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# CILLETT\&JOHNSTON CROYDON, Surrey. BELLS, CLOCKS, CARILLONS. 



## St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton.

## Tenor ( 33 owt .) of the New Ring of 12.

WULFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON, MESSRS, GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON, 4th Marah, 1012. dentlemen,

The re-asting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two 10. ones in the tower of St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, revently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given feneral satisfaction.

I an authorised by tioe Roctor and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to sudge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Youre faithtully. F. T. BECK,

Architeot, Diccesas Survoyor.

## PEAL RINGING EXTRAORDINARY.

The year 1912 proved, indeed, a record year for peal ringing, and while there are still some few records to come in of performances completed before midnight on Tuesday, there is information enough now available to get a fairly accurate idea of the prodigious amount of peal ringing that was accomplished. In the limited space at our disposal this week we can do little but give figures which will show what has been done-indeed they are so striking as to need little or no comment.

Probably the question uppermost in the minds of many peal ringers is: Who will head the Analysis? At the moment it is impossible to say-so close is the relative position of two of the associations-but it rests between Norwich and Middlesex, who, on points, are running neck and neck, but well awray from the rest. Indeed it is not unlikely that these two societies, who in igI were third and second respectively with less than 2,400 points, may top 4,000. After these two, Winchester and Midland Counties are well up.

With the reports which appear in this issue, we have recorded in "The Ringing World" well over 2,200 peals rung during 1912, so that it is not unlikely that the record aggregate of $\mathrm{I}, 739$ in 19II may be beaten by no less than 500 . In the first year of tabulated returns ( I 88 r ) only r 56 peals were rung. In 1882 there were 224; in 1892 802; and in 19021,313 , so that in the last ten years the total for twelve months has been increased by about a thousand. Of this year's total about 300 have been rung on handbells, showing the great advance which has been made in this direction.
Among the individual performances of the year may be noted the two long peals of Bristol Surprise, the I , I bo at Knebworth on Easter Monday, and the ${ }^{1} 5,264$ at Hornchurch on Whit-Monday, the latter giving the Surprise record to the Middlesex Association. Then there have been the two record handbell peals of Stedman Caters at Guildford, the $\mathrm{I}_{4}, \mathrm{O} \mathrm{I}^{1}$ on June rst, followed by 19,738 on August 31st, and constituting the largest number of changes ever rung by one set of men.

Among ringers who have made big scores, there are, in addition to Mr. A. W. Grimes, who heads the list with 114 for the year, the following, who have rung over 40 peals : Messrs. B. Prewett 100, A. H. Pulling 94, E. Pye 74, F. Bennett 7I, F. Hairs 69, W. Pye 67, J. E. Davis 57. J. Hunt 55, W. Shepherd 54, K. Hart 54, M. Smither 52, R. Sanders 52, F. Blondell 50, G. R. Pye 47, and G. Williams 4 I. Mr. E. M. Atkins has also rung close on 60 peals. Mr. Pulling again heads the list of conductors with 90 , while among those who have called 20 or over are
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## CHARLES CARR,



## OPINION OF OUR

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I have great pleasure in stating that weare perfectly satisfled with the manner in which you have carried out the work entrusted to you of re-arranging and re-hangint the Broomfield Charch Bells.
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Yours truly,
CHAS. EDMUNDS, Vicar of Broomfeld. Messrs. C. CARR, LTD.

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[^0]Messrs. W. Pye 5I, F. Bennett 47, B. Prewett 34, W. Shepherd 33, G. Williams 33, K. Hart 32, C. F. Bailey 26, C. Glenn 24, and E. M. Atkins 20.

Another feature of the year has been the part which the ladies have played in peal ringing. There was their own peal at Cubitt Town on July 2oth, and quite a large number have figured in other peal performances. Miss Parker has rung no fewer than 35 (eleven of them on handbells), of which she conducted 17, and Miss Elsie Bennett has rung 27 on handbells. The figures for the year are truly remarkable.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

## BIRMINGHAM.

S'T. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE: DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;
Tenor $36 \mathrm{cwt}$. , in C .
Miss Edith K. Parker ...Treble Thomas H. Reeves ... 7
Thomas Russam... ... ... 2 James Parker ... ... ... 8
Frederick Dickens ... ... 3 Samuel Grove ... ... 9
Albert Walker... ... ... 4 Alf Paddon Smith... ... 10
Thomas Miller... $. . . \quad . . \quad 5 \quad 5 \quad$ James E. Groves ......
James L. Wells ... ... 6 John Neal... ...
Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and
Conducted by Miss Edith K. Parker.
This is the first peal of Steadman Cinques in which a lady has taken part and Miss Parker received the hearty congratulations, not only of those taking part in the peal, but of a very large number of ringers and their wives who heard the greater part of the ringing.

NORWICH.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Three Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter Mancroft,
A PEAL OF BOB MAXIMUS, 5016 CHANGES;
Tenor 43 cwt . I qr. I8 lbs.
Charles E. Borrett ...Tyeble Denison Hayward... ... 7
George P. Burton... ... 2 *William Rose... ... ... 8
John E. Burton ... ... 3 Frederick Day ... ... 9
Frederick R. Borrett... 4 Ernest F. Poppy ... ... io
*Edwin Whiting ... ... 5 John Sodter ... ... ... in
*Frederick J. Roope ... 6 William Steele ... ... Teno
Composed by J. A. Trollope, and Conducted by C. E. Borrett.

* First peal on twelve bells. First peal of Bob Maximus on the bells.


## LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Thrce Hours and Fifly-six Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of St. Saviour, Southwark,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN GINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;
Tenor 50 cwt .

| Challis F. Winney... | ...Treble | Arthur D. Barker $\cdots$.. 7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thomas H. Taffender | 2 | Francis E. Dawe ... ... 8 |
| Thomas Faulkner | 3 | $\dagger$ Thos. Groombridge, Junr. 9 |
| Walter S. Wise | 4 | Charles S. Burden ... 10 |
| *Lodis Attwater | 5 | Thos. Groombridge, Sent. II |
| Frederick J. Hardy | 6 | Alfred 13. Peck ... ... Tenor |
| Composed by Conducted | Charles by Tном | H. Hattersley, and as H. Taffender. |
| * First peal on 12 tower | bells. | First peal on 12 bells. |

## TEN BELL PEALS.

BiRISTOL THE ST. NICHOLAS' GUIID. On Tussday, Decenber 17, 1912, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5053 CHANGES;

 Tenor 36 cwt .| Fred G. May | Treble | Wilifam White |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alfred E. Reeves . | 2 | Henry B. Burt |
| Albert Stowell | - 3 | Gilbert Wiltshire |
| Frederick W. Wade | .. 4 | Isaac Long | Frederick W. Wade ... 4 Composed and Conducted by Fred G. May.

This peal was rung as a farewell to the Rev. Vernon Holt, Vicar of St. Nicholas, who has exchanged livings with the Rev. T. J. Bower, of Tormarton, near Badminton, Gloucestershire.

A:HTON-UNDER-LYNE.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY
On Saturday, December 21, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirty-fice Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5120 CHANGES;

 Tenor 27 cwt.

Composed and Condusted by Samurl Wood.

## HULL.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursduy, December 26, 1912, in Three Hours and Tucnty-threc Minutes, At the Chorch of Holy Trinity.
A Peal of grandsire caters, 5003 chanees;
Tenor 25 cwt . 2 qr . 18 lbs .
*Francis Dale.
...Treble | Arthur Gill Alfred Naylor Arthur Walker Albert Fearnley ... Edifard Rickitt

Charles Jackson
Thomas Hagh ..
*Leonard Rodmill
George Hare ..

Composed aud Conducted by C. Jackson.

* First peal of Caters. Rung as a complimentary peal to Mr. Arthur E. West Sutton (an esteemed member of the Association) in honour of his marriage to Miss Clara Amy Tottle, the ringers wishing them both much happiness.

WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Thersday, December 26, 1912, in Threc Hours and Fice Minuter, At the Church of St. Matthew,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES;
Tenor 24 cwt .

George Peate
William Goodman
William Rock Small Christopher Wallater John Goodman, Senr.
.Treble - Bert Horton 2 Edgar T. Smith Benjamin Gough Harry Goodman Harry Goodman...
John Goodman, Jumr. Composed by the late William Micklewright, and Conducted by Joan Goodman, Junr.
First peal of Caters. Rung on the Festival of St. John, and as a birthday compliment to Mr. Christopher Wallater; also as a welcome to Bert Horton who was visiting his native town--Wednesbury. William Goodman was proposed a member of the above Society and Bert Horton as a member of the above Guild previous to starting for the peal. The ringers of 2 nd, 5 th, 8 th and tenor belong to Dudley; 3rd to Tipton; treble and $;$ th to Walsall; 4 th to Willenhall; 8th to Coseley; and Gth to St. Mattheev's, Clapton, London.

CANTERBURY, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minules,
At Christ Church Cathedral,
A PEAL OF Stedman caters, 5041 changes;
Tenor 30 cwt .
 Henry G Fairbrass
Wenry G. Fatrbrass
William E. Pitman ... ... 3 | Willlam Hewbeti ... ...
Frank Bennett
6
 7
5
Charles A. Leman ... ... 4 Charles W. Brett ... 9
J. Armiger Trollope ... 5 Charles W. Player ...Tenor

Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by Frank Bennett.

## LONDON

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Suturday, Decenber 28, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirty Minntes, At the Church of St. Margaret, Westminster,
A PEAL OF CAMbride SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;
Tenor $26 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

 | Frank Bennett... | .. | .. | 4 | Alfred W. Grimes | $\ldots$ | 9 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Bertram Prewett | ... | ... | 5 | William Pye | ... | .. | .. |
| Tillo |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by William Pye.

*First peal of Royal in the method.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

ANSTEY, NEAR LEICESTER.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 14, 1912, in Three Hours and Five Minats, At the Chlrch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 Changes ;

Miss Lilian A. Willson...Tyeble !
Edgar Vallayge
Alec Bramley
Edward Jackson...
Albert Mason ... ... 5 Edward Norman... T. Henry Hardy ... ... 7 William Willson... $\ldots$... Tinor Conducted by William Willson.
Rung as a welcome home to Edward Jachson on his return from Saskatchewan, Vestern Canada.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, December 16, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty two Minuies, At the Church of St I'eter,
a peal of stedpan triples, 5040 Changes ;
Thurstans' Four-Part.
Willian C. Hart ..Treble
John Capp ... ... ... ... 2 Bert Challen ...... Arthor W. Gravett Philip Allfrey..

| Keith Hart | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Traviton Tefferey |  |  |  |

Conducted by Keith Hart.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE,

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Wedncslay, Dectuber 18, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-threc Minntes, At the Bell Fodndry Tower,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAM TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

Tenor $6 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.


Rung as a birthday compliment to G. Freebrey. It was his first peal in the method. Wm. Trigg hails from Standford-on-Soar, and Messrs. Pagett, Draper and Freebrey from Derby.

HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, December 18, 1912, in Tro Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of the Holy Trinity

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHAMGES;

Thorstans' Four-Part.
John Capp ... ... ... ...Treble George Ades ... ... ... 5 Williami C. Hart ... ... 2 Bert Challen... ... ... 6 Frederick Prot lerough 3 lieith Hart ... ... ... 7 Philip Allfrey ......$\quad$... 4 William Stenning... ...Tenor Conducted by Keith Hart.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, December 18, 1912, in Teo Hours and Fifty Minures, At the Church of St. Heleni,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGEE:

A Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 17 civt. Hugh W. Gregory... ...Treble James L. Wright ... ... 5 Alfred C. Wright... ... 2 Edin Blackwall ... ... 6 | Henry Gregory | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | William Taylor | $\ldots$ | .. | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Thomas White | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Samuel G. Wragg | ... | $\ldots$ | Tenor |

Conducted by W. Taylor

* First peal


## DORKING, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurstay, December 19, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin.
a PEAL of crandsirs triples, 5040 changes;
Holt's Ten-Part. Tenor 25 cwt., in D.
Ediward E. Dodd ... ...Treble Arthur C. Othay Henry Boxall Alfred H. Winch
 John H. White ... ... 7 William Lynch ... ...Tenor

Conducted by J. H. White.
Rung on the occasion of the laying of the foundation stone of the new south chapel by the Bishop of Guildford; also as a birthday compliment to A. C. Otway and on the anniversary of the conductor's wedding.

OLD WINDSOR, BERKS
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(East Berks and South Bucks Branch.)
On Suturday, December 21, 1912, in Tiuo Hours and Forty-sir Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor it cwt. 2 qqr. 2 l lbs. Frederick J. Guttridge...Tidble Arthur W. G. Blake .. William H. Fussell .. 2 -George H. Gutteridge Joseph Guttridge, Senr.... 3 William Welling... ... 7 Joseph Guttridge, Junr. 4 Frederick Guttridge ...Tenor

Conducted by G. H. Gutteridge.

* First peal of Triples as conductor. Rung on St. Thomas' Day and the eve of the 22nd anniversary of the opening of the bells; also on the occasion of the 78th birthday of the Very Reverend the Dean of Windsor, a vice-president of the Guild. The ringers of the 3rd and tenor are brothers; the ringers of the treble and 4 th are sons of the ringer of the 3rd, and this was the first occasion upon which they had taken part in a peal together.


## BURNLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 21, 1912, in Turo Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.


## LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Decenber 21, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minates. At the Church of St. Laurence,
A PEAL OF STED\&AN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Heywood's No. I. Tenor 103 cwt.


Conducted by Albert H. Ward.
Rung, with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to Mr. J. W. Chambers, an esteemed member of the above Church, and late churchwarden.

PORT SUNLIGHT, CHESHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 21, 1912, in Threc Hours and One Minute. At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGE8; Tenor 15 cwt .
Thomas Jennion … ...Treble $\mid \underset{\text { Ghemas Murray }}{\text { Ther }}$... ... 5

Walter Hughes ... ... 2 George R. Newton ... 6 | George Woodhall | $\ldots$ | 3 | John Turner ... | ... | ... 7 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| - Edwin Brezze... | ... | ... | 4 | Edward Caunce | ... | ...Tenor |

Composed by Arthur Kinights, and
Conducted by George R. Newton.
*First peal in the method. Also first in the method on the bells.

SOUTHOVER, I.EWES, SUSSEX the sussex county association.
On Saturday, December 21, 1912, in Tiio Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Joinn the Baptist,
A PEAL OF STEDHAK TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES ; Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor iy ${ }^{3}$ cwt.
Arthur W. Gravett... ...Tyeble $\mid$ George Ades ... ... ... 5 John Capp ... ... ... ... 2 Albert D. Stone ... ... 6 Frederick Protherough... 3 Keith Hart ... ... ... 7 Philip Allfrey ......$\quad$... 4 Alfred J. Turner... ... Teroz Conducted by Keitil Hart.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE THE MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Deconber 21, 1912, in Three IIours and Two Minetes. A PEAL OF STEDMAH TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES; Thurstans' Four-Part.
John Hough ... ... ... ...Treble
John H. Swinfield
William William W. Worthington 4 . Wosebh Griffle $\cdots \cdots{ }^{7}$ Conducted by Joseph Grifyin.

* First peal in the method. Rung on St. Thomas' Day.

BARTHOMLEY, CHESHIRE. THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, December 21, 1912, in Two Howrs and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Bertholine,
a peal of crandsime triples, 5040 changes; Holt's Ten-l'art. Tenor i4t cwt., in E.

## John Sherratt ... ... ...Treble | Thomas Cartwright ... 5

 Richard T. Holding, Junt. 2 Arthur Allman ... ... 6 William Cartwright ... 3 Richard T. Holding, Senr. 7 John Bassington ... ... 4 John Aniers ... ... ... Tenoy Conducted by Richard T. Holding, Semr.Rung as a birthclay compliment to the Rev. G. W. Skene (Rector).

PENDLEBURX, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASIIIRE ASSOCIATIUN.
On Suturday, December 21, 1912, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
George Pincott ... ...Treble | Robert Wallwork... ... 5 FRED Abbot... Thomas Worsley ......$\quad 3 \quad$ John Potter ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 7$ *John Welsby ... ... .... 4 John Edge... ... ... ... Tenor Conducted by John Potter.

* 50 th peal by J. Welsby. First peal of Stedman on the bells, which were opened in 1868.


## STOKE, COVENTRY.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, December 21, 1912, in Two Honrs and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Micharl,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE ; Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

| Frank E. Pervin | $\ldots$. | .. Treble | William H. Brunsdon... | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Pryce... | $\ldots$ | .. | 2 | Adolphos Roberts... | .. |


| William Pryce ... | $\ldots$ | .. | 2 | Adolphos Roberts... | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Oswald J. Hont | 6 |  |  |  |  | Edward H. Johnson ... 4 Charles Freeman ... ...Tenor Conducted by Joseph H. White.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 2nd. This is his first peal with a bob bell ; also the first in the method.

TYLDESLEY, LANCASHIRE.
THE I,ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, December 21, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. George,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Aspinwall's Six Part.
Tenor mi ${ }^{\text {巻cwt., in } G \text {. }}$
*Harry Allred ... ... ...Treble Joseph Ridyard... William Tebay Joseph Gregory

Conducted by ${ }^{W}$ ili

* First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal in the method with a bob bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Crook. Quickest peal on the bells.

TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD, AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD
(C.E.M.S. Peal.)

On Monday, December 23, 1912, in Three Hours and Tïo Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGEs; Holt's Original.

Tenor $12 \neq \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Howard P. Smith ... ...Treble William R. Small.
Samoel Pearce
Bexjemin Gough
… … 4

HORLEY, SURREY.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, December 25, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES; Holt's Ten-Part.


* First peal away from the tenor. This peal was rung for the 6.30 service on Christmas morning.


## GREAT BADDOW, ESSEX.

 THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 13 cwt.
 Harry Bush ... ..... .4 4 Alfred Richell ... .... Tenos Composed by the Rev. E. Bankes James, and Conducted by Fienry F. Cooper.

## DERBY

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 28 cwt .

James Pagett ... ... ...Tyeble Joseph Dyke ... ... ... 5 George Basson ...... | John H. Swinfield | .. | ... | 3 | Fdmund Willis | .. | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Albert H. Ward | 7 | ... | 4 | Walter Wallace ... | ... Tenor |  | Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by James Pagett.

First peal of Stedman on the bells; also the quichest peal on the bells. The ringers of the 3 rd and 5 th hail from Burton-on-Trent; the 6 th from Duffield; the rest belong to the local band.

Name of church not mentioned.-ED.

## FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK,

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Dicember 26, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes. At the Chlikeh of St. Maky,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES ;
John Hali ... ... ... ...Treble | William G. Crickmer ... 5
Leslie Wightman ... ... 2 William Wightman ... 6
George A. Wightman ... 3 William Burgess ... ... 7
George Wightman ... ... 4 Alfred S. Wightman ....Tenor Composed by J. Reeves, and Conducted by W. G. Chickmer.

## BARNET, HERTS.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, Dccember 26, 1912, in Threc Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-Part.
Robert Roffey ... ...Tieble William Childs ... ... 2

| William Childs | $\ldots$ | .. | 2 | Charles J. Tricker | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frank A. Milne | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | John Armstrong | ... |

*Henry Burlingham ... 4 Walter Soer ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by John Armstrong.

* First peal of Grandsire ; also his first peal for 15 years. This is the first peal on the bells since being rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, the " go " of the bells being all that can possibly be desired.


## GRIMSBY

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Northern Branch.)
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Three Hours and Tico Minutes, At the Church ofr St. Andrew,
A PEAL Of CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Parker's One-Part. Tenor i53 cwt.
George Snell ... ... ...Treble
Harold Rushby ... ... 2
William H. Heyhoe ... 3
Thomas Fitzjohn conducted by J
Percy C. Long ... ...
John W. Seamer ... ... 6
*Walter Ayre ... ... ... 7 Arthur B. Shepherd ...Tenor W. Seamer.

* First peal in the method. Arranged for T. FitzJohn and W. Ayre.


## LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 20, 1912, in Three Hours and Sixtcen Minutes, On the Royal Memorial Bells of St. John the Divine,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 GHANGES; Tenor 2I cwt., in E.

* Miss Hilda F. Willson Treble Miss Lilian A. Willson 2 E. Maurice Atkins ... 3 Albert Mason... ... ... 4 $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Thomas W. Chapman } & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { Edward Jackson } & \ldots & \ldots & 6 \\ \text { T. Henry Hardy } & \ldots & \cdots & 7\end{array}$ Albert Mason. William Willson ... ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by William Willson.
* First peal of Major and first attempt.

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Threc Hours and One Minute, At the Church of St. Stephen, Eastwood,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGE8;
Tenor ins $\frac{3}{2}$ cwt., in $G$
John H. Brothwell...

...Treble $\mid \ddagger$ $\ddagger$ John W. J. Cottam $\dagger$ William E. Unstead 2 Samuel Wesley 3 SArthur Hague *Arthur Whitworth... ... 3 | 5 |
| :--- |
| 6 | $\dagger$ Wilfred Lloid Composed by George Lewis, and Conducted by Clement Glenn.

* First peal. †First peal in the method. $\ddagger$ First peal of Major. First tower peal of Major. Rung on the Patronal Festival of the Church.


## PENDLETON

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Decomber 26, 1912, in Two FIours and Fifty-five Minates, At the Chirch of St. Thomas,
A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE ;
Tenor 18 cwt. in E .


* First peal of Stedman Triples. This peal has $906-7$ 's at back stroke. The company take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Trippier for entertaining them after the peal.

MARKET HARBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (Leicester Branch.)
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Dianysius,
A PEAL Of dOUble norwich court bob major, 5280 changes;
Tenor is cwt.

| P.C. Harold G. Jenney...Treble | Arthur Pettir | - 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Samuel Cotion ... ... ... 2 | Ernest Morris |  |
| Louis E. Allen... | Charles H. Fowler | ... 7 |
| Fred H. Dexter | Fred Wilford ... ... | Teno |
| Composed by FR | H. Dexter, and |  |
| Conducted by C | es H. Fowler. |  |
| First peal of Double Norwic is Fred H. Dexter's 50th peal. | in Market Harboro | This |


Composed by Arthor Knights, and
Conducted by Bertram Prewett.
First peal in the method on the bells.

## NOTTINGHAM

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCE8;
Tenor 2 I cwt.

| Joseph Woolley | Treble | Arthur Knights |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Albert Coppock | ... 2 | Ernest J. Oliver |
| Herbert Day |  | George Thompson |
| Neville Widdowso | N ... 4 | Benjamin d. Knigh |

Composed by Arthur Knights, and
Conducted by Benjamin A. Knights.
Quickest peal on the bells.
ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 17 cwt. o qrs. 9 lbs., in E.
Isaac Hufton ... ... ...Tyeble Richard Drage ... ... 5
William Thornley ... ... 2 *Charles Wilkinson ... 6

Arthur Freeman ... ... 4 | Henry Fletcher ... ... Tenor
Composed and Conducted by E. C. Gobey.

* First peal on eight bells.

PORTMADOC, CARNARVONSHIRE.
THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-sicen Minutes, At the Church of St. John,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Parker's Twelve-Part.

Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

- Jack McMillan ... ...Tyeble
* Harry McMillan
.Tyeble
Rev. Cadwaladar Williams3
- Jack Parsons
$\begin{array}{lll}\ldots & \ldots & 4 \\ \text { Conducted by John Owen }\end{array}$
* First peal of Triples. $\dagger$ First peal with a bob bell. First peal of Triples as conductor. Rung with the bells deeply muffled as a last tribute of respect to the late Mr . F. S. Percival, donor of the tower and bells, and Vice-President of the North Wales Association.


## BUXTED, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Decenber 26, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF dOUble NORWICH COURT bOB MAJOR, 5024 Chances;


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## UCKFIELD, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of the Holy Cross,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Thurstans' Foor-Part. Tenor 12 cwt. George H. Howse ... ...Tveble George Ades ... ... ... 5 James Livermore, Junt. ... 2 Bert Challen ... ... 6 Albert Harman ... ... ... 3 Keith Hart ... ... ... 7 Oliver Sippetts... ... ... 4 Alfred J. Turner ...Tehoy Conducted by Keith Hart.
The above ringers represent eight towers in the association.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, December 27, 1912, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Church of St. Margaret,

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

 Tenor 20끈 cwt., in E.| Allen F. Bailey ... ...Treble | Edgar H. Bailey |
| :---: | :---: |
| Frederick W. Bailey ... 2 | Lewis W. Wiffen |
| James M. Bailey | Charles Samson | James M. Bailey ... ... 3 Charles Samson ... ... 7 Ernest S. Bailey ... ... 4 Charles F. Bailey ...Tenor Composed by Chas. Middleton, and Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.

* First peal in the method and first attempt. Arranged for L. W. Wiffen, of Weymouth, who was spending a holiday in the district. The tenor at Leiston has just been rehung by Mr. F. Day, of Eye, and great credit is due to him for the excellent manner in which he has carried out his work.

FELTHAM, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, December 27, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Catherine,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES ;

Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor II cwt. 2 qr. ig lbs.
William Shepherd ... ...Tveble Joseph J. Pratt...... William Welling... ... 6 Bertram Prewett ... ... 4 George Spencer $\quad . .$. Conducted by Bertram Prewett.
Rung on the anniversary of the dedication of the bells.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKS
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, December 27, 1912, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB BAJOR, 5040 CHANGES ; Tenor $12 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
William A. Garraway ...Tyoble $\mid$ Ernest C. Lambert ... 5
William H. Fussell ... 2 John Evans ... ... ... 6
Jesse Eldridge ... ... 3 George Allder $\quad . .$.
Harry Bungay... ... ... 4 George Martin ... ...Tenor
Composed by G. Lindoff, and
Conducted by George Marin.
First peal in the method
W'ALKDEN, LANCASHIRE
TIE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, December 28, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Paul,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 GHANGES; Tenor $13 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| *George | Pincott | ...Treble | John Welsby | $\cdots$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Robert | Wallwork | ... 2 | Titus Barlow |  |  |  |
| Thomas | Wallivork | ... 3 | John Potter | $\ldots$ |  |  |
| Alfred | Potter | .. 4 | Joseph Ridyard | ... |  |  |
|  | Composed | by J. W | Washbrook, and |  |  |  |
|  | Con | cted by | hn Potter. |  |  |  |

* First peal in the method.


## LONDON

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, December 28, 1912, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At the Chorch of All IIallows', Tottenham,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Davies' Five-Part
*F. Roper

| F. Conn | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Chas. Button ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| F. | ........ | 4 | C. Mardell | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Tenor |  | Conducted by G. B. Locas, Senr.

* First peal. Barnard Patmore was elected a member before starting.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Satiuday, December 28, 1912, in Tivo Hours and Forly-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES; Thorstans' Four-Part. Tenor i6 $\frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
 John Capp ... ... ... ... 2 Albert D. Stone ... ... 6 Charles Palmer ... ... 3 | Keith Hart ... ... ... 7
 Conducted by Keith Hart.

BURNHAM, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday', December 28, 1912, in Two Honrs and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 16 cwt .
*George H. Gutteridge...Tieble | *William Welling ... ... 5
*William A. Garraway... 2 Jesse Eldridge ... ... 6
†Herbert Cox ... ... .. 3 George Martin ... ... 7
*Joseph J. Parker ... ... 4 *George Allder ... ...Tenor Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by George Martin.

* First Surprise peal. + First in the method away from treble. First Surprise peal on the bells.


## BELGRAVE, LEICESTER

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Decenber 28, 1912, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Ceurch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

G. Walder's Variation of J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

Arthur J. Ballard ... ... Dick Iliffe...

Conducted by Ernest Morris
Rung as a compliment to Charles Hubbard, who reached his 69th birthday on January ist.

SEDGLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD. On Saturday, December 28, 1912, in Three Hours and Elewen Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

 Tenor I6 $\ddagger$ cwt.| *Frederick Evans | $\ldots$ | .. Treble | Benjamin Gough... | .. | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Samuel Pearce | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | John Goodman, Senr. | .. |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |  |

$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Samuel Pearce } & \cdots & \cdots & 2 \\ \text { *Thomas Griffiths } & . . & \cdots & 3\end{array}$ William Mills $\quad . .$.
†Herbert Sheppard... ... 4 Juhn Goodman, Junr. ... Tehor Composed by H. Hobbard, and Conducted by John Goodman, Jumr.

* First peal of Bob Major. $\dagger$ First peal of Bob Major with a working bell. First peal of Bob Major as conductor. Rung on Holy Innocents' Day.


This was $F$. Blondell's 50 th peal this year.

## BEESTON, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 28, 1912, in Thrce Hours and Eightecn Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SUSpTISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES; Tenor 1933 cwt.

| *Neville Widdowson ...Treble | Arther Lowe ... |
| :---: | :---: |
| Albert Coppock ... ... 2 | William Clifford, Junr. 6 |
| William Clifford, Sent. 3 | J. Charles Dicken... ... |
| Frederick S. Price | Percival Price ... ... Tenor |

* First peal in the method.


## SIX 8 FIVE BELL PEALS.

BLAXHALL, SUFFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Deember 10, 1912, in Tuio Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being three $720^{\prime}$ 's and 360 of Oxford Treble Bob, and three 720 's and 360 of Bob Minor.
Ernest Hammond ... ...Tyeble Alfred Ling ... ... ... 4 William Sawyer $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Henry Puttock $\quad . .$. Alderman Linfs... ... ... 3 James Wardley ... ...Tenor Conducted by Henry Pottock.

## HOUGH-ON-THE-HILL, LINCOLNSHIRE. <br> THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Tucsday, December 17, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty'fivo Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints, <br> A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Single Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 15 cwt .

 | John H. Haynes | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Arthur Drdry ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Arthur Mackears | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Sidney Whaley | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Tenor | Conducted by Arthur Mackears.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.
BIDSTON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Wirral Branch.)
On Wednesday, December 18, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Oswald,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being one 720 of Kent and three each of Canterbury and Plain Bob. Tenor 5 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lbs .

| Robt. Swinchatt | $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ Treble | Charles Rimmer | $\ldots$ | .. | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Charles E. Wilcox | $\ldots$ | 2 | William Wilcox | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 5 | Harold Rogers $\ldots$.. ... 3 Smith Wood ... ... ...tenor Conducted by W. Wilcox.

Rung as a birthday compliment to R. Swinchatt. It was his first peal. First peal on an inside bell by C. E. Wilcox.

CODDINGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HIEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, December 20, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES:
Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford and INent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor in $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
*Chris, Bowers ... ... ...Treble | Charles Weobley ... 4
Andrew Layton $\quad . .$.
Charles Layton ... ... 3 | George Jordan ... ...Tenor Conducted by Charles Layton.

* First peal. First peal on the bells since being rehung by Messrs. Taylor d Co., of Loughborough. The band wish, through "The Ringing World," to thank the Rector (Canon Bulkeley) for the use of the bells.

ICKLETON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
On Saturday, December 27, 1912, in Threc Hours and Twenty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalen,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being five 720's of Oxford Bob and two 720's of Plain Bob, each 720 called differently. Tenor i8 cwt., in E.
Percy Webb ... ... ...Tveble Jesse Webb ...
*Herbert Carder....
Eustace Webb... ... ... 3 |Arthur G. Lilley ... ...Tenor Conducted by Percy Webb.

* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor by a local band on the bells. Rung as a wedding peal for Mr. W. Carder, one of the local company.


## EAST HARLING, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 2T, 1912, in Tro Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Consisting of seven 720 's each called differently.

| *William Duncan... | .. Tveble | Alfred Neivson ... ... | 4 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thomas FitzJohn | ... | ... | 2 | Frederick C. Burrows... | 5 | | Thomas FitzJohn | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Frederick C. Burrows... | 4 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sidney Annision | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | Charles Carter | $\ldots$ | ... | Tenor | Conducted by F. C. Burrows.

* First peal. First peal on the bells which have just recently been rehung by Messrs. Taylor and Co., the "go" being splendid.


## LEADENHAM.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, December 21, 1912, in Three Hours and Finurten Minutes, At the Church of St. Swithin,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 720 Double Court, two 720's of Single Court, two 720's of Oxford Bob and two 720 's of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. o qr. 9 lbs.
Richard W. Porter ...Tyeble Joseph North ... .... ... 4
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Charles W. Else ... } & \ldots & 2 \\ \text { Charles W. Baines... } & \text { George Scott ... } & . . . & . . . \\ 5\end{array}$ Charles W. Baines... ... 3 Caleb L. Simcock ... ...Tenor Conducted by George Scott.

BARROWBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUIID.
On Suturday, December 21, 1912, in Three Hours,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Oxford Treble 13ob, Kent Treble 13ob, Double
Court, Single Court, St. Clement's, Single Oxford and Plain 13ol). Tenor inis cwt.
Archie C. Stokes ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ Reginald Scott $\quad . . . \quad$... 4
Rev. C. J. Sturton ... 2 Arthur l'almer ... ... 5
 Conducterl by Joseph Lord.
First peal in 7 methods as conductor.

TRULL, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Decenber 21, 1912, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;

Being seven 720's. Tenor $15 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

*E. J. Boli...... Conducted by P. Merson.

* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor on the bells.

BRUTON, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 21, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## a Peal of grandsire doublej, 5040 changes;

 Conducted by E. F. Creed.

* First peal. First peal on the bells. The ringers of the 2nd and 4th belong to Bruton, treble and 5th to Castle Cary, 3rd and tenor ito Ditcheat.


## BEDFIELD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wedreslay, December 25, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 of Oxford Treble Bob, two 720's of College Single, two 720's of Oxford Bob and two 720's of Plain Bob.
'Charles Fred Ling ... ...Tyeble | Harry Hall ... ... ... 4 William G. Crickmer ... 2 | James Barber... ... ... ${ }_{5}$ John Hall ... ... ... ... 3 | William Burgess ... ...Teno Conducted by W. G. Crichmer.
This is the conductor's rooth peal.

## GESTINGTHORPE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, Decmber 26, 1912, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GINOR, 5040 GHANGES:

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt .
Frederick Hawkins... Harry Cansell - Olave Broyd
...Tyeble ...Tyeble 3 Walter Nice ... 3 Walter Nice

The ringer of the Treble was elected a member previous to starting for the peal.

## LINCOLN.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Northern Branch.)
On Thurslay, December 26, 1912, in Tüo Hours and Forty-three Minute', At the Church of St. Botolph,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Being 42 Six-Scores called differently. Tenor 7 星 cwt.
-George Chester ... ...Troble *George Crompton ... ... 3 James S. Betts... ... ... 2 William Clarke ... ... 4

Richard T. Sharpe... ... ...Tenor Conducted by James S. Betts.

* First peal. First peal on the bells. First peal of Doubles by the swhole band and by the Northern Branch. Rung on the r3th anniversary of G. Crompton's wedding. The ringer's wish, through the umedium of "The Ringing World," to thank Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Sharpe who kindly entertained them to lunch after the peal.

WESTON, BATH, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

 (St. Michael's Guild, Bath.)On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minuites, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720 's each called differently. Tenor 15 cwt .
William H. Seers ... ...Treble | Albert E. Seers ... ... 4 Thomas Hogsflesh ... ... 2 | Richard J. Cousins ... 5 Albert E. Alexander ... 3 | Charles Densley ... ...Tenor Conducted by albert E. Seers.
Rung as a birthday compliment to W. H. Seers and C. Goodenough, also to Mrs. A. E. Alexander.

## ARBORFIELD, BERKS. <br> THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> (Sonning Deanery Branch.)

On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Bartholomew.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

Tenor II cwt. 2 qr .24 lbs.
*Harold Hale ... ... ...Treble
†Joseph White .
Albert Pierce... Harry Bungay... ... ... 4 Ernest C. Lambert $\quad . . .5$ Joun Rance ... ... ...Tenoy

Conducted by J. Rance.

* First peal. † First peal in three methods. First peal on the bells, which were recently rehung in a new iron frame by Messrs. Webb \& Bennett, and " go' splendidly.

WALLASEY, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, Decenter 26, 1912, in Three Hours and Sevon Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 16 cwt 2 qr ., in E.

| •John A. TVebster | ... | $\ldots$ Treble | George R. Newton | .. | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| -Stanley H. Griffin | $\ldots$ | 2 | James R. Griffin ... | ... | 5 |

 Conducted by George R. Newton.

* First peal. The band desire to thank Mr. W. Webster for his generous hospitality at the conclusion of the peal.


## THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Deciember 26, 1912. in Five Hours and Ten Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB BiNOR, 10,080 GHANGES
Being 720 each of Cambridge and Norwich Surprise, London, Burton, City Delight, College Pleasure, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Duke of York, Violet, New London Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford,
Cbarles Nunn ... ... ...Tieble Alpheus J. Berry ... ... 4 Edward Youngs ... ... 2 Leonard Last ... ... ... 5 William Clover ... ... 3 George Cattermole ...Tenor Conducted by G. Cattermole.
First peal in It Treble Bob methods by the Norwich Diocesan Association, on the bells, and by all the band.

CALVERTON, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Nortil Bocks Branch.)
On Friday, December 27, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Cherch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven $7^{20}$ 's each called differently. Tenor in cwt.
James Tompkins ... ... ...Treble Walter W. Bonham ... 4 Cecil A. Valentine... ... 2 "Leonard A. Smith... ... 5 William G. Edwarls ... 3 Albert J. Green ... ...Tenor Conducted by Albert J. Green.

* First peal of Minor with a bo bell.


## DUSTON, NORTHANTS

THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Decomber 28, 1912, in Two Howrs and Fifty Minutes, At the Chlerch of St. Luke,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES:

Being 720 eacl of Double Oxford, Donble Court, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. Wilfred Sharpe $\qquad$ Thomas Law Frank Rollins Fred. Wilford $\quad . . . \quad . .$. Tchor Conducted by Fred. Wilford.

## LEA, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Northern Branch, Gainsborough District.)
On Saturday, December 28, 1912, in Thice Hours and Six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Helen,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR; 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt. Frederick G. W. Butler Truble John Charles Tinker ... 4 William Dickenson ... 2 | John Thomas Ladd... ... 5 Charles Henry Baker... 3 |*Herbert Torr ... ... ...Tinol Conducted by Fredk. G. W. Butler.
*First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells, and rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

KILLAMARSH, DERBYSHIRE.
THE YORISSHIRE ASSOCIATION
AND SHEFFIELD DISTRICT ASSOCIATION
On Salurday, Decmber 28, 1912, in Tia Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Giles,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE FINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of London, Wells, Beverley, Chester, Carlisle, York, and Durham.
*Fred Parr.. Tenor ind c . t .
W. H. Turton..

Charles Severn

| 4 |
| :---: |
| 5 |
| Tenor | Conducted by Charies Severn.

* First Surprise peal.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

ENFIELD, MIDDLESEX
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, Deccmber 19, 1912, in Two Hours and Täenty Minutes,
At 97. Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES
Groves' Variation Parker's Twelve-Part.
Miss Edith K. Parker I-2 John Thomas

- Vilby J. Hazell ... 3-4 | James Parker.

Conducted by John Thomas.

* First peal with two bob bells.


## PETERBOROUGH

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION
On Weduestay, December 25, 1912, in Two Hours,
At the Residence of J. Jotson,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES :

## Being 42 Six-Scores

## EORGE Jotson <br> Joun J. ... $\mathrm{I}^{\mathrm{I}-2} \mathbf{2}$ | John B. Hallifax

 Conducted by George Jutson.First handbell peal by all. First double-handed peal for the Association and rung at the first attempt.

## HARWICH, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Wednesday, December 25, 1912, in Two Hours and Four Minutes, At the Residence of Mr. Thomas Bernard,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Arthur T. Morris … $\mathrm{I}-2$ Thomas H. Bernard ${ }^{2}$... 5 - 6
George Thompson ... 3-4 Tower Taylor ... ... 7 -8 Composed by the late J. Reeves, and Conducted by A. T. Morris.
Rung to commemorate the anniversary of the wedding of Mr A. T. Morris.

## GUILDFORD; SURREY

THE WINCIESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, Deccmber 26, 1912, in Tho IVours and Forty'fico Minutes: In the Belfry of Holy Trinity Church,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN Caters, 5067 CHANGES;

Alfred H. Pulling ... I-2 | Maurice Smither... ... 5-6.

Thomas W. Kadrord … 9-Io
Composed by W. T. Elson, and Conducted by Alfred IH. Pulling. Umpire: Edward Raldon. Witness: A. J. Whiting.
This peal was arranged and rung as a farewell to Jaines Hunt, who, to the regret of all the ringers, has left Guildford for Londion.

## SHEFEIELD

THE YORKSIIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturduy, Decmber 28, 1912, in Two Hou's and Forty Minutcs, At 3i, Burgess Street,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;

| John Thorpe ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | I- 2 | George Lewis... | .. | $5-6$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Clement Glenn | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $3-4$ | Sidney |  |  | Clement Glenn ....... 3-4 Sidney E. Palmer ... 7 - 8. R. Wilfred Collier ... 9-Io

Composed and Conducted by George Lewis. Umpire: Tom O'Hara.
Witnesses: Jamrs Evinson and Thomas G. Sarel.
The above is G. Lewis and J. Thorpe's rooth peal, and also $G$. Lewis' first peal on ten bells as conductor.

The peal at Moulton recorded last week, was conducted by Rupert Richardson.
The ringer of the 2nd in the peal of Minor at Bobbing on Dec. 17th, was Harry Jewiss, not Jerviss.

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

SUTTON COLDFIELD.-Warwictrshire Guik..--On Nov. 10th, for evening szrvice, a quarter-peal of Stodman Triples, in 45 mins.: W Parr 1, A. Allsopp 2, J. Jeunings 3, C. Waithman (conductor) 4, B. Lendham 5, T. Bloore 6, George Roberts 7: J. Rejnolds 8. Rung in honour of the election of Major Fiddirn Green as Mayor of the Borough.
POOLE-On Sunday, Nov. 24th, at St. James' Church, 1260 Grandsire Triples: IL. Bloom 1, A. James 2, C. A. Lins 3, If. Baverstock 4. F. S. Case 5, F. W. Towusend (conductor) 6, II. James 7. C. W. Froud. 8. First quarter-peal by the local band.

SJJANSTED, ISSEX.-The Essex Association. - On Nov. 30th, a quar'ter-peal of Double Norwich Major (1248 changes): W. T. Prior 1, T. J. Watts 2, T. Jordan 3, N. J. Titstow 4, J. Luckey 5, i'. MI. Butlor 6, W. Watts 7, H. J. Tucker ( $\infty$ necuator) 8.

HAGJOURNE. BERKS.-On Dec. 4th, n quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: M. Bistiop 1, T. Fast, junr. (first quarter-peal), 2, A. Yates 3, J. Napper, junr., 4, T. East (conductor) 5, J. S. Nappre 6, R. G. Rice 7, W. Warwick 8.

BIEWPURY, BERKS-On Dec. 6th, 1036 Grandsire Triples: G. Welch 1, T. East (conductor) 2, E. Aldridge 3, A. Yates 4, G. F. Jamea 5, K. James 6, J. S. Napper 7, R. G. Rici: 8.
HARWELL, BBARES.-On Dec. 10th, 720 Bob Minor: If. C. Mulford 1, T. Ifughes 2, R. G. Rice (conductor) 3, V. R. ICitchman 4, G. C. Rice 5, $\mathfrak{V}^{\circ}$. Hitchman 5.
KING'S NOR'ION.-On Sunday, Nov. 24 th, on the occasion of the 84 th birthday of Mr. Frank Palmer, 868 Grandsire Triples: J. Betterton 1, Fred Sumner 2, A. Pritchett 3, F. Withers 4, T. Pritchett 5, W. Palmer 6, A. Chambers (conductor) 7, T. Bual Pritchett 8.-On Suriday, Dec. 1st, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: W. Dowding 1, W. Palmer 2, A. Pritchett 3, T. Pritchett 4, J. S. Pritchett 5, J. Withers 6, A. Charnbers (conductor) 7, W. Beal Pritelett 8.

WYDNES.-At St. Paul's Church, on Dec. 8 th, for evening service, 720 Oxford Bob Minor, on the middle six: $G$. Leather, junc., $1, A$. Carrington 2, J. A. Calland 3, R. Dagnall 4, R. Leather 5, G. Clews 6, F. J. ITancock (conductor) 7, A. IIartis 8.

LAMBERHURST. KTENT. - On D c. 8lh, for evening service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob: J. Tapp 1, A. Marshall 2, G. Fuller 3, W. Marshall 4, H. Price 5, A. Relfe (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method by all except II. Price, also first in the methed on the bells.

NORTH HAW, IIERTS.-On Dec. 3rd 720 Hob Hinor: T. Frencls 1, F. Bennett 2, J. Bryant 3, J. Roberts 4, G. Stevens 5, A. Jawrenco: (conductor) 6.

## AN AUSTRALIAN LAMENT.

## UNHAPPY STATE OF AFFAIRS IN MELBOURNE

## PROGRESS IN RINGING THWARTED.

## HOW A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS WAS LOST.

By the last mail two letters have reacher us from Australia, and they reveal a rather unhappy state of affajrs at Melbourne, where we, in lingland, thought change ringing was at any rate hoiding its own. The first communication is from Mr. C. Porter, of Sydney, who writes: I should like to give you a short account of a visit to Melbourne by some Sydney ringers. We formed a party of four, and safely arrived
in Melbourne on Saturday, November 2nd, after a long train journey, and were met by two ringers who kindly made arrangements for our accommodation. On Saturday night we met at St. Paul's Cathedral, and had our first difficulty. We had the pleasure of meeting Mr. $\mathbf{R}$. F. Deal, who attended at our request, and found to our surprise that ho was debarred from ringing with us by order of the Committee of St. Paul's Society.

On Sunday morning, we attended St. Patrick's, where we were heartily welcomed, and as no restrictions were in force there, we had a good ring together, and met again in the evening. On Monday night we went again to St. Pauls, When the so-called committee, seeing
that we would not ring unless Mr. Deal rang with us, called off the interdiction. So far so good.

Un 'Tuesdiay night we were the guests of St. Patrick's Society, who gave us a " smoke night," and arrangements were made then to attempt a peal of Caters on St. Paul's bells the next evening, and the bells were ostensibly placed at our disposal for that occosion by Mr. Guest, the captain of St. Paul's Society. Now mark the result. tried to get the best team available, and hunted up one or two ringers who we knew were safe men and competent to undertake a peal. Bafore starting we requested those who did not wish to stay in the tower to retire and then, under the conductorship of Mr. Deal, started for Grandsire Caters, the first attempt for a peal on ten bells in the Southern Hemisphere. Everything went smoothly for about half an hour, the striking being very good indeed for a band who had never practised together before, and was improving with every course. AN UNPLEASANT INCIDENT.
Suddenty a commotion was heard on the stairs, and Mr. Stocks, the vice-captails (may his $n$ me bs handed down to posterity) bounced across the belfry, and, getting behind the conductor, asked in a loud and raucous voice, "Who locked the door and kept the local ringers from entering the belfry," etc. Now, considering that this august personage was at the "smoke night," and knew all the arrangements, this "takes the bun." Well, we survived this ordeal, and the " wicecantain " having noisily departed, we continued to woll off the courses. Lut it was not to ba, for at the end of the 11th course, the 8th rope came down Now. I don't like to say anjthing I am not sure of, but if that rope was not cut my name is not Porter. I never saw a mora even break in my life, and at an "inquest" held on the defaulter, the opinion was unanimous.

We have had Mebourne ringers in Sydney, but we treated them far differently to this. If the St. Paul's " experts" wished to ring tho first peal of Caters themselves, why did they not say so, instead of handing the tower orer to us, intending that we should not get the pal. In fact, while the ringing was in progress. fome of the members were at the foot of the tower openly expressing the hope that some mishap would stop the attempt-and when the rope broke, one observed to the others, "Your wish has been fulfilled.' Needless to say, we cut short our visit after this experience. To the St. Patrick's Society we wish to express our heartfelt thanks for their kindness and hospitality, and we only regret that the bells in their tower are not in grood enough condition to make a peal possible on them.

## MR. R. F. DEAL'S EXPERIENCE

The second letter is from a ringer well-known in London, Mr. R. F. Deal. His many friends will be glad to learn that, as far as business is concerned, he has no cause to regrat leaving the old country. It is ctherwise with the state of ringing in Melbourne. He writes:-
The only decently ringable peill in this city is at St. Paul's Cathedral, but there is no encouregement for genuine ringers there, and although there aro plenty in the place, they have practically all deserted St. Paul's, owing to dissensions and bad maniogement. There is no unity among tho nembers of the band, and the chief aim of the so-called "Cummittoo" is to keep more enlightened persons than themselves out of tho tower-which policy appears to meet with the approval of the Cathedral authorities, as represented by the Precentor, whose total ignorance of everything conmected with ringing has been the chicf factor in bringing about the presont condition of affairs.

ENFRGY AND ANIBITION DEAD.
I commenced ringing at St. Paul's on my arrival here in February last, and attended practically every meeting for six months, but no opportunity was offered me of joining the socicty; so after some correspondence with the Precentor, I withdrew from the ringing altogether, with little regret, being sick of the invariably bad strik-
ing, and finding every obstacle put in the way of progress. There is: no hope of getting anything better than Grandsire 'Triples, and only short touches even of that. energy and ambition haring totally died out. So, as qualified ringers are discouraged, and nobody at present in the tower has any desire to train youngsters, ringing is in danger of becoming a lost art in Melboturne.
The bad reputation of the place, from a ringers' point of view, has now spread far beyond Melbourne. A fortnight ago, Messrs. R. and E. McDonald and C. W. Porter, of Sydney, came over for some tenbell practise, and no doubt hoping to score a peal. I was invited to meet them at St. Paul's, and gladly did so, but the local "Corfmittee " endeavourad to prevent mc from ringing, having got wind of my correspondence with the Precentor, in which I had stated my mind somewhat freely as to the conduct of the society. However, the difficulty was smoothed over, and Mr. MeDonald, senr., subsequently obfained the tower (through the "captain ") to attempt a peal of Caters, no restrictions being made as to choice of a band, etc. We got together the best band possible, including three members of the St. Paul's company, and started for a 5039 of Grandsire Caters, but after ringing 11 courses in capital style for a scratch team, down came the 8 th rope. Previously, at about the 6th course-end, in came the vice-captain." who crossed the belfry with as much noise as possible, loudly asking, "who locked the local ringers out," etc., al-
though he was present when the tower was, ostensibly, placed entirely at Mr. McDonald's disposal for the occasion. Iut that was not the worst. When we examined the broken rope, we found it had parted in a way that left no doubt that someone was determined we should lose the peal. A break caused by fair wear and tear does not usually occur a foot outside the wheel, all three strands exactly the same length, and no sign of fraying. And if any confirmation was reauired. I think it was provided by the words and behaviour of certain indiriduals subscquently. The Sydney ringers, after this display. of petty meanness, cut short their stay and went home disgusted, in spite of the efforts of the St. Patrick's ringers to entertain them. Melbourne ringers could themselves have scored the first ten-bell peal here long ago, if they had honestly tried. I might just add that both A. E. Bames and J. L. Murray-two splendid ringers and conductors. -have given up ringing, through the state of affairs here.

## WORCESTER CATHEDRAL RINGER'S DEATH

The deatll has just taken place of Mr. Henry Wilkes, one of Wor cester's oldest bell ringers. He was 65 years of age, and had rung at the Cathedral for the past 40 years, being a member of the Cathedral Guild up to the time of his death.

The funeral took place at Claines Parish Church, about two miles from the city, and the deceased was borne to the grave by four members of the Guild, Messrs. B. S. Mill, G. Hinton, W. H. Johnson and present Jones. Many other members and ringing friends were also present, including J. Perry, J. Brettell, W. Page, L. Longney and T. Bullock. At the conclusion of the service, at the graveside, as a last token of respect, a course of Grandsire Caters was rung on handbells, by: W. C. Jones 1-2, W. H. Johnson 3-4, G. Finton 5-6, W. Page 7-8, L. Longnes 9-10.
The late Mr. H. Wilkes had rung nany peals, and was a safe conductor. The last peal he rang and conducted was a muffled peal of Grandsire Caters at the Cathedral, to the memory of the late King Edward. He had taken a great interest in the Guild, and will bemuch missed by the members.

OFFENHAM. WORCESTERSHIRE.-At the Parish Church, on Nor. 10th, 720 Plain Bob Minor: II. Morton (first 720) 1, J. Porter 2, F. Cook (conductor) 3, F. Moss 4, H. Middleton 5, E. Mullins 6.
ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.-At St. Deny's Church, on Nor. 10th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Hammond 1, H. Smith 2. A. Harman 3, E. Bishop, senr., 4. E. Biehop, jumr. (first quarter as conductor) 5, C. Brasier 6, A Martin 7, G. Martin 8.
BRAINTREE, -On Nor. 10th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 39 mins. : H. Coote 1, H. E. Hammond 2, H. J. Colline 3, G. Nelbourne 4, W. II. Dyson 5, F. Eley 6, C. H. Howard (conductor) 7. W. H. Hammond 8 .
STOKE-ON-TRENT.-At the Parish Church, on Nev. 10th, for morn. ing service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: C. Woodward (first quarter-peal) 1, G. Bloor 2. H. Page 3, J. Woodward 4. T. Austin 5, S. Churton1 6, C. Page (first quarter-peal as conductor) 7, J. Simister 8. For evening service, another quarter peal: G. Woods I, C. Woodward (first quarter inside) 2, G. Bloor 3, S. Churton 4, J. Woodward (first quartor as conductor) 5, T. Austin 6, C. Page 7, H. Austin 8.
MARSTON MAGNA, SOMFRSET.-On Oct. 31st, at St. Mary's, at. the opening of the bells, 1260 Grandsire Doubles, in 38 mins. : G. Creed 1, H. Milbourne 2. T. G. Vincent, junr., 3, T. Merryfield 4, E. F. Creed conductor) 5, R. Look 6
IRTHLINGBORO, NORTHANTS.-On Nor. 2nd, an attempt for a peal of Loudon Surprise Major was lost after ringing 4064 changes, in 21 hrs.: J. J. Mawby 1, A. Y. Tyler 2, W. J. German 3, J. Houghton 4, J. Garratt 5, J. H. Horn 6, J. T. Ward 7, W. Perkins (conductor) 8. FROMF.-On Nov. 2nd, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, from Holt's Ten-part, was rung in 48 mins.: J. Offer 1, W. Bishop 2, J. Francis 3. C. Raison 4, A. K. Harrison 5, S. J. Hector 6, G. II. Harding (conductor) 7, W. Baxter 8.

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Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association.
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Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham; on May 11th 1912.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association, June 1st.
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Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the Kent Association, December 7th, 1912.

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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

## THE RECORD HOLDER FOR 1912.

Never was there a year in which so much ringing was done as in igi2, and it is not surprising, in a year which has easily surpassed all previous records, to find some remarkable individual performances. To Mr. A. W. Grimes, mine host of the George IV, at Haggerston, whose burly frame and genial countenance are so well known in ringing circles in and around London, has fallen the opportunity of making the biggest " bag " of the year. Mr. Grimes rang no fewer than II4 peals between January ist and December 3ist-a truly prodigious number for one man to accomplish. They cover the whole gamut from Grandsire Triples to Stedman Cinques, and from Bob Major to London Surprise and Cambridge Royal, and a


Mr. A. W. Grimes.
goodly proportion have been rung on handbells, while the tower bell peals were rung in 50 churches. Such a record is, indeed, remarkable.

Alfred William Grimes was born at Copdock, near Ipswich, on January 3oth, 188 I, and spent the early part of his life at the little town of Debenham in Suffolk. Here there is a peal of eight bells from the Whitechapel Foundry, which have not many superiors of their weight and style, and there Mr. Grimes learnt his ringing. One of his earliest recollections of ringing is the 16,608 Oxford Treble Bob Major, which was rung at Debenham on Whit-Monday, 1892, conducted by Mr. James Motts, by all accounts as finely struck a peal as has ever been rung. Mr. Grimes' father, $\mathrm{Mr}_{\mathrm{r}}$. William Grimes, is one of the best known ringers in the Eastern Counties, and besides his own talented son, he has taught many score ringers. Nowhere in England is onod striking thought more of than in East Suffolk, aud Debenham has always been very particular in this respect. Thus, before he left his native county, Mr.

Alfred Grimes was perfect in the one essential of good ringing-striking-and he has in a very marked degree that gift of the best of all ringers-that of being able to ring practically anything and never make a mistake.

His first peal was rung at Thornden on November 21st, I 896 , seven 720 's of Plain Bob Minor, and his second on February 27th, 1897, at Debenham, and there also he called his first peal. He rang over fifty peals at Debenham and district, and then, like so many good country ringers, he found his way to London. Here for many years he was outside peal ringing, and practically outside ringing altogether. The claims of business must be attended to even by ringers, though some seem to manage the two so that business does not interfere over much with ringing. Then during the spring of 1909 some of the St. John's, Waterloo Road, band paid a visit to Suffolk, and rang a peal at Debenham when Mr. Grimes happened to be home for a visit. He was invited to meet them when they all got back to town, and joined the tower to which he has since been attached.

St. John's is rather more favourably situated for peal ringing than most towers, and since it has a set of energetic and capable ringers Mr. Grimes' peal list soon began to expand. To the methods he had rung at home he speedily added most of the Surprise methods, and before he had rung his century he had included old and new Cambridge, Superlative and Norfolk Major, Cambridge Royal, Forward Major, Stedman Caters and Cinques.
But the chief interest in Mr. Grimes' career lies in the wonderful record of peals he has rung during 1912. Once only before has a man rung more than one hundred in a twelve months, and that was when Mr. J. W. Washbrook, at his best, rang no fewer than 127. No use would be served by comparing the two lists; the circumstances under which they were rung being so different. It is enough to say that the list that Mr. Grimes put together in one year would be a most excellent one for the whole life time of an average ringer. He started the year with the avowed intention of ringing fifty, but as the months went on and peal after peal was rung the whole century first became possible, then probable, and was finally achieved with a good bit to spare.

Many of these peals are of more than usual interest. They include the first peals of Norfolk in London, Kent, Essex and Norfolk; the first peal of Forward Major in London, and the first peal of Waterloo Major ever rung. He was also in the false peal that preceded the last-named.

But chief of all his performances was the record peal of Bristol Surprise Major rung last Whitsuntide at Hornchurch, a peal that was notable not only for the length and the difficulty of the method, but for the good striking and the absence of anything approaching a muddle. Mr. Grimes is at home equally well at the light or heavy end. During a tour last year in Norfollz he rang St. Peter Mancroft tenor ( 43 cwt.) to Treble Twelve, and that bell has never been better rung, although many a famous hearybell man has turned her in. Mr. Grimes has also rung Ipswich tenor to Treble Twelve.

Appended are Mr. Grimes' peals, his total being set alongside this year's batch :-

Forward Major


| Cambridge | 12 |  |  |  | 19 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| New Cambridge | 1 |  |  |  | 3 |  |  |  |
| Norfolk | 4 |  |  |  | 5 |  |  |  |
| Superlative | 6 | 1 |  |  | $\mathrm{II}_{1}$ | I |  |  |
| Cambridge Royal | 3 |  |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |
| Waterloo Major | I |  |  |  | I |  |  |  |
| Stedman Triples | 1 I |  | 4 |  | 14 |  | 4 |  |
| Stedman Caters | 8 |  | 8 |  | 15 |  | 8 |  |
| Stedman Cinques | 4 |  | 2 |  | 8 |  | 2 |  |
| Double Norwich Major | 11 | 1 |  |  | 36 | 1 |  |  |
| Oxford T.B. Major | 2 |  |  |  | 17 | 1 |  |  |
| Kent T.B. Major | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 7 |  | 1 | I |
| Kent T.B. Royal |  |  | I | 1 | 5 |  | 1 | I |
| Kent T.B. Maximus | 4 |  |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |
| Bob Major |  |  | 2 |  | 13 | 1 | 2 |  |
| Bob Royal |  |  | 4 | 1 |  |  | 4 | 1 |
| Bob Maximus |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |  |
| Grandsire Triples | I |  | 1 |  | 2 |  | I |  |
| Grandsire Caters |  |  | 2 |  |  |  | 2 |  |
| Six Bell Peals |  |  |  |  | 4 | 1 |  |  |
| Total | 88 | 3 | 26 |  | I9I |  |  |  |

Mr. Grimes is a member of the following Associations: Norwich, College Youths (Middlesex), London County, Kent, Oxford, Hertford, Sussex, Warwickshire, St. Margaret's (Westminster), and St. Mary-le-Tower (Ipswich).

## ODD CHANGES.

Over too peals have been sent in to us for publication this week, and, although we have added four extra pages to our number, our columns are still not elastic enough to accommodate this enormous batch. We have been unavoidably compelled, therefore, to hold over several peals and other reports, as well as the continuation of Mr Trollope's article and our weekly diagram.
loor five years in succession peals have been successful on Boxing Day at the Church of St. John-the-Divine, Leicester. This year young Miss Hilda Willson piloted the treble to Double Norwich, while Lilian, her sister, rang an inside bell.

To honour the veteran leader of the ringers of Llandaff Cathedral, Mr. J. Clutterbuck, who was one of the originators of the Llandaff Diocesan Association, the ringers of Newport attempted at All Saints' Church, Newport, a peal of Stedman Triples on Saturday last, the occasion of Mr. Clutterbuck's birthday. Unfortunately the peal was lost after ringing well over half way.

A combined practice of the Sonning branch of the Oxford Guild was held on Saturday last at Easthamstead. The attendance was rather poor, but the following methods were practiced: Kent, Oxford, Double Court, Double and Single Oxford, Plain Bob, Cambridge Surprise and Grandsire Doubles. Grandsire Triples were also rung on handbells.

There are early birds at Horley, and on Christmas morning they, so to speak, caught the early worm, for they scored a peal of Grandsire Triples before the $6.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. service.

At the Cinque Ports Liberty, of Brightlingsea (Essex), they make their Mayor in the belfry. We doubt if anywhere else the belfry is used for this purpose.

The peal of Grandsire Triples at Old Windsor on December $13^{\text {th }}$ celebrated a triple event. It was the first peal in his native parish after 17 years' interval by the ringer of the 5 th (Mr. J. Guttridge, junr.) ; it was the 2ist anniversary of the marriage of the ringer of the 3 rd (Mr. T. Smith) and the 64th birthday of the ringer of the treble (Mr. J. Guttridge, senr.).

The report of a peal rung at Kibworth has been sent without the date, and of a peal at Mathon without conductor's name.

## ATTEMPT ON TOWER BELL RECORD.

An attempt on the tower belf record is to be made at Ashton-under-Lyne to-morrow, when the band who rang the peal there on December 2 Ist will start for 18,400 Kent Treble Bob Royal. The bells will go off at $6.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.
The present tower bel! record is, of course, the 18,027 Stedman Caters, rung at Loughborough on April 12th, 1909, in 12 hours 18 minutes.
The preliminary to to-morrow's attempt was the 7280 of Treble Ten rung on December 7 th. On that occasion the peal composed and conducted by Mr. Sam Wood was as under :-


5008 BOB MAJOR. By GEORGE LEIWIS, ECCLESFIELD.


The first paal published containing the 6th, the extent in 5-6 in the minimum number of courses and changes.
First rung at St. Stephen's. Eistwood, Rotherham, Deeember 26th, 1912, conducted by Clement Glem.
Note--Several blocks of 24 courses, many containing only two singles, can ber substituted for the last part of the peal.

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## NEW BELLS AT GUILDFORD.

## RESTORED PEAL DEDICATED.

Since 1769, when Peter Flutter, who as Mayor of the borough laid the first stone of Holy Trinity Church, Guildford, in 1748, placed a peal of eight bells in the tower, the county town of Surrey has played a part in the annals of ringing, for a few months after they were hung, "Mr. Holt's peal of Grandsire Triples" was rung upon them. When the bells were erected in 1769, tho frame in which they were hung was of weak design, and although strengthened a few years ago, it had latterly developed such serious faults as to render the ringing of the bells a matter of some risk, and a menace to the stability of the tower. Tha present restoration of the bells includes the rehanging of them in massive iron framework carried upon heavy rolled steel guders, so that the weight is more evenly and properly distributed, upon the lines of modern engineering practice. The tenor bell was seriously cracked; the treble and fourth were harmonically faulty, and the seventh had the same fault, and was in addition damaged in transit to the forudry. These four bells have been re-cast and the whole peal re-tuned and re-hung with entirely new fittings of the latest and most ap roved style, the work having been carricd out in eminently satisfactory style by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough.
The inscriptions recording the re-casting of the bells in 1769 have been carefully reproduced on the bells which have again been re-cast, and another inscription records the carrying out of the work now completed. The tenor is in E flat, and the weights of the bells are as follow: Treble, 7 cwt. 1 qr. 24 Tbs.; 2nd, 7 cwt. 1 qr.; 3rd, 8 cwt. 0 ars. 5lhs : 4 th. 8 cwt. 3 grs. 19 lbs. ; 5 th, 9 cwt. 3 qrs. 16 lbs.; 6 th, 12 cwt. 2 qrs. 21 lbs.; 7 th, 16 cwt. 2 grs. 6 lbs.; tenor, 23 cwt. 3 qrs. 8 lbs.-total weight, 94 cwt. 2 qris. 15 lbs.
A new floor has been put in under the bells, and some weaknesses duo to former cutting away of portions of the tower walls have becn remedied. In addition, the levels of the bells have been re-arranged, and the lower portion of the louvres bricked in, with a view to preventing as far as possible the direct "beating down" of the sound of the bells. The estimato for tise work to the bells amounted to some £418, and the bricklayers' work in carrying out the improvement and repairs to the wwer, together vith othcr expenses, will add about £50, making a tolai cosit of $\mathfrak{x} 408$. The subseriptions to the Bell Fund nmount to £433, so that there is an estimated deficiency of $£ 35$.

## THE SERVICE.

The dedncation service, which took place on Sunday afternoon last, was to have been performed by the Bishop of Winchester, but his lordship was prevented $b y$ illness from being present, and, the Bishop of Guildford being weatherbound in the Isle of Wight, the duty of dedicating the icells devolved upon the Rector (the Rer. E. C. Kirwan), viho is Rural Dean. The Rev, C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master of the Oxford
Guild) was present at the special service, most of which was conGuild) was present at the special service, most of which was con-
ducted boneath the tower. Immediately after the prayer of dedicaducted boneath the tower. Immediately after the prayer of dedicathe clergy and choir returned to the chancel, the fine ring of bells poured out their melodious strains to a perfect course of Stedman Triples, rung by: C. Willshire 1, J. J. Jones 2, H. L. Garfath 3, S.
Radford 4, J. S. Goldsmiti 5, C. Ifazelden 6, B. Chorley 7, A. H. Radford 4,
Pulling 8 ,

## Pulling 8.

After the hymn, "Thy Hand, O God, has guided," the Rector gave an address, in the course of which he congratulated the parish on the and £500, he said, for an object which, rightly or wrongly, did not appeal to everybody, was no light or casy matter. It was, however, only when the bolls were silent that they realised how much they meant both to the parish and town, and it would have been a poor policy, it would have been a disastrous blunder to have left them unringable and unrung. They might confidently feel assured that all had been done in a workmanlike manner, and was likely to last in splendid condition for a great number of years. There had been, he added, between 400 and 500 subscribers to the fund, and the amounts had ranged from sums of 1 d . to $£ 50$. The donors had included rich and poor; those who worshipped there, and those who attended other parishes, and they had also received some welcome contributions from generous Nonconformist brethren. The Rector proceeded to speak of the origin and history of church bells, and of their uses. During the last 60 years, he said, the bells and belfries had been recovering from the neglect of the previous. two or three centuries. They had become part and parcel of the Church, and the ringers among the most valuable and valued of the Church workers. The whole fabric of the Church, he continued. had a meassage to give to man, and the bell was the Church's iron tongue. Although inarticulate, it was a prophet to whoce voice the people must needs listen, when, perhaps, the articulate voice of the human body fell upon unheeding ears. The Rector concluded by making an carnest appeal for the wiping out of the remainder of the debt.
The service concluded with the hymn, "Angel voices, ever singing," and as the congregation left the church, the bells again pealed out merrily. Numerous short touches of Major and Triples were rung, with a short interval, up to evensong, among those taking part being: Mr . John Heathorn, the oldest ringer in the Winchester Guild, who will shartly be celebrating his 90 th birthday.

## PRESENTATIONS.

Bofore the dedication service, an interesting cercmony took place in the belfry. Mr. B. Chorley, on behalr of the ringers, presented the Rector with a handsome silver-plated hot-water jug, as an appreciation of many kindnesses which they hat received It was inscribed:
"Presented to the Rev. E. C. Kirwan, in.A., Rector' of Holy Trinity, Guikdford, by his Bell Ringers, on the cccasion of the dedication of the bells, December 29th, 1912.'-The Kector, who suitably acknowledged the gift, then presented a 14-lay clock in oalc case, subscribed for by the ringers, to Mr. M. L. Garfath, a member of the band for many years, who has now left Guildford, :nd resides at Croydon. The gift was a recognition of his services to the bam1, it token of the esteem in whic! he was held, and an expression of the good wishes entertained by his ringing colleagues for his future welfare and prosperity.

After evensong, when the bells were agan rung, Mr Churchwarden Lumm unveiled an alabaster tablet, in the belfry, recording the first peal of London Surprise Major rung by a local band in the Diocese of Winchester. This peal was rung on February 8th. 1910, by the IIoly Trinity men, and the tablet was presented by the Rector and Churchwardens.
On Tuesday evening, a peal of Stedman Triples was rung on the bells.

## BELL RESTORATION AT CHILHAM, KENT.

On Monday week, the fira ring of eight kells (tenor 18 cwt .) of St. Mary's Church, Chilham, near Canterbury. were re-dedicated, after having been silent for some months. The 5 th bell has been recast, and the whole ring has been retuned and rehung in a special steel frama with all the most modern fittings that science can devise. The old oak beams which had become dangerous have also been cleared out, and massive steel girders have been substituted, and upon these a new floor has been erected. The whole of the work of restoration has been carried out by Messis. John Warner and Sons, of the Spitalfields Foundry, London, in a truiy able manner, and one cannot speak too highly of their workmanship. Before the service, three leads of Grandsire Triples were rung, by: E. Foreman 1, F. A. Nunn 2, --. Wood 3, Liev. F.J. O. Helmore 4, E. Trendell 5. A. A. Andrews 6, G. Brett 7, G. Taylor 8. At the conclusion of the ceremony, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, couducted by E Buesden, was successfully accomplished, and ringing was brought to an end with three leads of Kent Treble Eob by the same band.

IIessrs. John Warner and Sons were reprosented by four members of the Kont County Association, W. J. Nudds, James Hunt, F. A. Nunn and T. Groombridge, junr. A very enjoyable supper was partaken of at the conclusion of ringing, and full justice was done to the splendid repast, which was generously provided by Mrs. Hay, of Chilham.

## FIRST "LADY-CONDUCTED" TWLEVE-BELL PEAL. MISTS EDITH PARKER CALLS STEDMAN CINQUES AT BIRMTNGHAN.

On Boxing Day, the important part now taken in the Exercise by fair performers, was advanced a long stage by that talented young lady, Miss Edith K. Parker, who conducted a peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Martin's, Birminghan. An old riuger once remarked that if the
bells of St. Martin's were pulled off and left to themselves, they would go into Stedman Cinques on their own account. Be this as it may, it is practically certain that during the prast 90 years more changes in this method have been rung, and probably more peals scored on them, than on any other two or three rings of twelve put together. It is, therefore, peculiarly appropriate that the first peal of Stedman Cinques to be conducted by a lady should be accomplished in this famous old tower.
Miss Parker, accompanicd br her father, who also rang in the peal, journeyed from London on purpose for the peal, and was met at the station by several ringers and their wives. The meet-
ing time was one oclock, and shortly before this hour. Tiss was standing in the centro of the spacious belf $2 y$, surrounded by forty or fifty ringers, who were curious to see the plucky young lady, and several ladiee who were more curious still. Eventually the belfry was vacated by all hat those who were to ring, and Miss Parker pulled off the treble in workmanliks style. There was perhaps, just an element of doubt among scme as to how she would strike lier bell, it being understood that he was more accustomed to eight-bell ringing, but all doubts on this score were set at rest after the very first course. The bells settled down immediately to a good beat, and courge-end after course-end rolled up in grand stylc, and an oxcellent peal was brought round in 3 hrs . and 38 mins ., as recorded elsewhere in this issuc. The peai was called in an absolutely faultless manner, as though the young lady had done nothins but call prals of Stedman Cingues from birth. On the conclusion, she was heartily congratulated by the band, as also was her father, by a large number of ringers from all round the district who had heard moro or less of the peal.

BATII, SOMPRSET.-On Dec. 8th, for morning service, at St. Andrew's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1260 changes), in 46 mins.: A. Hudd 1, G. Templo 2, W. J. Prescott 3, I. King 4, O. W. Boll 5, E. Holder 6, T. F. King (conductor) 7, L. Smith 8.

## THE LLANDAFF ASSOCIATION.

## 'ANNUAI MEETING AT CARDIFF.

The annual meeting of the Llandaft Diocesan Association was held in St. John's Schoolroom, Cardiff, on Boxing Day, Dr. A. J. II. Boyton presiding. Mr. J. Bullen was unanimously elected Master for the ensuing year.-The Rev. Connop L. Price and Mr. J. W. Jones were re-elected as hon. secretaries, and Mr. Hobbs and Mr. Morgan reelceted auclitors.-All Saints', Newport, was chosen as the place for the next annual meeting, and Caerphilly was chosen for the next Glamorgan quarterly meeting. The question of having an annual report printed was discussed, and eventually it was decided to have an amended balance sheet only printed in leaflet form.
A monthly ringing meeting was suggested, and it was decided as an experiment to hold one on the last Saturday in January, at Caerphilly, to which all ringers are invited.
The Fion. Secretary having explained what was suggested to be done in regard to St. Woollos bells, Newport, which have not been rung since Easter last, a sum of $£ 5$ was voted from the Association funds towards the rehanging.
New members were elected from Whitenurch, Pentre, Llantrisant, Newport, and Bridgend.
An instructor was asked for at Llantrisant tower, and Mr. J. Clutterbuck offered his services, which. were accepted.-A vote of thanks to Dr. Bhation for presiding concluded the business meeting.
An invilation to tea was then given to the visitors by Mr. Allen, on behalf of the Vicar and churchwardens of St. John's Church.-An cxcellent meat tea was provided, and at the close, a hearty rote of thanks was accorded them for their hospitality.
The tower was then visited, and the four Standard methode rung until nime o'cloch. A smoking concert followed at the Criterion Hotel, and this brought to a close a most enjoyable and successful meeting.

## MACHEN BELL RINGERS' GUILD SUPPER AND PRESENTATION.

The members of the Machen (Mon.) Parish Church Bell Ringers' Guild, together with a few friends were entertained to supper on Friday week, at the Volland House, Iower Machen, by the President of the Guild, Mr. D. T. Newton Wade, and Mrs. Wade.
After an excellent repast, the company settled down to a musical The Chairman gave the loyal
The Chairman gave the loyal toast, and Mr. McKinnon proposed the toast of the clergy. The clergy were, he said, at the present time passing through severe trials, but he believed they would come through them all right. - Ihe Rev. S. G. Mergan and the Rev. D. Dadlyke re-sponded.-Mr'. Lloya proposed the toast of "the Bell Ringers," who, ho said, were a splendid lot of young men. - Mr. Stratton, who
seconded, said the bell ringers were a credit to the parish.-Mr. Newseconded, said the bell xingers were a credit to the parish.-Mr. New-
ton Wade proposed the toast of the instructor of the band, Mr. J. W. Jones, of Newport. Mr. Jones had rendered splendid service $i_{11}$ helping the bell ringers, and but for him the parish would not at the present time have its ring of eight bells, as when the relanging was done it was only intended to rehang the old six. Mr. Jones strongly advocated a special effort being made to complete the ectave, and they were all.delighted that his proposal had been carried out.
An interesting function then took place, Mr. George Cousins, as leader of the band, presenting to MIr. Jones, on behalf of the ringers and friends of the parish church, a beautifully mounted oak tray.-Mr. Jones, in roturning thanks, said he was very grateful to the members for the lovely present, which he would always cherish. It was a pleasure to him to come to Machen any time.-During the evening, the ringers gave selections on the handbells, and songs were rendered by the Rev. S. G. Morgan, Messis. Newton Wade, T. Jarman, A. Mc-
Kimnon, D. C. Price, and J. W. Jones, Mrs. Wade being the accompanist.

## THE CURFEW RINGERS, WINDSOR.

The members of the St: George's Bell Ringing Society, Windsor', a lody of men who rejoice with the toan on all royal birthdays, held their ammal supper at the Horse and Groom Inn, on Saturday week. Fussell. The modest party of a round dozen sat down to the old English fare of roast beef and Christmas plum pudding, their appetites having been previously sharpened by several good and lusty pulls upon the peal of eight bells in the Curfew Tower, with its fine old tenor weighing nearly a ton and a half, and dated 1614. The toasts George's Chapely," having been loyally honoured, and the table cloth removed, the remainder of the evening was spent in harmony, most of the company giving well known songs, accompanied by Mr. Caley upon the piano. Fandbells were brought out, and several old English ballads rendered upo', them by Messrs. J. Hasley, J. Hague, G. Adcock, and G. Sumner. Mr. Raikes gave a series of songs in excellent style, and elen mine host and hostess, with Miss Gibbs, were kind enough to oblige the parly, amongst whom were Messis. H. Burker and Alfred Painter two of the oldest members, and Messrs. W. D. Kentish, H. Wetherall, W. Napper, and Wm. Wellbelove, the tower keeper.-A vote of thanks to the landlord, Mr. Jack Garnham, and the singing of the National Anthem, brought a very happy ringing "amual " to an end.

## THE AUTHORSHIP OF PEALS.

Dear Sir,-I think Mr. Editor, and perhaps some of your readers also, will agree that I should have an opportunity of saying a few words on this subject, and also in supporting my two colleagues, Messrs. Pitstow and Dains. This correspondence has almost reached the verge of uselessness in prolonging the discussion, mainly brought about by Mr. Lindoff introducing irrel svant matter quite unconnected with the points at issue. With your permission, sir, I will, in as few words as possible, refer to our letter of November 8th, on the interpolating of the one solitary bob at the Wrong, which is the keynote to all this correspondence.

Before doing so, however, I must take exception to one or two very rindictive statements made by Mr. Lindoff. The first is, he described the four 6048 peals as useless compositions. We know quite as well as anyone else that these peals are close relations, but there is no individual living who can say they are not distinct compositione, and most useful and musical compositions, too, and in their several variations also. I may be allowed to add that there are some special manipulations to be made, and had Mr. Lindoff made use of them, it is more likely than otherwise that the abstracts woukd never have been observed, except by a much closer scrutiny, as it was only by the merest chance that the peals, No. 1 and 3 , were at all suspected. ank I can truly state that this deducting or abstracting process was known to us a long time before publiahing our first letter.
Mrr. Lindoff then tells us there are only two peals in the four we published. Although this may seem so, his statement is not quite correct, as the interpolating bob at the Wrong is contrarywise in each peal. This is ocular proof that the four peals do not emanate from the same source, and further proves that each of the 6048's are distinct compositions. It should be noted that all these compositions come under one category of Superlative or New Cambridge Surprise. I think I may also correctly state that the greater portion of the most coreted compositions of 6048 and the 5056 of Superlative with 4 th and 6 th extent in 6th's place, without $2 n d$ or 3 rd being there, were composed years before Mr. Lindoff produced any such peals in this method. That being so, I trust he will give us a little credit for knowing what we arz talking about. Referring again to our first lettar, the most vital question to sottle lies in a very small compass. Simply, did Mr. Lindoff deduct or abstract his peals from No. 1 and 3 , or did he not. or what is equal to such a course, did he reproduce the figures in composing? It must be either one or the other. Therefore the conchusions are that in either case, he fails to be the original author of the peals under discussion, as there is an unwritten law that abstracting, splicing and reproducing of compositions is illegitimate, and have an unworthy claim, unless indead there be some very decided improvements in extents, etc. Then, again, he is asking a most superfluous question. Do we claim to have invented the working of the 6th her extent by means of two portions? etc. Our answer is: We do not claim to have invented anything of the kind. They are public property, and all composers make use of them in different forms as their ideas and brains happen to guide them. Then he says, "Who does rounds belong to?" accompanied by such indiscreet expressions as, "Hands off," "We should be at one another"s throats," "Catspaw," etc. All this, to my mind, is ridiculous and vulgar nonsense. Mr. Lindoff also informs us that it is nothing fresh for one bob to dominate a peal. but eurely he does not mean a composition. We will take Mr. T. Day's three-part peal of 16,608 of Treble Bob to illustrate one of such points. If you call one bob at Home at the first part end, it would be round at 5,568 changes. This is, of course, dominating a peal with one bob, but not a composition in the same method. Again, take any one of the 6048 peals of Superlative and add one bob Before following the course-end 26435, this would eliminate four courses and reduce any one of those peals to 5056. Should any individual, after such a process, claim them as his owa composition, I should rather think the whole Exercise would ridicule such a person or such nursing of his own stupicl and bigoted folly.
We might continue this subject until it became distasteful to your readers; therefore. I conclude by stating that we lave indisputably proved our first charge, and, further. no quibbling or irrelevant argument will ever upset our minds and honest convictions.

CHARLES HENRY HATTERSLEY.

## THE LEEDS SOCIETY.

The monthly meeting of the society, held at Bramley, on Saturday week, was attended by ringers from Calverley, Holbeck, Headingley, Rothwell, Leeds, Tong. and the local company. A peal of Treble Bob Minor was attempted in the afternoon, but, unfortunately, was lost in the sisth 720.-The business meeting was held at the Cardigan Arms, Mr. J. W. Holgate presiding, in the absence of the President. After the usual business had been transacted, names were invited for a peal at Pudsey, on the occasion of the meeting on January 11th, and a full company was formed.-A vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens of Bramley for the use of the beils, and to the local band for making all arrangements, was proposed by Mr. T. Maude, seconded by Mr. Wr. Chapman, and carried.-Mr. J. W. Holgate responded.Touches of Kent, Violet, Cambridge and other Minor methods were rung on the tower bells.

## NOTICES.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch.--The next Monthly Meeting will be held at the Manchester 'Town Hall, on Saturday, January 4th, 19r3. Reports can be had at the meeting on payment of current subscription; Life Members on application. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Meeting at $7 .-\mathrm{W}$. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.
ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY, SHEFFIELD. The next meeting of the above society will be held at St. Maries, Sheffield ( 8 bells), on Saturday, January $\ddagger$ th, igr3. Ringing from $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. till 7 p.m. Committee meeting $5 \cdot 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Important business.-J. Evinson, 9r, Clarence Street, Sheffield.
SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.-The next meeting of this society will be held at Chesterfield on Saturday next, January 4 th. Church of St. Mary and All Saints, ten bells, tenor $22^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{cwt}$., available $+\mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to S p.m.-J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary' Secretary, II, Havelock Street, Sheffield.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824).-The quarterly general meeting of the association will take place on January 6th, I9 ${ }^{13}$, at Christ Church, Blackfriars Road, S.E. Tower open from 7.45 to $9.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome. - F. J. Hardy, Honorary General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established $\mathrm{r} 6_{37}$ ). - Notice is hereby given that a motion affecting the society's rules will be brought forward at the meeting to be held on January 7 th, 1913 .-William T. Cockerill, $3^{2}$, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ). -Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on January $7^{\text {th }}$ and 2 ist; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 16th and 30th; St. Paul's Cathedral on the 7 th; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 21 st; Southwark Cathedral on the 28th; St. Magnus $7 \cdot 30$ p.m.; the others at 8 p.m. Also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturday evenings. 1 district meeting will be held at St. Mary Ablots, Kensington, on February ist. Tower open for ringing at 3.30 . Evensong 5.30 . Tea in the Vicarage Hall at 6.15. Will members intending to be present kindly let me know by January 28th? William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.-Established 1755.-The annual meeting will be held at the Tamworth Arms Hotel, Moor Street, City, on Tuesday, Tanuary 7 th next, at $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , when the balance sheet will be presented. Will members please note that all subscriptions are payable at this meeting.A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, II, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -A branch meeting will be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Darwen, on Saturday, January ith, igiz. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Castle Cary Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Wincanton on Saturday, January inth, 1913. Service in the church 4.15 p.m. Tea in the schooiroom $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting to follow. Bells available from 2.30 to 9 p.m. All ringers invited.-T. G. Vincent, Wraxall, Shepton Mallet.

## SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-

 The annual meeting will be held at St. Martin's-in-the Fields on Saturday, January irth, 1913. Tower open at 3.30. Tea in the Vestry Hall at 5.30 at gd. each to those who notify me by the gth inst.-F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary, 3, Hart's Lanc, New Cross, S.E.THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch.-The next moeting will be held at St. Nicholas New Church on Saturday, January ifth, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30--J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary, 3 I, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, on Saturday, January inth, 1913. Bells available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.; short service, with an address by the Vicar of St. Saviour's, at $5 \cdot 30$; tea in the Parish Hall at 6 o'clock, followed by business meeting. Members are reminded that annual subscriptions for 1913 were due on January ist.-H. Rumens, 32 , Verulam Avenue, Walthamstow, N.E.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at Bolton Parish Church on Saturday, January ifth, at 5 o'clock. Meeting 7.30 .
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch. -The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Whitworth Parish Church on Saturday, January It th, 1913. Bells ready at 3.30; business meeting at 6.30 . All ringers welcome.-J. H. Bastow, Branch Secretary, $\mathrm{I}_{3}$, Norman Street, North Moor, Oldham.
BEDFORDSH!RE ASSOCIATION. - Luton Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held on January is th at Leiohton Buzzard. Eight bells. Bells available from 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.-A. King, District Secretary, 6 , Tavistock Crescent, Luton.

TIIE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Socicty, Established 1824). - Southern District. - The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, January 18th, 1913, at St. George's, Southwark. Tower open from 4 p.m. to $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting to follow.Frank A. Snith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.
I.ONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Socicty, Established 182 f).-Northern District. - The gencral meeting of this district will be held at St. Mary's, Islington, on Saturday, January i8th, 1913. The tower will be open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting at 8. 15 p.117. at the Old King's Head. All members and friends cordially invited.-J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7D, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.

THE CENTRAL MORTHANTS ASSOCIATION:Quarterly meetings will be held at Weston Favel on Saturday, January inth; Lowick on January 18th; Isham on January ${ }_{2} 5$ th; Irthlingborough on February ist.-F. Wilford, General Secretary, I49, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-Preliminary Notice.-The next meeting will be held on January 18th. Further particulars next week. - E. Trendell, Boughton, Faversham.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Quarterly meeting of the Maidstone District will be held at Aylesford, on Saturday, January 18th. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., followed by the usual business meeting. Subscriptions are now due.-G. Moore, District Secretary, 7 I , Florence Road, Maidstone.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. J. Hunt, late of Guildford, has removed to II 3, Weymouth Terrace, Hackmey Road, London, N.E.

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## SITUATIONS VACANT.

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By the death of the late Mr. W. D. Cruddas, ex-M.P. for Newcastle, and a momber of the great firm of Armstrong, Whitworth and Co., Elswick, St. Stephen's Church lost its most generous and liberal supporter. The whole of the beautiful fabric, including organ and bells, was provided by members of the Cruddas family. To commemorate his connection with the gift of tower and bells, a peal board was placed in the tower, and unveiled on Monday week by Mr. Jas. Dellow, the oldest seat-holder in the church. The board measures 5 ft . by 3 ft. 6 ins., and is inscribed as follows:-

To the Glory of God, and in grateful memory of William Donaldson Cruddas, churchwarden of this church from 1866 to 1912, and part donor of th ise bells, a muffled peal of 5040 changes of Stedman Triples was rung on the day of his interment. Feb. 15th, 1912, in 3 hrs. and 27 mins., by the following members of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association of Change Ringers: William Story treble, B. C. Dixon 2. J. E. R. Keen 3, A. F. Hillier 4, E. E. Ferry 5, T. T. Gofton 6, W. H. Barber 7, O. Simm tenor. Composed by Sir A. Heywood, and conducted by W. FI. Barber. Henr马 Edwards, Vicar; B. Robinson, J. H. Horsley, Wardens; C. L. Routledge, President of above Association."

A rote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Dellow for his kindly offices. on the motion of Mr. J. H. Horsley, seconded by Mr. Routledge.-Miss Florence Cruddas, who was present, expressed her gratitude to the members of the association for ringing the peal and erecting the tablet, and to Mr. Dellow for his very kind words about her belored father. -Touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples were rung afterwards, with the belp of the local ringers.

## GUILDFORD RINGER'S DEPARTURE.

A very pleasant function was performed at St. Nicolas' belfry, Guildford, on Christmas Day, by Mr. E. Heather, the senior member, before ringing for morning service. In a few well-chosen words, he, on behalf of inis fellow members, asked Mir J. Hunt to accept a handsomo case of carvers, as a slight token of their appreciation of his services during his 15 years' membership, for many years of which he acted as conductor, and heartily wishing him success in his new sphere of Jabour. - Mr. Hunt, who has now left Guildford for London, thankert the members for their kindness, and was pleased to think his sorvices had been so greatly appreciated.

A touch of Stedman Caters was then rung by: H. Burdock 1, S. ladford 2, E. Racdon 3, B Chorley 4, C. Willshire, jumr., 5, W. Loader 6, T. Radford 7, W. Pullen 8, J. Hunt (couductor) g, E. G Heatin 10. Owing to the st. Nicolas' bells not being pealable, a farewell peal was not attempted, but a quarter was arranged, and bronght round on Sunday evening, December 22nd: C. Willshire, junr., 1, A H. Pulling 2, S. Radford 3, W. Maulden 4, C. Willshire, senr., 5, W. Loader $6, \mathrm{M}$, Smithers 7, G. Steer 8, J. Hunt (conductor) G , E. Rađ̈dou 10.

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aESSRS, GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON. 4th Marah, 1912 Gentiemen,

The reoasting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two now one in the tower of St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, revently carried out by you has proved mosi successful, and given soneral satisfaction.

I an authorised by tine Rector aad Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of thowe well qualified to adge, we have riow, uninuhtedly, one of the hest pogls in the Kingdur Youte feithfally, F. T. BECK,

Architeot, Diooesan Burveyor

## PEALS AND POINTS.

Our article last week has drawn a letter from Mr. C. E. Borrett, the secretary of the Norwich Diocesan Association, which we feel sure will be read with interest. It raises the whole subject of the points for peals-a matter upon which the Exercise has ever been divided, and probably ever will be-not merely as to the number of point:; that should be allotted for this or that method, but on the broader question of whether the point system is advantageous or not. First of all, however, let us say at once that we did not intend last week to convey any idea that thero is deadly rivalry between the Norwich and the Middlesex Associations in regard to peal points. Their relationship, as Mr. Borrett points out, is of the most cordial nature, and is, we hope, only typical of that which exists between all other Associations. There is, however, no harm that we can see, in the existence of a spirit of friendly competition between the different societies; indeed the outcome of such a spirit-enthusiasm, enterprise and effort-has raised the standard of our Art to its present high level.

Whether in principle points for peals are right or wrong, they are the accepted means adopted of comparing the relative merit of peals, and it cannot be disputed, we think, that the question of points does enter into the consideration of some ringers, much as others may desire to ignore the system. The Central Council have established the competitive basis, and we do not see any unworthy motive in a society or association seeking, upon that basis, to do better than its neighbour. The whole system, as Mr. Borrett points out, may be unsatisfactory; and the Central Council have acknowledged the impossibility of gauging the relative merits of a performance, by taking account of only two of the factors-the assumed difficulty of a method and the number of changes rung.
.111 other considerations have perforce to be ignored, but there is many a peal of Grandsire Triples, rung perhaps by local bands after months of perseverance and d:sappointment, that is more creditable and required far greater elfort than a peal of London Surprise rung br an expert company. That is but one point among many of the difliculties of accurately fixing the real merit of a peal. Again, Mr. Borrett points out that the Association at the head of the Anallys may not be collectively the premier society of the country, as the position may be due simply to the efforts of a few individuals. Equally one might suggest that it does not follow that the Association that rings the greatest number of peals by the greatest number of bands is doing the best service to the Church, for it would not necessarily indicate the fulfilment of those duties which should be the ringers' chief concern. The whole question is an extremely debatable one, and one which is never likely to be settled with anything like unanimity.

## CHARLES CARR, ${ }^{\text {IT0 }}$



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TWELVE BELL PEALS.
IPSWICH.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND
ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY
OnTuesduy, Decomber 31, 1912, in Three Howrs and Forty-tivo Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-le-Tower,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GINQUES, 5019 CHANGES ; Tenor 32 cwt .
 Edward Evans ... ... ... 3 Charles J. Sedgley ... Ruhert H. Hayward ... 4 Peter Laflin ... ... ... io Rueert H. Brondle ... 5 William P. Garreit ... it Harhy Barton ... ... ... 6 Charles A. Catchpole... Tenor Composed by Charles Henry Hattersley, and Conducted by James Motts.
Arranged and rung especially to oblige R. H. Hayward, of Marlesford, H. Barton, of Southwold, and Peter Laflin, of Debenham, Suffolk.

LONDON
[I!F: ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, Janury 4, 1913, in Four Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of St. Saviour, Southwark.
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 GHANGES; Tenor 50 cwt.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

LEICESTER
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION AND
THE ST. MARTIN'S SOCIETY, LEICESTER
On Tuestay, December 31, 1912, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Martin,
A PEAL dF S IEDMAN CATERS, 5141 CHANGES;
Tenor $21 \frac{13}{\text { 妾 }}$ cwt.

- George Holmes

Samuel Cotton
George Pilmore
...Treble Arthur S. Pettit
Louis $\quad . . . \quad . . \quad 3$ Charles H. Fowler ... 8
Frederick H. Dexter ... 5 Thomas Taylor ... ...Teno
Composed and Conducted by Frederick H. Dexter.

- First peal, and proposed members before starting.


## BRISTOL

THE ST. NICHOLAS GUILD
On Tuesday, December 31 1912, in Three Honrs and Eighticn Minutes,
At Christ Chorch (City),
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANCES;
Tenor 20 cwt.

- William H. Werrett ...Treble Frederick W. Wade ... 6 2 *Henry B Burt
Henry T. Howell... ... 3 Gilbert Wiltshire
Charles Perry ... ... 4 Isaac Long ... ... ...
William White ... ... 5 Uriah Braven... ... ... Tenot
Composed and Conducted by Fred G. May.
- First peal of Grandsire Caters.

GREENWICH, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Friday, Januay 3, 1913, in Thre Hours and Twenty-nine Minutis At the Chorch of St. Alfege
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5005 CHANCES; Tenor 25 cwt.
Alfred W. Grimes ... ...Treble William looremaí ... ...
Harry Hoskins... ... ... 2 William Shimmans... George Holifield, Junr. 3 Thos. Groombridge, Senr.
William Hewett ... ... 4 Thomas Jakeman ... ... y

1. George Shade ... ... 5 William Berry ... ... Tenor

Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by William Shimmans.
Kung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Saturday, January 4, 1913, in Threc Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas,
a PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES; Tenor 22 cwt .

| Gilbert Guest .. | ..Tveble | W1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| am Mil |  | John Goodman, Sen |
| Spi |  | Christopher Wa |
| John Goodman, Junr. |  | Benjamin Gough ... ... 9 |
| Herbert Sh |  | Charles Fau | Composed by the late William Micklewright, and Conducted by John Goodman, Junr.

The above peal was arranged and rung in honour of the birthlays of Messrs. John Goodman, Senr., Harry Goodman and Charles Faulks.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, January 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist

## a Peal of grandsire caters, 5021 changes;



- First peal on ten bells.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HEENE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Weinestay, Decomber 18, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Botolph,


Conducted by A. W. Groves.
ERITH, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Decomber 26, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-cight Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 502 CHANCES;

## Tenor 18 cwt .

Alfred James
ilsaac Emery
George Dent
John Wheadon
..Treble | Edwin F. Pike..


PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Three Hours and Tatlve Minutes, At the Parish Church,
a Peal of granosire triples, 5040 Ghanges; Holt's Ten-Part.
Thomas Hastings ... ...Tycble
Tenor 26 cwt .
William Ireland
Alibert Wright ... ... Alibert Wright
Frank Cole $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Frank Cole } & . . . & . . & 7\end{array}$ Hobert Hanks ... ... ... Tenor

Whaing Hangs
Stine Hastings
William Hale ...
...Treble ... ... 3 Conducted by Albert $\mathrm{V}_{\text {right }}$.
IRung after meeting short for Grandsire Caters.

## PORTSMOUTH.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Threc Hours and Twenty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas a'Beckett,
a peal of double norwich court bob major, 5040 chances; Tenor 25 cwt . $2 \mathrm{qr} .$, in D.

| Josiah D. Harris | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | William T. Tocker | $\ldots$ | 5 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Lionel H. Page | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Wiliam H. George | $\cdots$ | 6 |
| John S. Rumming | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | Edivin J. Harding... | $\cdots$ | 7 | Alan R. Macdonald ... + George Williams ... ... Tenor Composed by Sir Arthur P. Heywood, Bart., and Conducted by George Williams.

This was the first peal on the bells since being recast and rehung in new frame and fittings by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co. It is also the first peal of Double Norwich in the Borough of Portsmouth.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Three Hours and Nineten Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF OXfORD TREBLE bOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 23 cwt ., in D flat.
 Composed by J. Reeves, and
Conducted by S. H. Symonds.
*First peal in the method. + First peal in the method on tower bells.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF StEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 Chances;
Thurstans' Four-Part.

| Frederick C. Lambert ...Tyeble | E. Hobart Smitil | .. | .. | 5 |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Willodghby E. Maulden | 2 | George E. Symond | $\ldots$ | 6 |  |  |  |
| Robert H. Hayward | $\ldots$ | 3 | James Motrs | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | 7 |


Conducted by J. Morts.

## HAGLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. -On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Tĩo Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. John,
A PEAL OF dOUble NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 Changes; Tenor 9 cwt .
Charles E. Perkins... ..Trebic William Short ...Treblo
John Bass
tr ... ...
... 3
Victor White
... Robers Mitturws
Composed by G. R. Newton, and
Conducted by R. Matthews.

CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Three Hour's and Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF OXfORD TREbLE 808 MAJOR, 5088 ChANGES; Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

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* First peal of Oxford.

KIBWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE KIBWORTH ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Three Howrs and Two Minutes, At the Church of St. Wilfred,
A PEAL OF GRAHDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
Parker's Six-Part.

OLDSWINFORD, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Fviday, December 27, 1912, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.


## ROTHWELL, NORTHANTS

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Friday, December 27, 1912, in Two How's and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 50 fo CHAMCES;

Heywood's Variation.

## Arthur E. Payne ... ...Treble

 Robert F. Turner Charles W. Bird J. Edward ChapranTenor 23 cwt .

Conducted by David J. Nichols.
First peal in the method by H. Peet and T. York, who belong to the local company.

HEENE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION On Friday, Deceinber 27, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Botolph,
a PEAL of Stedman triples, 5040 Changes;
 Thurstans' Four-Part.

| thir Arnell... | ...Tyeble | Horace Tulett |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John H. Paice ... | ... 2 | Benjamin Bassett |
| William Hillman | 3 | Edmund H. Lindup. |
| frred W. Groves |  | John Jervis |

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY. On Saturday, Decenber 28, 1912, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes, At the Church of Si. Paul,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAK TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Pitstow's Variation of Thurstans' Four-Part.
Tenor 28 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lbs .
$\begin{array}{lccccccc}\text { William C. Wakley... } & \text {..Treble } & \text { George Bull ........... } & 5 \\ \text { Edward I. Stome } & \ldots & \ldots & 2 & \text { Albert P. Wakley } & \ldots & 6\end{array}$

 Conducted by Joseph Griffin.
This is the first peal on the bells, and rung at the first attempt.

HECKINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Derember 28, 1912, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANCES;

## Tenor 20 cwt .

| *Walter H. Wood | ...Tyeble | Christopher Ward... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rev. H. Law James | ... 2 | John T. Holmes |
| Harry Thorpe... |  | Sidney Proctor |
| *Arthur Andrews | ... 4 | William Dickinson | Composed by J. Reeves, and

Conducted by the liev. H. Law James.

* First peal of Treble Bob Major.


## HADLEIGH, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Decenber 28, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF OXfORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 26 cwt ., in D .
$\dagger$ Arther Symonds
... ...Treble
*Arthur Keeble
Stedman H. Symonds.
Arthur Keeble ... ... 2 :Thomas Reed ... ... ... 6
*Frederick A. Poulson ... 3 -Thomas W. Garrard ... 7
W. R. John Poclson ... 4 William J. Nevard ${ }^{\text {.... Temor }}$ Composed by N. J. Pitstow, and Conducted by A. Symonds.

* First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal of Treble Bob as conductor.


## STEYNING, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 28, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL of stedman triples, 5040 changes,
Thurstans' Four-Part.
George Penfold ... ...Treble George J. Nariss ... ... 5 .
Horace Tulett ... ... 2 | Arthur Arnell ... ... 6
Arthur Hutchings … $\cdots \cdots$
Alfred W. Groves ... ... 4 George Gatlavd ... ... Tenor
Conducted by E. H. Lindop.
This was Horace Tuleut's $4^{\text {th }}$ peal of Stedman and 4th attempt. Previously he had only rung a 300 in the method.

## ECCLES.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 28, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Tenor ruat cwt.

- James Barratt... ... ...Treble Samdel Greenhalgh ... 5
- Edward Oldfield ... ... 2 Harry Chapman ... ... 6

John Jackson
Joseph Lowe
Joser ...
Joseph Lowe ... ... ... 4 | Amos Triplier ... ... ... Tenor:
Composed and Conducted by James W. Washbroor.

* First peal in the method. Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. A. Oates and Miss E. Smith, daughter of the late secretary of the Pendleton company.


## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, December 30, 1912, in Three Howrs and Sixtcen Minutes,
At the Church of St. James, Clerkenwell, E.C.,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHAMGES;
Tenor 2I cwt. 3 qr. 26 lbs.

| cbert Turner... | .Treble | Redben Sanders ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bertram Prenett | ... ... | Alfred W. Grimes |
| Charles T. Coles | ... ... 3 | James E. Davis |
| Frank Bennett | ... 4 | Ernest Pye |

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Bertram l'rewett.
This was the rooth peal rung by the conductor during 1912.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, December 30, 1912, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

| Philip Allfrey | Treble | Richard Stredwick |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arthor W. Gravett |  | Albert Harman |
| Capp | 3 | William C. Har |

 Composed by Natian J. Pitstow, and Conducted by Keith Hart.

## DEANE, BOLTON.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, December 30, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Mimtes, At the Church of St. Maxy,

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;

Thorstans' Four-Part.
Thomas Worsley ... ...Tveble
Fred Abbott ... ... ... 2
*William Tebay George Pincott ......$\quad 3$

George Pincoxa Conducted by T. Barlow. $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Joseph Ridyard } & \ldots & . . . & 5 \\ \text { John Potter } & . . & \ldots & . . & 6 \\ \text { Titus Barlow } & . . & . . & . . & 7\end{array}$

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor.

STOKE, COVENTRY. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Monday, December 30, 1912, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
Oswald J. Hunt ... ...Treble Joseph. H. White ... ... 2 William T. CoX $\quad \cdots$... 5 William H. Bronsdon ... 3 Frank E. Pervin ... ... 7 Adolphos Roberts ... ... 4 "William Maund ... ...Tenor Conducted by Frank E. Pervin.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung with the bells half-muffed as a token of respect for the memory of William Gilbert.


## HESTON, MIDDLESEX

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, December 30, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minetes, At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-Part.
Henry W. Cowley ... ...Treble Charles I. Edwards Thomas J. Barker $. . . \quad . .$. Charles S. Bird … 3 Ernest R. Gladman ... 7 Charles S. Bird ... ... 4 *Henry W. G. Cooper ...Teror Conducted by Sydney Carter.

* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. F. E. Becker, of Sutton Hall, Heston.


## OLDBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Monday, December 30, 1912, in Ti* Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

 Parker's Six-Part.Tenor io cwt.
Miss Madd Pigott ... ...Tyeble
Miss Sarah Pigott ... .... 2
George pig .... 3 Reuben hall ... ... ...
 Conducted by Joseph Pigott.
*First peal in the method and first peal in the method on the bells.

HEENE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, December 30, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Botolph,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHAHGES;
Heywood's Variation.

| Harry Meetens... | reble | John H. Palce. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Benjamin Bassett | 2 | William Hillman |  |
| Arthlor Arnell |  | Alfred W. Groves |  |
| Edmond H. Lindup | 4 | John Jervis |  | Conducted by A. W. Groves.

## HEENE, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, December 31, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Botolph,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thorstans' Four-Part.

Conducted by E. H. Lindup.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Holy Trinity Society.)
On Tuesday, December 31, 1912, in Three Howrs and Sixteen Minutes, At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE ;

Thorstans' Foor-Part.
Ben Chorley ... ... ...Treble Charles Hazeldey
Henry Hotion ... ... 2 Henry L. Garfath ... 6

| *Bernard Clark | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Charles Willshire | ... | 7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Madrice Smither | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Alfred H. Pulling | .. Teno |  |

Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.

* First peal of Stedman. C. Hazelden's 5oth peal. This was the first peal on the bells since the rehanging. Rung with the bells half= muffled for Watchnight Service.

SAFFRON WALDEN.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, December 31, 1912, in Thvee Howrs and Twenty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Frederick Pitstow... ...Treble Nathan J. Pitstow ... 5
*Frederick Hodsden ... 2 George Sparrow ... ... 6
*Harold Pitstow ... ... 3 Arthor James ... ... ... 7
Ernest A. Pitstow $\cdots \cdots, 4$ Frederick J. Pitstow .... 4 Tenor Composed by N. J. Pirstow, and Conducted by F. Pitstow.

- First peal.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, December 31, 1912, in Three Hours and Tevo Minutes, At the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor if cwt.

| •Hugh Grefory... | ... | ...Treble | Alfred C. Wright | ... | 5 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| James L. Wright | ... | .. | 2 | Edwin Blackwall ... | .. | 6 |

James L. Wright...

| Henry Gregory | ... | ... | 3 | William Taylor ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Thomas White... | .. | .. | 4 | John W. Derbyshire | ...$T e n o r$ | Conducted by W. Taylor.

* First peal of Stedman. Rung with the bells half-muffed.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, Decomber 31, 1912, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Church of St. Nicolas,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

 Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. 26 lbs ., in G.

FOXEARTH, ESSEX.
On Tuesday, December 31, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 7 cwt o qr. 17 lbs .

| Sidney Gridley ... | ...Treble | Percy Gridley | ... |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Walter P. Gridley | 2 | Arthur Maxim... |  |  |
| Frederick Inch... | ... 3 | Arthur Taylor | $\ldots$ |  |
| Thomas Chinery | .. 4 | Samuel Evans... |  |  |

FARNHAM, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Tuesday, December 31, 1912, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES; Parker's Twelve-Part.

## Tenor 2I cwt.

William G. Elkins... ...Treble - Ernest J. King... Alfred J. LeClerç †Alfred R. Elkins

Frederick A. Barnett. Edward Clapshaw... Charles Edwards. Walter Sherfield ...T Tino

Conducted by C. Edwards.

* First peal on eight bells. + First peal with a bob bell. Rung as a farewell to the Rector and Mrs. Lovett who are leaving Farnham for St. Mary's, Southampton.


## SCUNTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE. <br> THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Northern Branch.)

On Tuesday, December 31, 1912, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. John,
A PEAL DF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CMANGE ;
Holt's Ten-Part.
Tenor 18 cwt
T. H. Parkin N. Short
W. A. Miller J. E. Smith ...
... ...Treble … $\quad$... 1 reblc 2
3 4
T. P. Hocknell
H. Oliver
G. Vamplew
H. Strickland...

Conducted by N. Short.
Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Dr. Couldrey, one of the first churchwardens of the church. First muffled peal on the bells.

## EDENBRIDGE, KENT.

 THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.On Tuesday. December 31, 1912, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES: Thorstans Four-Part.
James Heasman ......
James Heasman ... Richard Jenner...

Tenor I4 $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Ernest Leigh ... } & \text {... } & \text {... } & 5 \\ \text { George Malyan } & . . & . . & 6\end{array}$ William Leigh ... $. . . \quad . . .3^{3}$ John W. Steddy $\quad .$. Conducted by John W. Stedey.
First peal of Stedman by the ringers of 4 th and tenor. This is the first peal in the method on the new bells and was rung by members of the local band.

## LIVERPOOL.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, December 31, 1912, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES; Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| Edward Caunce | ...Treble | George Woodhall... |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Henry Fyles | 2 | *Thomas Murray | 6 |
| George R. Newion. | 3 | Edwin Breese | 7 |
| William Davies | .. 4 | $\dagger$ Edward W. Dutton | ... Tentor |

- First peal in the method. +First peal. Rung on the front eight. This peal was rung on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the opening of the bells at Liscard St Mary's, at which tower it was proposed to be rung, but illness intervened. It is twenty-nine years since an eightbell peal was rung in this tower, Mr. W. Davies then ringing his first peal.


## EASTBOURNE.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Tuesday, December 31, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At Christ Chorch,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
John Capp


George H. Howse ... ... 2
Richard Stredwick ... ... 3 Arthor Gower ...

Conducted by Keith Hart.
Tenor 81 cwt., in A.
 Ernest Gower 7 Arthor Gower

This is the quickest peal of Stedman on the bells.
HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Decenber 31, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalen,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES; Tenor 12 cwt.
*James Wheeler ... ...Treble "William Wheeler... ... 5
George Dent ... ... ... 2 Henry F. Cooper ... ... 6


* Harry Bottrill ... ... 4 . Harry Smale ......

Composed by Hy. Dains, and
Conducted by G. Dent.

* First peal in the Oxford Variation.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Sheffield District Society.)
On Tuesday, December 31, 1912, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At the Churgh of St. Mary and All Saints,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor $24 \frac{7}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and Conducted by Sam Thomas.
Rung, after meeting short for Stedman Caters, as a compliment to the composer, it being the 50th anniversary of his first peal, one of Stedman Caters, which was rung on these bells, Dec. 3 Ist, 1862. Mr. Hattersley is the sole survivor of the band. Not being well enough to ring, he was an interested listener of the peal.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.
On Wednesiay, January 1, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

## Tenor $20 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in E .

John M. Button ..
..Treble George Wilson
Leonard P. Bailey... .... 2 Ed Eqar H. Bailey ..... .5
Charles Sampson ... ... 3 James M. Bailey ......
Ernest S. Bailey ... ... 4 Charles F. Bailey... ... Teror Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.
Rung in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Button, of King's Road, Leiston.

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.<br>On Thursday, Janaary 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,<br>A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Rowland O. Pollard ...Treble | Harry Argyle... ... ... 5 Geopfrey J. Stoneley ... 2 James F. Clarke, Junr.... 6 Walter Martin ... ... 3 Thomas W. Chapman ... 7 Rev. R. P. Farrow... ... 4 E. Harry Stoneley ...Tenor Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by E. Harry Stoneley.
This peal was rung with the bells half muffled, as a mark of respect to Miss Nowill, who passed away a few days previously. She was for many years Superintendent of St. Nicholas' Girls' Sunday School.

## EDMONTON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, January 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Heywood's Variation of Thurstans' Four-Part


| George Paice | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | John Thomas ... ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| James Parker | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | 4 | William Anderson... |  | Conducted by Miss E. K. Parker.

Quickest peal on the bells.

## CHILHAM, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, January 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

 Pitstow's Variation. Tenor 20 cwt . Edward Trendill ..... .4 4 Edwin G. Buesden ...Tenor Conducted by Edinin G. Boesden.
First peal on the bells since restoration by Messrs. Warner \& Son. The "go" of the bells is excellent.

## ROLVENDEN, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(The Romney Marsh and District Guild.)
On Satwday, January 4, 1973, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.

| Cyril Wenham.. | Treble | William H. Lambert ... 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alfred Johnson | 2 | George Billenness ... 6 |
| Frederick G. Burden | 3 | Charles Tribe... ... ... 7 |
| Alfred Daw | ... 4 | Alfred Blackman ... ...Tenor |

## Conducted by George Bilienness.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday', January 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Parish Church of St. Barnabas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Sir A. P. Heywood's Variation of Thurstans. Tenor I5 cwt. I qr. I 5 lbs., in $F$.


| †Jonathan Preston ... | ... | 3 | George F. Swann ... | .... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| †Joher |  |  |  |  |  |

Conducted by George F. Swann.

* First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal in the method away from tenor. Rung on the nearest Saturday to the Epiphany.


## SIX 8 FIVE BELL PEALS.

CHEDDINGTON, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (North Bucks Branch.)
On Saturday, December 21, 1912, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes. At the Church of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHARGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, College
Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Violet, Oxford and Kent. Tenor 13 cwt .

Leonard A. Smith ... ...Treble Walter W. Bonham ... 4 | Albert J. Green | ... | .. | 2 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Edwin Yates | Thomas C. Tompkins | $\ldots$ | 5 | Edwin Yates ... ... ... 3 Cecil A. Valentine ... Tenov Conducted by Cecil A. Valentine.

First peal on the bells. The ringers desire to thank the Rector (the Rev. J. A. Broad) for the use of the bells. The peal was rung on the 39 th anniversary of the Ordination of the Rector, who, with his daughters, congratulated the band on the striking. The ladies are members of the local company.

TUNSTALL, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, December 25, 1912, in Two Hou's and Thirty-four Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Percy J. Spice ... ... ...Tyeble | William E. Spice ... ... 4 George H. Spice ... ... 2 Thomas Jull ... William H. B. Wilkins... 3 William Spice... ... ...T Tenoy Conducted by William Spice.
This peal came round at $8.15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.
HEATHFIELD, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912. in Three Hours and Ten Minutes. At the Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB NINOR, 5040 CHAMGES;
Being seven 720's, each called differently.
Tenor 12 cwt .
*William J. Barrow ...Treble †Alfred C. Pankhorst ... 4 Charles Brett $\ldots . . . .2^{2}$ ҒWilliam H. Wicker... Oliver Collins ... ... 3 Arthor R. Miles ... ... Tenor Conducted by Arthur R. Miles.

* First peal of Minor. $\dagger$ First peal on an inside bell. $\ddagger$ First peal and first attempt.


## CAPEL, SURREY.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Tito Hou's and Thirty-tzo Mintes,
At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Being 720 each of Woodbine, London Scholars' Pleasure, Kent, College Pleasure, Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, and Oxford. Tenor $7 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.
Albert Hills ... ... ...Treble Fredk. R. Tollett, Junt. 4 John Akehorst ... ... ... 2 *Horace Edwards ... ... 5 Percy F. Weller ... ... 3 Fredk. R. Tullett, Sent. Tenor

Conducted by Fredk. R. Tollett, Senr.

* First peal in seven Treble Bob methods.

FULBOURN, CAMBRIDGE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes. At the Chorch of St. Vigor and All Saints,

$$
\text { A PEAL OF NINOR, } 5040 \text { CHANGES; }
$$

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

Tenor 14 cwt.
Henry Badcock... ... ...Tyeble William Scotcher... ... 4
 John Stalley ... ... ... 3 Basil D. Buttress... ... Tenor

## Conducted by Basil D. Buttress.

First peal in seven methods by the ringers of the treble and 5 th, and believed to be the first on the bells.

EASTON NESTON, NORTHANTS.
THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Two Hours and Twenty-six Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary,
A peal of grandsire doubles, 5040 changes;
Tenor roly c cwt.
James Slarke ... ... ...Treble $\mid$ George W. Beesley ... 4 Cecil H. Slarie ... ... 2 J. Wilfred Sharp ... ... 5 Charles S. Faulkner ... 3 Thomas Denny ... ... Tenor Conducted by J. Wilfred Sharp.

* First peal. This is the first peal on the bells by an entirely local band. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar (the Rev. R. C. Collins), for the use of the bells.


## COTGRAVE, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUN'IES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double and Single Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor $17 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.


## STONY STRATFORD, BUCISS. <br> THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(North Bucks Branch.)
On Thursday, December 26, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Giles,

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

Being 720 each of London Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, College
Pleasure, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Violet and Oxford. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
Walter W. Bonham... ...Treble | Albert J. Green
Herbert C. Edwards $\ldots l^{2}$ Thomas C. Tompkins
Edwin Yates ... ... ... 3 Cecil A. Valentine ... Tenor Conducted Cecil A. Valentine.

## WOLLASTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Friday, December 27, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-thrce Minutes, At the Chorch of St. James,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury and Plain Bob. Tenor i2d cwt. Walter J. Bretherton ...Treble Charles E. Perkins......${ }^{2} \quad 2 \quad$ Gordon Checkitis... William Short ...... Conducted by W. Short.

PATTISHALL, NORTHANTS.
TIIE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Friday, December 27, 1912, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Chorch of the Holy Cross,
A PEAL OF BOB NINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr . 12 lbs.

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WALTHAM ST. LAURENCE, 13ERKS. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, December 28, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF BOB NINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being seven 720 's each called differently.

*First peal. $\dagger$ First peal away from treble. First peal on the bells by an entirely local band.

MONKSILVER, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 28, 1912, in Two Hou's and Forty-fivo Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGE8;

Being 42 Six-Scores. Tenor lo cwt.
Henry Watts ... ... ...Treble *Frink Calloway ... ... 3
*William Calloway $\quad . . . \quad 2 \quad \mid$ "Arthur Snell...
William Bennett ... ...Tenor
Conducted by William Bennett.

* First peal.


## BRANT BROUGHTON, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Northern Branch.)

On Saturday, December 28, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes, At the Church of St. Helen,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Consisting of two 720's each of Single Court and Oxford Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 23 cwt 2 qr .26 lbs .
Albert G. Payne ... ...Treble | Charles W. Else ... ... 4 Charles W. Baines ... 2 George Scott ... Richard W. Porter ... 3 Caleb L. Simcock ... ...Tenor Conducted by George Scott.
The band are all residents of Fulbeck.
SEALE, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, December 28, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;

Being one 720 of College Single, two each of Canterbury, Oxford Single and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt .
Charles Edwards ... ...Treble Alfred Croucher... ... 4 Hubert Chaffey... ... ... 2 George Fisher ... ... 5 Alfred Chuter ..

C… $\cdots 3$ Walter Marshall .... Tenoy Edwards.
W. Marshall hails from Lamberhurst and was proposed a member of the Guild previous to starting for the peal.

## MATHON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE HEREIORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, December 28, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Plain Bob, Oxford Bob and College Single. Tenor 8 cwt . Christopher Bowers ...Treble| Andrew IAyton
... $\quad . .4$
 Ernest Gibbs ... ..... .13 George Jordan ... ... Tenor Conducted by Charles Layton.
Rung with the bells half muffled, for Holy Innocents' Day.

## BELBROUGHTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, December 28, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt .
Walter J. Bretherton ...Treble $\mid$ John Bass ... ... ... ... 4 Charles E. Perkins ... 2 Robert Matthews ... ... 5 William Short... ... ... 3 John Barber ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by W. Short.

## THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, December 30, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge and Norwich Surprise, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 9 cwt .


Conducted by William Rose.
TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Decmber 30, 1912, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720 's each of Kent and Oxford, and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 20 cwt .
†Fredk. Seager ... ... ...Treble $\begin{aligned} & \text { Fredk. C. M. Skinner... } 4 \\ & 4\end{aligned}$ Albert Brown ... $. . . \quad . . .2^{2}$ George Snelling.. .5 *Clarence Gooch ... ... 3 Bertie Turner ... ... Tenor Conducted by F. Seager.

- First peal of Minor with a bob bell. † First peal as conductor.


## TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, December 37, 1912, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being 720 each of York, Durham, Wells, London, Cambridge, Norwich, and Netherseale. Tenor 20 cwt.
Clarence Gooch ... ...Treble Frederick Mavser... ... 4 George Snelling ... ... 2 John Snelling... ... ... 5 Bertie Turner... ... ... 3 Frederick Seager ... ....Tenor Conducted by John Snelling.
First peal as conductor.
EARL SOHAM, SUFFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, December 31, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF minor, 5040 CHANGES;
Being three 720's of College Single and two each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
 Conducted by W. G. Crickmer.
*First peal. † First peal inside. Rung in honour of the wedding of Capt. Farrier and Miss N. Russell, of The Elms, Earl Soham. This was the conductor's rooth peal for the Norwich Diocesan Association.

NORBURY, HAZEL GROVE, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. (Bowdon and Stockport Branch.)
On Wednesday, January 1, 1913, in Tivo Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Thomas,

## A PEAL OF TRERLE BOB WinOR, 5040 CHAHCES;

Being 720 each of Islington, Neasden, College Bob IV., Wragby, Kingston, London Scholars' Pleasure and Sandal Exercise. Tenor 9 cwt.
 Conducted by James Fernley.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal away from treble. The above methods are all broken leads, and are taken from the C.C. collection.

SHROPHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, Tanuary 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutis,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUbLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 20 Six-Scores of Grandsire, ro of Canterbury Pleasure,

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\text { and } 12 \text { of Plain Bob. Tenor II } \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{} \mathrm{cwt} \text {. }
$$

Horace W. Allen ... ...Tyeble Edgar Hunt ... ... ... 3
Wilfred Allen ... ... 2 *Fred Shingfield ... ... 4
Herbert H. Mason... ...Tenoy Conducted by H. H. Mason.
*First peal with an inside bell. Rung with ten different callings of Grandsire, four of Canterbury Pleasure, and four of Plain Bob. First peal by an entirely local company, all of whom with the exception of the conductor are natives of Shropham. Rung with the bells half muffed as a tribute of respect to the late Rev. William Smythe Thorpe, who was for upwards of 60 years a supporter of the Shropham ringers.

## CRONDALL, HANTS

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Suturday, Janatary 4, 1913, in Three Fours and Four Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one 720 College Single and two each of Canterbury, Oxford
Single and Plain Bob.
George Fisher ... ...Treble George Upshall ..... .2 Thomas Upshall... *Alfred Crodcher ... ... 3 Charles Edwards ... ... Tinor Conducted by C. Edwards.
First peal on the bells.
STOKE GOLDING, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, January 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Margaret,
A PEAL of 8URPRISE and treble bob minor, 5040 changes;
In seven methods, viz.-London Surprise, Beverley Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, College Bob IV, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor io cwt.
Rowland O. Pollard ...Treble Walter J. Horton ... 4 Geoffrey J. Stoneley ... 2 Thomas W. Chapman ... 5 Thomas H. Vallance ... 3 E. Harry Stoneley ...Tenor Conducted by E. Harry Stoneley.
Rung for the Festival of the Circumcision, and on the eve of the Epiphany.

## EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Southern Branch.)
On Saturday, January 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minuts, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor rot $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
*Frank Witts ... ... ...Treble | Harvey Streets ... ... + $\dagger$ Тhomas Middleton ... 2 †William Gisborne ... ... 5 †John Hampton ... ... 3 James Hemming ... ...Tenar Conducted by James Hemming.

* First peal and first attempt. † First peal of Minor

> ROLLESTON-ON-DOVE, STAFFORDSHIRE THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
> On Saturday, January 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,
> a Peal of stedman doubles, 5040 changes;
> Being 42 Six-Scores, called in I5 different ways. Tenor 12 cwt.
> Herbert Hurdman... ...Tyeble Joseph T. Dyke ... ... 4 Harry Wakley ... ... 2 Albert F. Wakley ... 5 *Charles Sanders ... ... 3 *Philip Sudale ... ...Tenor Conducted bv A. I'. Vakley.

* First peal of Stedman. First peal of Stedman Doubles by all, on tne bells, and by the Association.


## DISLEY, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUIID (Bowdon and Stockport Branch.)
On Saturday, Januay 4, 1913, in Troo Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being $7_{20}$ each of Wragby, Islington, Duke of Norfolk, Norbury, Kingston, London Scholars' Pleasure, and Sandal Exercise.

Tenor 9 cwt.
George D. Warburton ...Tyeble | Rev. A. T. Beeston ... 4 William Fernley ... ... 2 Allen S. Gordon ... ... 5 James Fernley ... ... ... 3 | John W. Hartley ...Tenor Conducted by John W. Hartley
The above methods are all broken leads and are taken from the C.C collection.

## LOWICK, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION On Saturday, January 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and two each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt .
*Herbert Guest
Thomas Jervis...
Leonard Wyman
...Treble John Guest

## Conducted by Richard Dunkley.

- First peal. First peal in five methods by L. Wyman and J. Guest. Messrs. H. and J. Guest were elected members of the Association before starting for the peal.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

BOURNE, LINCOLNSHIRE THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
(Southern Branch.)
On Sunday, December 29, 1912, in One Hour and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Residence of Mr. J. Osborn,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being three 720's of Oxford Bob, and four 720's of Plain Bob. John W. Lake

James Osborn ... ... 5-6
Conducted by John W. Lake.
Witness: Mrs. J. Osborn.

## LONDON

THE ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY, FULHAM.
On Monday, December 30. 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minates, In the Belfry of All Saints' Church, Fulham, S.W

## A PEAL OF bOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

## Tenor. size ir in G sharp.

Miss Elsie L. Bennett i-2 William Shepherd ... 3-4 Frank I. Hairs

> James W. Driver ... 9-io.

Composed by Frank Bennett, and
Conducted by William Shepherd.
Umpire: W. J. S. Knights.
This composition, now rung for the first time, contains the 6th twelve times wrong and twelve times right.

## WISBECH, CAMBRIDGESHIRE

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DIS'TRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Twesday', December 31, 1912, in Two Hoters and Six Minutes, At "York Villa," Wisbech,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's each called differently.
Arthur W. Wenlock... ... I |Thomas Haines ... ... 3-4
Horace Banham ... ... ... 2 Stanley Andrews ... ... 5 Ralph Narborough ... 6
Conducted by Ralpa Narborough
*First double-handed peal, and the first ever rung in Wisbech with two bells rung by one man.

## OXHEY, HERTS

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Jancary 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, at 43. Heath Road,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 GHANGES:

George N. Price... ... 1 - 2 George E. Howchin ... 7 - 8
Henry Hodgetts... ... 3-4 Hubert Eden... ... ... 9-io William Hodgetts ... 5-6 Charles N. Lemon ...it-12

Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and
Conducted by George N. Price
Umpire: Thomas L. Simmons.
This composition has the 6th 24 courses in 6th's place, with the bells in the tittums position throughout.

HARWICH, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Thursidy. Janary 2, 1913, in Tuo Hours and One Minute.
At the Residence of A. T. Morris,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Arthur T. Morris ... i-2 | Thomas H. Bernard ... 5-6 George Thompson ... 3-4 Tower Taylor ... ... 7 - 8 Composed by J. Reeves, and Conducted by A. T. Morris.

The peal rung at Ickieton, Cambs., on Dec. 21st., was under the auspices of the Ely Diocesan Association.

## THE BELLS OF WHITCHURCH.

The gladsom: scund of the Church bells of Whitchurch, Oxon, was heard once again on the evening of Monday, December 23rd. They have not been rung for some time owng to the unsafe condition of the old wool frame, and it was dscided by the Rector (Canon Trotter) and churchwardens to entrust the work of making a new steel frame to the well-known firm of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon.At first it was intended to have the bells retuned, but they having been supplemeated at different times with a result not pleasing, the wiser coursc was adopted of having the whole peal recast.
At the service, when the bells were dedicated by the Ven. Archdeacon of Oxford, a selected band rang rounds after the prayer of dedication, and at the close of the service a first rate 360 of Bob Minor. After this touch other ringers tried the bells with varying success, as the easy going-a result of the excellent workmanship of Messrs. Gillett and Johneton-puzzled some of them, who in the ordinary course are used to bells that require more exertion to ring them.The band selected to ring the opening touch was: J. Nicholls (Pangbourne), W. Lawrence (West Ealing), J. Abery (Theale), A. C. West (Pangbourne), C. F. Johnston (Croydon), J. Bower (Goring). Later in tho evening, the band was entertained to supper by the kind invitation of the Rector. -The first 720 of Bob Minor was rung on the recast bells on Saturday, Dec. 28th, by: J. Nicholls i, W. Lawrence 2, Miss Mary Chillingworth (Bradficld) 3, G. Parsons (Theale) 4, J. Abery 5, J. Bower 6. Several other methods were rung, the conducting being shared by: J. Abery, W. Lawrence and J.' Bower.The local band, who are to receive instruction from the last-named ringers, will bo in good hands.

## ANOTHER PEAL OF TEN FOR LANCASHIRE.

Dalton-in-Furness, famed for its intimate associations with Furness Abbey, which ranks next to Forntains Abbey as tire most beatiful relic of Mediæval England, is soon to have a new ring of ten bells, based upon a tenor to weigh 22 ewt., in the key of $\mathbf{E}$ flat. Instructions hatve been given to Messrs. John Warner and Sons, of tho Spitalfields Foundry, to crect one of their special steel frames, constructed for ten bells, and to east the back cight Dells. Efforts are now being made to collect the necessary funds for the two treble bells, and it is fully expected that the complete ring of ten will bo available in time for the dedication.

Owing to pressure on our space we have unavoidably to hold over several interasting arlicles including the continuration of Mr. Trollopie's article

## DESFORD'S NEW PEAL OF SIX.

The three bells which for nearly 300 years have been used in the service of the Church at Desford, Leicestershire, have been recast and augmented to a peal of six, with a tenor of $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. The work, which has been carried out by Messrs. J. W. Taylor and Co., has been executed in the vary best style, and is typical of the thoroughness with which things are done by the famous Loughborough firm. The peal is the gift of the Goodacre family, who for over 100 years have resided at Desford Mill, and are erected to the memory of Mr. Joseph Halford Goodacre. The bells are inscribed as follows:-
Troble.-"Ring in the true. In memory of Joseph Halford Goodacre, 1912.'
2nd-"God save the King, 1675. Recast 1912, in memory of Joseph Halford Goodacre."

3rd-r" Iesvs bee ovr speed, 1658. Recasl 1912, in memory of Joseph Halford Goodacre.'
4th-" Newcombe of Leicester made mee, 1609. Recast "1912, in memory of Joseph Halford Goodacre.'
5th.- "God bless His Church. In memory of Joseph Halford Goodacre, 1912."
Temor-" Guard and bless our Fatherland. In memory of Joseph Halford Goodacre, 1912."
The dedication service, which took place on Monday week, was largely attended, and the ceremony was performed by the Bishop of Leicester. Following the dedicatory prayers, the bells pealed out merrily for a few minutes, and then followed the hymn, "Lifted safe within the steeple." The Bishop's appropriate address dealt with the part which the beautiful parish churches of England play in the lives of the people.-The ringing was carried out by the ringers of St. John's Church, Leicester, under the conductorship of Mr. W. Willson.

## NEW BELLS FOR PERRANWELL.

The pretty little Church of St. Piran, m Cornwall, is now in possession of a ring of beautifully-toned bells, which were cast in the Loughborough foundry, and which have been dedicated by Canon Hassard, Sub-Dean of Truro Cathedral. The weights of the bells are: Treble, 4 cwt.; 2nd, 4 cwit. 3 qrs.; 3rd, 6 cwt.; 4 th, 6 cwt. 3 qrs.; 5 th, 9 cwt ; tenor, 12 cwt., in G. The tenor was given by Mrs. Yose (Mellingey), and the others by Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Paull, Mrs. HearleCock and Inrs. W. H. Edwards; Mr. T. P. Edwards gave the chiming apparatus; ald Mrs. J. C. Williams a donation of $£ 100$. The opening touch ( 60 Grandsire Doubles) was well struck by members of the Kea band, who were invited over to open the bells. The ringers were as follows: H. Chegwidden 1, W. Greet 2, Miss E. Fisher 3, H. Harris 4, J. Thomas 5, Rev. R. H. Soveil 6.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIA TION:

A very well-attended meeting of the Manchester branch was held at the Town Hall, Manchester, on Saturday last. Representatives wore present from Manchester, Ashton-under-Lyne, Didsbury, Worsley, Eccles, Pendleton, Reddish, Stockport. Middleton, Hyde, Miles Platting, Prestwich, Whitefield, Birch, etc. The chair was taken by Mr. J. Barratt (vice-president of the Association), who gave a hearty welcome to the visitors, and urged all members to comply with the rules of the Association, especially in regard to the subscriptions, as peals could not be entered in the report unles, rung by bona-fide members-Mr. Amos Simpson, of St. John's, Miles Platting, was elected a performing member, and the Rev. H. A. Hudson an honorary life member of the Association-Mr. W. H. Idle expressed pleasure in seeing at the meeting Miss Edith R. Barnes, who took part in a course of Grandsire Caters, and he hoped other ladies would take interest in the beautiful art of change ringing.-Mr. J. Ridyard urged members to talke a keener interest in the higher methods. -The Cathedral was chosen as the next place of meeting, and a vote of thanks was accorded the authorities for the use of the bells, etc.-Touches of Plain Bob, Grandsire and Stedman were rung.

## DEATH OF AN OLD COVENTRY RINGER.

The death of William Glbert, which occurred on Christmas Eve, after a short illness, takes away the only survivor of the old St. Michacl's company of change ringers, Coventry, and thus one of the few connctions of this fine peal of bells with change ringing is severed. IIe was 72 years of age, and was a member of the St. Michael's company from an early agc to the time the tower was declared unsafe, now some 27 years ago. Since then he had been steeplekecper at Trinity Church, and, assisted by his sons, used to chime the eight bells which are erceted in a wooden campanile and unsafe for ringing.
Ho only took part in one peal, that being when he rang the tenor of St. Michael's, on Easter Monday, April 7th, 1877, to a peal of 5003 Grandisire Caters, conducted by the late Henry Bastable, of Birmingham, but he took a keen interest in cliange ringing, and about seven years ago rang the tenor at Stoke Church to a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples.
His funcral took place on Monday, December 30th, and in the evening the Stoke band rang a peal of Stedman Triples, with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect for his memory.

## SALISBURY GUILD.

PROGRESS IN THE DEVIZES BRANCH.
The annual meeting of the Devizes Branch of the Salisbury Guild was held at Southbroom, on Saturday afternoon last, when among those present were the Rev. J. A. Sturton (chairman), Vicar of Market Lavington; the Rev. Canon Gardiner, Vicar of Southbroom; the Rev. P. W. G. Filleul, Rector of Devizes; Rev. H. E. Tilney-Bassett, Rector of Beechingsioke; Rev. Evelyn Smith, Curate of Southbroom; MIr. H. Brownlee West (hon. branch secretary), and ringers from Westbury, Chirton, Beechingstoka, Southbroom, St. Mary's and St. John's, Devizes; Market Lavington, and Great Gheverell. An excellent tea, kindly given by Canon Gardiner, in the Southbroom Parish Room, was enjoyed by a comvany numbering 39 .
At the business meeting which followed, the annual report of the branch was read, and upon the proposal of the Rev. J. A. Sturton seconded by the Rev. H. E. Tilney-Bassett, was unanimously adopted and confirmed.-The balance sheet for the year was also unanimously adopted.-On the proposition of Mr. H. B. West, seconded by Mr. M. Haslehurst, the Rev. J. A. Sturton was unanimously elected as chairman for 1913, the resolution being carried with great applause

The Secretary, Mr. H. Brownlee West, was again asked to contimue in office for another year, and upon the proposal of the Rev. H. E. Tilney-Bassett, seconded by Mr. C. D. Heginbothom, he was elected with hearty applause. Both gentlemen made suitable replies, thanking the ringers for their kind expressions of gratitude for their past services, assuring them of the pleasure it gave them to continue in their respective offices, and that they would do their utmost to pramote the further progress of the Guild.
The annual report showed that twelve meetings had been held during 1912., at all of which the attendance had been very good, and. showing an average attendance of 28 . During the year, five additional towers had joincd the Guild, viz.: Bradford, Edington, Fittleton, Market Lavington. and Bishops Cannings, while Marden, Enford, and Bratton have promised to join for 1913. The past year has been an important one, inasmuch as the bells at four towers had been restored and rehung, viz.: Trowbridge, Seend, Enford, and Bishops Canninge. The tenor at Scend was recast, and at Enford a new treble was added to make a ring of six.
The next three meeting were decided upon as iollows: February 1st, Westbury; April 5th, Erchfont; May 3rd, Trowbridge.
Upen the proposition of Mr. West, and secondeil by Mr. Heginbothom, a threefold vote of thanks was accorded io Canon Gardiner for his kindness in providing the tea, allowing the use of his parish room, and also the use of the church bells.-A vote of thanks was also given to the Rector of Derizes, for the use of St. John's bells, which, with those at Southbroom, were kept going from 3.0 p.m. until 8 oclock.-Short touches of Grandaire Doubles and Bob Triples were also rung on the handbells, by MIr. and Mrs. H. B. West, Mr. Hart, Mr. Chapman, and Mr. Edwards.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Stroud and District Branch of the Glou. cester and Bristol Diocesan Association was held at Chalford on Saturday week. All day there was heavy rain, and it speaks volumes for the enthusiasm of the members that 32 ringers attended from. Painswick, Stroud, Minchinhampton, Avening, Bisley, Horsley, Stonehouse and Chalford. The novel and interesting peal of six steel bells were raised in peal at 4 p.m., and some good touches of Grandsire and Bob Doubles and Bob Minor were rung until 6 p.m. Service was then held in the church, and besicies the ringers several parishioners attended. The Vicar (the Kev. A. E. Addenbroake) took the service, at which special prayers and hymns from the Association's form of service were used. The singing was quite a feature of the service, the men's voicos, led by the choir, uniting finely in the splendid ringers' hymns, set to the tunes of St. Oswald and Deerhurst. This prepared the way for a most practical and helpful address by the Rev. H. P.; Barchard, from the words: "God so loved the world that He gave." At the mission room an excellent tea was provided by the kind. friends at Chalford, the Vicar and churchwardens and the Rev. H. P. Barchard being present. A business meeting followed, at which the Vicar presided. The hon. secretary (Mr. William Hale) gave his report on the years work, in which the stated that eleren meetings had been held, twenty ne-w members elected, and one tower added to the branch. He also made the financial statement for the year.-The report and accounts were considered most satisfactory, and cordial thanks were accorded to the branch committee and officers, who were re-elected en bloc.-Hearty votes of thanks were also accorded to the Vicar and churchwardens, and to the Rev. H. P. Barchard and all who had helped to make the meeting so successful.-The Vicar and churchwardens responded, and heartily welcomed the pisitors to Chalford. The hope was expressed that the gathering would be the means of stimulating the ringing at Chalford, and that the bells would be rung regulnerly for the festivals and services of the church. Eight new members were clected, including all the local society, and Minchinhampton was unanimously selected as the place for the quarterly meet ing in March, and Woodchester and Leonard Stanley for the monthly meetings. The handbells were brought into use, and there was afterwards more ringing on the tower bells, which brought a most successful meeting to a close.

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Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on May 11th, 1912.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association, June1st.
Stedman Cinques by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17th.
Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the Kent Association, December 7th, 1912.

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for 20 years, and their last addition has been with them ten years. This is a proof of what can be done by constant practice with the same company. The band would like to know if this is a record. They have also broken their own record by ringing in 1912 over 80 complete 720 's in 54 dilferent methods.

## ODD CHANGES.

## Collected from all Quarters.

The long peal attempt at Ashton-under-Lyne on Saturday came to an unfortunate ending. After 2 hrs. 50 mins . singing the conductor missed a bob, and the bells were stopped. Better luck next time.

We are asked to state that the dedication of the screen in Drayton Church, in memory of the late Rev. F. E, Robinson, is fixed to take place on Saturday, February ist.

Leonard Pye, although he rang his first peal of Stedman at the age of 13 , is not quite the youngest ringer to score a peal in that method. On October 23rd, 1905, at Arklow, Ireland, the following were in a band that rang a peal of Stedman: Treble, W. R. Washbrook, aged in years; 2, A. F. Shepherd, aged I4; 4, J. W. Washbrook, junr., aged 13 .

Mr. J. Thomas, the captain of the Kea band, has been presented with a handsome pocket letter case by the Truro Cathedral ringers and by the younger members of the Kea band. Mr. Thomas takes the keenest interest in ringing, and has been spending regularly one and sometimes two evenings a week for the past year in instructing the newlyformed Cathedral company.

Onc or two of those whose names we gave last week as having taken part in over 40 peals during 1912 added one more to their total on the last evening of the year. Mr. K. Hart raised his number rung to 55 and conducted to 33; Mr. G. Williams his total to 4 I rung and 34 conducted. Mr. I. G. Shade was another who during the 12 months rang over the half century, his score being 58 . Mr. J. H. B. Hesse rang 42. Mr. J. Hunt's 55 included one tower bell peal, all the rest being on handbells. He rang no fewer than 65 handbell peals in succession, owing to the bells in the Guildford towers being unpealable. Mr. J. Motts conducted 25 peals, out of 26 rung during 1912.

Southwark Cathedral must be among the "lucky" towers. Treble Twelve, Stedman Cinques and now Cambridge Maximus have been rung there within a month. The tenor, as is well known, is over 50 cwt., and it speaks volumes for the excellent work of the bellhangers (Messrs. Mears and Stainbank) that the bells go so extremely well.

Lancashire, which is to possess another peal of ten, is not well off for rings of this number, considering the large number of bells it possesses, and the Dalton-in-Furness peal will be a welcome addition. There are peals of twelve at St. Nicholas, Liverpool; Ashton-under-Lyne and Oldham. The peals of ten are at Manchester Town Hall, Manchester Cathedral, St. Peter's, Liverpool; Blackburn, and Kendal.

## A PEAL OF TEN IN MASSACHUSETTS

DEDIOATION OF HINGHAM BELLS.
On Monday, November 25th, was dedicated a new ring of ten bells aised in a detached campanile by popular subseription, both being a memorial to the immigrant settlers and founders of Hingham, many of whom are known to have sprung from the best families of Hingham, Norfolk. Their descendiants have always maintained an affection for the " old home," as it was for many years termed, and when it came to a choice of bells, the lhappy proposal to reproduce with original inscriptions the peal of St. Andrew's (augmented by two trebles) met with hearty approval. Hingham is a picturesque town situated on the sea coast seventeen miles from Boston. Its church, or meeting-house, as it was called, by reason of its forming the general place of assembly, for secular as well as for religious purposes, was erected in 1681, forty-six years after the settlement of the town, and this quaint structure with central turret is the oldest roligious edifice in the country, which stands upon its original site, and continues in use for religious purposes. The church and adjacent campanile occupy an elevation within a close, constituting an ideal enviromment for change ringing.

Mr. Daniel F. Gibbons, a member of the College Youths, came over to supervise the work of instalment; and it is safe to assert that no more difficult job was ever presented to a bell hanger. The trouble arose from a blunder of the brick masons, who lad altered the dimensions of the belfry from the architect's design, and hence the steel cage proved a misfit, to be corrected only after chisseling out the cemented brick work of the walls. To the casual observer, this brick tower with their walls might appcar too fragile to withstand the thrust of swinging bells, but American engineers have evolved a novel process of solid concrete constriction reinforced by steel rods, which ensures stability of structure with economy of cost-a discovery which should be more generally recognised. Attached to the inner wall of the floor chamber is the well worn stepping-stone that for conturies stood sentry on the village green of old Hingham, a highly prized gift of the local authorities.
Mr. Gibbons was present at the dedication, and other ringers who attended were Mr. Frank Burgar, formerly of Sheffield, who has taken part in twenty-seven peals; Mr. Henry Aston, who long ago rang in a peal at Coventry; Mr. William Shipp, junr., whose father was once known in Oxfordshire as a sure striker and instructor: Mr. Samuel Hodgdon, of the band which rang at St. John's and St. Peter's, Bradford; Dr. A. HI. Nichols, and the following connected now or formerly with the ringers of Groton School: Messrs. J. Warren Sturgis, Guy Ayrault, Mather A. Abbot, Charles A. Crolidge, Hami!ton Hadley, S. E. M. Crocker, and Norman R. Sturgis.
It is noteworthy that this is the first ring of ten bells installed in the United States, and it will rank unqiestionably among the most meritorious productions of its founders (Messrs. Mears and Stainbank). The tenor is in E flat, weighing 19 cwt. 2 qrs. English bells are being imported in increased numbers into the United States and Canada, and this preference is due in part to their superior hangings and appurtenances, but more especially to the larger volume of sound and carrying power of their trebles, which are not overpowered, as in American chimes, by the heavier back bells of the octave.

After an impressive service within the church, and the chiming of a few hymn tunes, the bells were sounded in rounds and Grandsire Doubles, some of which ran smoothly. From the Rev. Louis C. Cornish, pastor, to whose irrepressible appeals the town is chiefly in-
debted for this double memorial, the ringers met with a cordial reception.
Whale with the installation of still another new ring in the Perkins Institution for the Blind, five belfries at or near Boston will be available for unlimited half-pull practice, there is deplorable dearth of ringers. English ringers contemplating a change of resideucc, will be likely to find no more congenial home than New England, where the dimand for artisans is beyond the supply. This metropolis should constitute the headquarters of a guild qualified to impart instruction and a stimulus to beginners, by means of which the Exercise could and a stimulus to beginners, by means of which the Excreise could
be extended to the belfries of all our large cities.
A.H.N.

## THE PEAL AT ROLVENDEN, KENT.

The ringers in the peal at Iolvenden on Saturday represented six cowers: Messrs. Burden and Blackman belong to Rolvenden; Daw and Wenham to Stone-in-Oxney; Tribe to Teaterden; Lambert to Benenden; Johnson to Appledore; and Billenness to Rye. Rung as a birthday compliment to F. G. Burden and his veteran father, Edgar Burden, also a ringer. Their birthdays were on Christmas Day and Boxing Day respectively, and the peal was to have been attempted on the previous Saturday, but had to be postponed on account of bad weather. It was also a complimentary peal to C. Tribe, the hon. secretary of the Ashford Division, whose birthday was on the 3rd January.

DORCHENTEL.-Salisbury Diocesan Guiki.-On Thursday, January 2nd, at St. Peter's Church, an attempt for a peal of Grandsire Triples came to grief, after ringing 2 hrs. 18 mins.: T. Page 1, W. A. Painter 2, C. H. Jennings 3, F. Uphill 4, L. W. Wiffen 5, C. B. Hurst 6, G. T. White (conductar) 7, J. W. Benger 8.

## THE PEAL POINTS QUESTION.

To the Editor.

Sir,-With your permission, I should like to say a. word or two about the subject of your editorial in the curient issue of "The Ringing World." Particularly so at the present moment, when nobody knows what the final result of the analysis will be; so that one can writo pretty freely without running the risk of being charged with jealousy. When you penned the sentence, "the Norwich and Middlesex, on points, are running neck and neek for top place," I alo not suppose you wished to suggest there was any sort of rivalry betwoen theso two societies. But for those outside, your sentence might conjure up an idea that we were deadly rivals, each striving for mastery over the other, and engaged in a sort of fight to tha death. This, of course, is as absurd as it is untrue.
The respective areas covered by the Norwich and Middlesex Associations are so absolutely unlike in situation, size, population, means of getting about, and in every other particular, that comparison between the two is impossible, and indeed would be bordering on the farcical. For instance, we have bands in small villages, miles from a railway station, who score seven 720's of Bob Minor, or a 5040 of Doubles. It often means persistent struggle and grit to achieve this, and when it is done and everything taken into consideration, it is a memorable performance, and is as worthy of a place in our ammal report as a peal of Cinques or Maximus.
In the Middlescx Association, of course, you get no performances such as this-its position and conditions do not admit of it. There can, thercfore, de no rivalry between us-we are, as a matter of fact, the best of friends. The ringing of peals for the sake of amassing points certainly never enters the heads of ringers in the Norwich, diocese, and I expect it is equally truo of the members of tho Middlesex.
Then, too, I think you over-rate the interest taken by peal ringers in "points foi" peals." The whole system is so unsatisfactory that I think most men patiently endure "points for peals" rather than take any interest in them. It is, too, getting more unsatisfactory each year. I do not mean as to what points should be allotted to this, that, or the other peal, but rather to the question in its widest sense. We spean sometimes of the Association at the top of the analysis as the "premier" one. But is it always the promier one when all things are considered? Often not. Take 1911 as an example. The Winchester Guild were at the top of the table solely through the efforts of the Guildford handbell band. They rang on handbells more than half the total number of peals scored by their Association, and a vast deal more than half in point value. Take away the results of the skill of these eirht or ten brilliant exponents of what, after all, is a kind of " side-line," and where is the Wivelhester Guild? I yield to no one in my admiration of the extraordinary skill and patience of the Guildford men-I am only writing of the final result. of their performances in the analysis.

Recently another element has come in-a peal tapped by one person. That also will have its points-and it deserves them, too. But give this performer a little more skill, and an abundance of energy, and we shall have the North Notta Assaciption the champions! Which with all respect of them-would be farcical indeed, and perhaps be the prelude to an ", In Memoriam "uotice announcing the decease of points for peals.' '-Yours faithfully

CHAS. E. BORRETT
Secretary, Norwich Diocesan Association

## FARNHANI'S PEAL BOARD.

A handsome peal board has been unveiled in tho belfry of Farnham, Surrey, the ceremony being performed on Monday week by Mrs. Lovett, wife of the Rector, who is leaving for a Southampton parish. The board records the following peals: February 27th, 1909, Grandsire Triples; Feb. 19th. 1910, Grandsire Triples; May 20th, 1910, a half-mufficd peal of Bob Major for the late King Edward; June 22nd, 1911, Grandsire Triples, on the occasion of the Coronation: Dec. 23rd. 1911, Stedman Triples; August 7th. Grandsire Triples, halfmuffled for the late W. H. Lowman: Nov. 30th, 1912, Oxford Bob Triples.-Mis. Lovett, in unveiling the board, referred to some of the historic occasions on which Farnham bells had been rung, including the celebration of the victories of Trafalgar and Waterloo.-Mr. C. Fdwards thanked Mrs. Lovett for unveiling the board, and the Rector referred in terms of high praise to the enthusiasm of the ringers in their work and their splendid achievements. He attributed their success largely to the efforts of Mr. Fdwards, the oonductor, and thanked them for the regularity, loyalty and enthusiasm which they had shown towards the bells, and through the bells to the parish.

HINCKLJY, LEICESTERSFIRF. - On Sunday, Jan. 5th, at St. Mary's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: II. Sharratt 1, B. Ridgway 2, J. Fansey 3, A. Moore 4, S. White 5,
F. Cotton (conductor) 6, G. Thompson 7, A. H. Gane 8. Arranged for F. Cotton (conductor) 6, G. Thompson 7, A. H. Gane 8. Arranged for
ringer of tenor, who belongs to Doulling, Shepton Mallet. this beiug his first quarter-peal.

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## MEETING AT STOKE POGES.

On Saturday, by kind invitation of the Vicar and churchwardens, meeting took place at Stoke Poges. Something like forty ringers were expectid, but owing no doubt to the bad state of the weather only twenty-four were present, including the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, Master of the Oxford Guild, and Mr. Cyril Jolmeton, representing the firm of lifessrs. Giliett and Jehnston, who have just carried out the work of restoration so successfully.
During the afternoon and evening, touches of Stedman Doubles, Bob Minor, Oiaford Bob, Double Court, Oxford and Kent were rung.A short scrvice was also held, conducted by the Rev. C. H. Stokes (curate), and afterwards the fompany sat down in the parish room to an excellent tea, kindly providel by the Rev. Canon Barnett (Vicar) and Mr. E. If. Parry (chuchwarden). Mr. Barnett was present to receive the visitors, and to say how sorry Canon Barnett was that, owing to illness, he could not be with them.-At the conclusion of tea, the company passed a rote of thanks to Canon Barnett and Mr. Parry for so kindly entertaining them.

ỉingers wero present from Burnham, Chalfont St. Peter, Ealing, Farnham Royal, Fulmer, Hesten, Hillingdon, Slough, Windsor, and the local company. All were delighted with the tone and "go" of tho bells.

## RINGERS' CENTURIES.

GEO. LEWIS' 100 PEALS.
On Tower Balls: Four Mininor Methads, 1: seven Treble Bob Minor Methods, 2; Grankisiro Triples, 4: Stedman Triples, 13, conductod, 3; Bob Major, 7, conducted, 3 ; College Single Major, $1 ;$ Kent Trcble
Bob Major, 9 (a), conducted, 4 ; Oxford, 2, conducted, 1; Double NorBob Major, 9 (a), conducted, 4 ; Oxford, 2, conducted, 1; Double Nor-
wieh, 2, conducted, 1: Superlative Surprise Major, 1 ; Grandsire Caters, 3: Stedman Caters, 4 (b); Bob Royal, 1; Stedman Cinques, 1; Kent Treble Bob Maximus, 1 . On handbells: Grandsire Triples, 9 : Stedman Triples, 1; Bob Major, 19, conductel, 5; Little Eob Major, 1; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 1 ; Grandsire Caters, 13; Bob Royal, 4, conducted, 1: total. 100, conducted, 18; (a) includes 6208 and 11,232 conduciod; (b) includes 6591 .

## IT. G. CRICKMETS 100 PEALS

## FOR THE NORWICH ASSOCIATION.

Doubles, 4, conducted. 3; Minor, 24 (including the first Surprise pea) in Suffolk), conducted, 13; Bob Triples, 6, conducted, 3; Grandsire, 4; steciman, 2; Bob Major (inciuding 4 on handbells), 13, conducted, 10 ; Toyal (on handbells), 1, conducted, 1: Maximus, 1: Oxford Treble Bob Major, 22 (including 10,176 and 16,608), conducted, 9; Kent, 13, conducted, 6; Kent Treble Bob Maximus, 2; Double Forwich Major,
Superlative, 3 ; Cambridge, 1; London, 1; total, 100, conducted, 45.

## C. HAZELDEN'S 50 PEALS.

ITinor, 1: Grandsire Triples, 5; Caters, 1: Bob Major, 3: Bob Royal, 3: Stedman Triples, 18; Caters 3; Double Norwich Major 3; Superlative Surprise Major, 3; Cambridge, 2; Norfolk, 1; Bristol, 3; London, 4;
total, 50. total, 50.

## RINGERS ROUND THE FESTIVE BOARD. PRESENTATION AT EASTON NESTON

The members of the Easton Neston (Northants) company and friends spent a very enjoyable evening on Friday week, when a dinner was held, and proved a great success. Those present included Mr. F. Causebrook (hon. secretary of the Towcester and District Association), Messrs. J. Slarke, E. Hunt, F. Wilford, and F. Hopper, of Northampton, and other friends. It was much to be regretted that the Rev. R. C. Collins (Vicar of Easton) was unable to be present owing to the very roush night, but he was represented by Mrs. and Miss Collins, who received a hearty welcome. Dinner over, Mr. $F$. Wilford was voted to the chair for the evening, and Mr. J. Slarke, in a short speech, said they had not only met together that evening for a little enjoyment, but also to do honour to a brother ringer, whom he had known for many years. There were others in the room who had been most helpful to them, but Mr. Hopper had done a great deal to forward the art of change ringing in the neighbourhood, and had been particularly helpful to the Easton Neston ringers, as they had been able to ring their first local peal the day before.-Mr. Hopper was then presented with a splendid pair of blankets by Mrs. Collins, who in a few well chosen words asked him to accept them as a token of thanks for what he had done for the Easton ringers.-Mr. Hopper, who was taken by surprise, thanked the ringers for their most kind gift. He said it was always a pleasure to him to help forward the art of change ringing, and it was very kind indeed of them to do what they had done that evening.
The Chairman said he felt it his daty to say just a few words with rogard to this gift to Mr. Hopper. There was no man in the Central Corthants Association who was so great a help to him as Mr. Hopper was, for he always endorsed his views, and was ever ready to go forward at every turn to help others in the way of change ringing.
Me was very pleased indeed to be there that evening, as those little
gatherings, which brought ringers together, enabled them to know each ohler better, and to help forward the good work they were doing fir the Church
Tho toast of " The Health of Mr. J. Slarke " was submitted by Miss Collins, who wished the veteran health and lhappmess in the coming year.-The toast was drunk with musical honours, and Mr . Slarke, in reply, thanked the company most sincerely. He had, he sad, been looking forward to that meeting for some time, and would ha: e been very pleased to liave seen the Vicar with them. They had, however, oxcellent representatives in Mrs. and Miss Collins. lingers always found it a great help to them when they saw the head of the church present at their gatherings. At the same time, ha knew how deeply interested Mr. Collins was in his beld ringers and bell ringing, to being a member of the Association and a vicepresident.
In conclusion, Mr. Slarke tiusted that these gatherings would take place yoar after year, and added that he would always do whatever tay in his power to help forward his brother ringers.

The remainder of the cvening was spent in a convivial manner. Songs were given by Mr. F. Wjiford, Mr. Unwin, Mr. Beesley, Master 1'. Slarke, Miss V. Slarke, Mr. L. Worth, Mr. Basford and Mr. Bushall, together whi selections on the handballs, thus bringing a pleasant evening to a close.

## EAST HAGBOURNE (BERKS).

The annual suppers of the Hagbourne ringers were held at the Wcleomo Inn, as usual, on Christmas aml New Year's Eves, and proved very successful. Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Butler's catering was most thoroughly appreciated, and two very enjoyable evenings were spent by the ringers and their triends. After supper, on each occasion, a concert was held, at which it was the rule for each member present to sing a song. At 10 oclock, an adjournment was made to tho Schoolroom, where further songs were sung until just befora midnight. Christmas Day was amounced with a touch of Grandsire Triples, and the Old Year was rung out and the New Year in by touches in the same method, the last beng a 672 by: W. Cox $1, \mathrm{E}$. Eutler 2, II. Bishop 3, W. Napper 4, J. Butler 5, T. East (conductor) 6, J. S. Napper 7, W. Warwick 8. After ringing, a return was made to the school, and the proceedings were finished by the singing of Auld Lang Syne and the National Antliem.

## MERTHYR TYDVIL

On the evening of January 2nd, the members of the Merthyr Tydvil Parish Church Guild were entertained to supper by Miss A. E. Harrap, of Gwaunfarren. at the Commercial Hotel. After an excellent repast, Mr. A. E. Slatter, the captain, proposed "The health of Miss Harrap" which was seconded by Mr. E. Thomas.-Mr. F. Chave proposed a hearty vote of thauks to Mrs. Trevanicn for the very able manner in which she had catered for the company, and this was sceonded by Mir. C. Paley.-The company then rang several selections on the handbells, after which whist was indulged in, and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

## A CHRISTMAS PARTY

A party of 18 ringers from IIandsworth paid another visit to Tettenhall, on Saturday week, when they spent a most enjoyable time. They were welcomed at the New Inn Hotel, which they mado their headquarters, by the host and other friends, and, after tonches of Grandsire Triples on the tower bells, enjoyed a splendid feast. The evening was devoted to a musical programme, which opened with "Blue bells of Scotland," rung on handbolls. Messirs E. Starkey, T. Verry, H. Herbert (comic), R. Roper, Faux, C. Starkey, F. Ward, F. Wood, and others, gave excellent song6, and the host's niece alelighted the company with a rendering of "Killarney," in Welsh. Mr. F. Banks gave some capital concertina selections. The host was thanled for his excellent catering, and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

## SCARBOROUGH.

As is customary on New Year's Fve, the bells of St. Mary's Parish Church. Scarborough, were rung, half-muffled, for the last half-hour of the old year; and open for an hour to welcome in the new. A pleasing event, quite unexpected, took place this year, when Mr. W. R. Lowson, the Vicar's warden, and Mrs. Lowson, assisted by Miss Coates, kindly entertaned the ringers to refreshments in the belfry, hot coffee, sandwiches and mince pies being handed round. After partaking of the good things provided, Mr. Lowson, who is taking up ringing in earnest, took a rope in a few well-struck rounds and changes. The following ringers also took part: Messrs Gibson, Cole, Fryers, Barton, Iowson, Raynor, Shannon, Priest, and Cobley. Great credit is due to the four last-named members on the way in which they handled their bells, this being their first attempt at mufled ringing.-At the conclusion of the ringing cigars were handed round, kindly provided by Mr. Usher, sidesman. - On Christmas Day, for morning service. 360 Grandsire was rung by: J. Fryers. II. Gibson, W. Raynor (first with a bob bell), T. Wardman, J. R. Barton, L. T. Cole.-On Boxing Day, an attempt for a peal of Grandsire Triples, on handbells, camo to grief after ringing 2100 changes: J. R. Barton (conductor) 1-2, 0. Coates 3-4, II. Gibson 5-6, G. Alexander 7-8.

## RINGING BY DIAGRAM.

We give this week the diagrams of Woodbine and Violet Treble Bob. They are not among the legitimate methods, but are rung so much that we make no apology for their publication in this form.

The figures at the side show the starting place of each bell; the small lines intersecting the diagram mark the place where the treble crosses the path of the working bell; and the asterisks the place where the working bell dodges with the treble.


## SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY AT CHESTERFIELD.

The January meeting of the Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Society was leld on Saturday at Chesterfield, and in spite of tise wretched weather, was well attended. Upwards of 30 members were present from Bolsover, Chesterfield, Doncaster, Dore. Dronfield, Eckilgton, Killamarsh, North Wingfield, Ranmoor, Rotherham, Sheffield Parish Church, and Staveley. The fine peal of ten bells (tenor $24!$ cwt.) were raised about 3.30 p.m., and were kept going with short intervals till 7.30 p.m., some good ringing being accomplished, in a variety of methods, including Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Double Norwich, Oxford Treble Bob, and New Cambridge, Superlative and BristoI Surprise Major, Stedman an• Grandsire Caters and Kent Treble Bob Royal.
A short business meeting was held in the tower during the evening, Mr. G. Falksworth (Doncaster) in the chair, at which a hearty vote of thanks to the Ven. Archdeacon Crosse (who is so ever ready to grant the use of the bells) was carricd with acclamation, as also was a rote of thanks to the local company. After lowering the bells, a more was made to the local company's meeting-room, where a pleasant evening was spent with the aid of a. gramophone and some handbells.

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## NOTICES.

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## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL. <br> PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

The Second Session of the Eighth Council (23rd annual meeting) will be held at Newcastle-on-Tyne on Whitsun Tuesday, May 13th, 1913. Reports of committees and notices of motion should reach me not later than Saturday, April 12 th, in order that they may be forwarded in due course for insertion in the ringing papers. Hon. secretaries of the Diocesan or County Guilds or Associations affiliated to the Council will kindly bear in mind that affilia, tion fees (2s. 6d. for each elected representative) became due on the ist inst., and should be forwarded to me without delay. The rights of representatives whose quota has not been paid are in abeyance until payment has been made. I shall be glad if they will at the same time kindly inform me of any change in their own address since last year or in that of any of their representatives, or of any change in the representation itself.-Charles D. P. Davies, Honorary Secretary and Treasurer, Fretherne, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire. N.B.-Please do not make Postal Orders payable at Stonehouse, which is six miles distant.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. - The next meeting will be held at Pudsey on January inth, 1913 . Peal attempt at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting at the Golden Lion Hotel at 7.30 p.m.-Frank R. Cundale, Secretary, 24, Recreation View, Holbeck, Leeds.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - A branch meeting will be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Darwen, on Saturday, January irth, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Castle Cary Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Wincanton on Saturday, January ith, 1913. Service in the church 4.15 p.m. Tea in the schoolroom 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Bells available from 2.30 to 9 p.m. All ringers invited.-T. G. Vincent, Wraxall, Shepton Mallet.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch.-The next meeting will be held at St. Nicholas New Church on Saturday, January inth, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30.-J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary, 3I, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, on Saturday, January inth, 1913. Bells available from 3.30 p.m.; short service, with an address by the Vicar of St. Saviour's, at 5.30 ; tea in the Parish Hall at 6 o'clock, followed by business meeting. Members are reminded that annual subscriptions for igi3 were due on January ist.--H. Rumens, 32, Verulam Avenue, Walthamstow, N.E.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch. - The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Whitworth Parish Church on Saturday, January IIth, i913. Bells ready at 3.30 ; business meeting at 6.30 . All ringers welcome.-J. H. Bastow, Branch Secretary, 13 , Norman Street, North Moor, Oldham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at Bolton Parish Church on Saturday, January inth, at 5 o'clock. Meeting 7.30.

BEDFORDSH!RE ASSOCIATION. - Luton Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held on January inth at Leighton Buzzard. Eight bells. Bells available from 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.-A. King, District Secretary, 6 , Tavistock Crescent, Luton.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824). - Southern District. - The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, January 18th, 1913, at St. George's, Southwark. Tower open from 4 p.m. to $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting to follow.Frank A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.J.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824). -Northern District. - The general meeting of this district will be held at St. Mary's, Islington, on Saturday, January 18th, r9r3. The tower will be open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting at 8.15 p.m. at the Old King's Head. All members and friends cordially invited.-J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7D, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.

THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION. Quarterly meetings will be held at Weston Favel on Saturday, January it th; Lowick on January i8th; Isham on January ${ }_{5}{ }_{5}$ th; Irthlingborough on February ist.-F. Wilford, General Secretary, I49, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Quarterly meeting of the Maidstone District will be held at Aylesford, on Saturday, January I8th. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., followed by the usual business meeting. Subscriptions are now due.-G. Moore, District Secretary, 7I, Florence Road, Maidstone.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIITION.-Manchester Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Manchester Cathedral on Saturday, January 18th. Bells available at 5 p.m. Meeting at 7. V. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.--Dorking and Leatherhead District.-The annual meeting of the above district will be held at the Church Room, Dorking, on January 18th, 1913. Bells open at 4 p.m. Tea at 6, followed by general meeting.-R. H. Freeman, Honorary Secretary, Rectory Lane, Shere.

WORCESTERSHIRE IND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Northern Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Oldbury on Saturday, January i8th. Service in the Parish Church at 4.45 . Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at the Talbot Hotel at $5 \cdot 30$, is. 3d. each. Business meeting after. Will all those intending to be present at tea kincly let me know on or before January $1^{\text {r }}$ th. -E. J. Dowler, Branch Honorary Secretary, 9, Edward Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham.

KENT COUXTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Selling on Saturday, January 18th, 1913. I3ells available from 3 p.m. Divine service at 5.15 p.m. Tea, provided bv S. Neame, Esq., will be taken at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will all those members who intend being present kindly let me know by Tuesday, January it th. The annual subscriptions are now due, and may be paid at this meeting.-E. Trendell, Honorary District Secretary, Boughton, Faversham.
L.INCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The quarterly meeting will be held at Penwortham on January 18th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Meeting at 5.30. New reports given out at this meeting.-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-lc-dale.
SOCIETY FOR THE IRCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-Quarterly meeting at Perry Barr, Saturday, January i8th. Bells arailable at 3. Service, with address, at $5 \cdot 30$. Tea at 6 . Those intending to be present please send word not later than January i4th to H. Knight, Honorary Secretary, 15 , Rugly Street, Wolverhampton.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch.-A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas, Liverpool, on Saturday, fanuary 18 th. Bells ready at 5 . Meeting at 6.30 . Whalter Hughes.

Bath anj wtelds diocesan association. -Bridgwater Deanery.-The annual meeting will be held at Bridgwater on January 18 th , 1913. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service at St. Mary's Church at 4. Tea at 5 p.m1-IW. G. Sellick, jumr., Honorary Secretary, Huntspill, Bridgwater.

BATHS AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. --Axbridge Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Congresbury on Saturday, January i8th. Service at +30 , tea and meeting to follow. Tea gd. each. Bells available from 2 p.m.-J. Harris, Branch Secretary, Burnham.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on the 2rst; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 16th and 30 th; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 21st; Southwark Cathedral on the 28th; St. Magnus $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.; the others at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Also at St. Mary's, Walthamstou, on Saturday evening;. A district meeting will be held at St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, on February ist. Tower open for ringing at 3.30. Evensong, 5.30. Tea in the Vicarage Hall at 6.15 . Will members intending to be present kindly let me know by January 28th? -William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.IW'.
THE MIDDLESEA COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESSIN GUILD.-North and East Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at Southgate, by kind permission of the Rev. C. F. Peploe, on Saturday, January 25 th. Bells ready at $3 \cdot 30$. Short service at $5 \cdot 30$. Tea at the Cherry Tree at 6 o'clock, 6d. each. Members and friends cordially invited. Members are reminded that subscriptions for 1913 are now due.-C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.
B.ATH AND Wells idócesan association.Chew Deanery Branch. -The annual meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, January 25 th. Bellis available at 3.30. Divine service at +30 . Tea and business meeting 5.30.- George Yeo, Honorary Local Secretary.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN (iUlLD).-Southern Branch.--The annual meeting will be held at Grantham on Saturday, January 25 th. Bells ready at noon. Service in the 「arish Church at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea will be provided at the (irantham Dairy Co., Westgate, at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at 15. Gd. each. Business meeting after. Members and friends will be given a hearty welcome, and are requested 10 give notice of altendance not later than January igth. A. Markwell, District Secretary, Ingoldsiby.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham District.-The next meeting will be held at Greenwich on Saturday, January 25 th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 6 p.m. Further particulars next week.-T. Groombridge, Honorary District Secretary.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual meeting of the South and West District will be held at Isleworth on Saturday, January 25 th. Bells available from 3.30 . Tea by kind invitation of the Vicar, in the Hartland Road Nission Hall at 6 , followed by business meeting. Members and friends cordially invited.-H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Malvern Link on Saturday, January 25 th, 1913. Service at $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. Tea provided.-R. G. Knowles, Branch Secretary, Madresfield, Malvern.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-Preliminary Notice.-The annual meeting of this district will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, January ${ }_{25}$ th, 1913 . Further particulars next week.-W. Latter, Honorary District Secretary, 26, Duke's Road, Tunbridge Wells.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Whitwick on Saturday, January 25 th. Bells ready at 2.30 . Committee meeting at 4; tea (is. each) at 4.45 , both in the National Schonl. Will those who intend taking tea kindly notify Mr. H. Pegg, Market Place, Whitwick, by the previous Thursday? The committee request that all subscriptions up to the end of 1912 be paid in at once. - W. E. White, Honorary Secretary.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-A quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, January 25 th, at Bishop Ryder's Church, Birmingham. Bells (8) available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea will be arranged for those attending who let me know by January 20th. Subscriptions are now overdue, and should be paid at this meeting. Committee meeting after tea.-Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.

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I ans authorised by tine Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of thome well qualified to judge, we have rinf, undouhtedly, onp of the heat peala in the Kingdom.

Your faithfully, F. T. BECK,
Arohiteot, Diooesan Surveyor.

## THE REVIVAL OF OLD SOCIETIES.

Everyone would rejoice if the breach which has existed at Norwich between the church authorities at St. Peter Mancroft and the members of that very ancient ringing society, the Norwich Scholars, could be healed. A correspondent this week holds out the hope that something may be done by which the dispute, which has robbed the Scholars of a headquarter's tower, can be ended, and we trust that his action may open the way to amicable arrangement. With the dispute and the reasons for it we have no concern, and no good purpose could be served by opening up old sores. What we do feel, however, is that much good might be done if this old society could be rehabilitated.

An organisation with something like 300 years of history behind it ought not to be allowed to die of inanition. Such a society is, from a ringer's point of view, a national asset, for it goes back to the very foundations of the history of change ringing and even beyond, and however chequered may have been its career its existence ought to be carefully nurtured, for by far the larger number of our ringing organisations are of mere mushroom growth in comparison. The Norwich Scholars were among tfie pioneers of the Art two centuries ago, and it would be a matter of general gratification if those who to-day represent its membership could reanimate it. This, we believe, might very easily be done, without in any way infringing upon the prerogatives of the younger Association which dominates the territorial area-the Norwich Diocesan Association.

The mending of the breach referred to probably rests with the members themselves. At any rate, they have it in their power to take the necessary steps which might open negotiations. Our ringing organisations do not include so many really ancient societies that we can afford to let slip such a link with the long-distant past as is formed by the Norwich Scholars. All the while there is a membership, however feeble, there is material for reviving the society, and for maintaining the continuity of the organisation. We are glad to see, therefore, that its annual festival, this year in the shape of a social reunion, has been re-established. With the right men to watch its interests and to impart activity into its dormant body the Norwich Scholars may yet become a real, live society.

And, incidentally, may we ask when steps are to be taken to re-organise that now almost moribund organisation, the old Waterloo Society? If the secretary, whose duties have apparently become entirely nominal, will bestir himself, we believe he will have quite a goodly number of members rallying to his support. At any rate, he will find that there are quite a number of Johns willing to give him a hand to set the society once more on its feet.

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

## LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Suturday, January 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Giles, Cripplegate,
A PEAL OF Stedman cinques, 5002 Changes; Tenor $36 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in C.

| Henry Springall | .Treble | - Robert W. Green |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Edwin Gibbs | 2 | Thomas Langdon |
| William Truss | 3 | Frederick J. Hardy |
| Louis Attwater | .. 4 | Francis E. Dawe ... ... io |
| James Scholes |  | Thomas H. Taffende |
| Arthur D. Barker | 6 | William J. Jeffries |

Composed by Frederick Dench, and Conducted by Henry Springall.

* First peal on 12 bells. Rung on the occasion of the 85 th birthday of the Rector (the Rev. Prebendary Albert Barff, M.A.), the ringers heartily wishing him " many happy returns." Great credit is due to the tower keeper (Mr. C. H. Ward) for tne exceedingly clean and well-kept state of the whole belfry.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Jamary 11, 1913, in Fow Hours and Ttoo Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;
Tenor 53 cwt .

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[^5]BRISTOL.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Janury 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Stephen the Martyr,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 21 cwt.
*George W. Tomkins ...Treble Charles H. Gordon ... 6
Raymond J. Wilkins ... 2 William Kinight ... ... 7

* Edgar Guise ... ... ... 3 George Condick, Junt.... 8

Harry Brownjohn... ... 4 John A. Burford ... ... 9
Richard Clark ... ... 5 | William A. Cave ... ... Tenor
Composed by Rev. H. Law James, and
Conducted by John A. Borford.

* First peal on ten bells. This peal was rung as a birthday compli ment to the ringers of the 3 rd and tenor.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

ORMSKIRK, LANCASHIRE.
THE LIVERPOOL, DIOCESAN GUILD. On Monday, Janury 6. 1913, in Three Hours, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Reeves.'
James T Sholicar ...Treble James R Pari qr. John H. Sholicar Peter H Harvey William Rimmer...

James R. Park ..
James Marsh
John W. Pilkington...
William Gibbons

> Conducted by James R. Park.

- First peal. The above was rung as a birthday compliment to Canon Woodrow, a vice-president of the Guild ; also in honour of his recent appointment as Canon.


## LIVERPOOL.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Liverpool Branch.)
On Monday, January 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Parish Chorch, Garston,
a PEAL of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 50s0 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.
*Walter E. Hughes ...Treble George Woodhall... ... 2 Edward Caunce ... ... 3
Thomas Jennions ...
Conducted by

| John Turner | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John allen | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 5 |
| Walter Hoghes | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 7 |  |
| - Francis Chewton | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ Tenor |  |
| alter Hughes. |  |  |  |  |

* First peal.


## CHESTER

THE CHESTER JIOCESAN GUILD. (Chester Branch.)
On Monday, Junuary 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-fwe Minutes,

## At the Chorch of St. Mary On-the-Hill, <br> A PEAL OF DOUBLE CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Henry Woodfine Tenor 14 cwt . George Jones ... George Jones ... ..Treble William Sconce
... ... 4 William Morgan ... ...Tenor

Composed by Dr. A. B. Carpenter, and
Conducted by Henry W. Wilde.
First peal of Double Grandsire by all the band; also the first by the Guild, and the first ever rung in the City or County of Chester. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 6 th . This composition, which is now rung for the first time, is a ten-part peal, composed July ist, rgiz.

## WOOLWICH, KENT.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuestay, Janury 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
At the Chirch of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Arthur J. Neale
Tenor I
Treble
Ernest Pye
William Miller
Isabc G. Shade.
..Treble Redben Sanders ... Charles T Coles. Charles T. Coles.. Alfred W. Grimes William Pye William Pye Conducted by William Pye.

Rung as a birthday compliment to A. J. Neale and R. Sanders. It was also A. J. Neale's 150 th peal and the 25th anniversary of his wedding.

EGHAM, SURREY,
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. (Late London Scholars.)
On Tuesday, Janury 7, 1913, in Thee Hours and Six Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor if cwt. 3 qr. 26 lbs ., in $F$.

Thomas King
John D. Matthews... .Treble
orn D. Matthews ... ... 2 John H. Cheesman Alfred H. Winch ... ... 3 Charles F Whan Edin Barnett, Senr. ... 4 Ernest C. Lambert Ernest C. Lambert … 7 Composed by Joserf A. Lambert, and Conducted by E. C. Lambert.
"Go" was called at $5.20 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$., and this is the first peal in the method upon the bells.

## STREATHAM, SURREY.

THE SUTREE ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Juburry 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-si.v Minutes, At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 Changes; Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{4} \mathrm{c}$ cht.
H. Pates ... ... ... ...Treble | I. J. Attivater
G. Barrington ...
A. G. Freeman $\qquad$
 J. Iee $\cdot . . \quad$... $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad . . . ~{ }^{4}$ Hemposed by Henty Johnson, and Conducted by L. Atrwater.
First peal in the method on the bells. First peal as conductor. First peal in the method by all the band except the conductor, and rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. S. Greenwood on his 83rd birthday. Mr. Greenwood has been a ringer at both the Streatham churches since 1851 .

## STAINES, MIDDLESEX

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTIIS. (Late London Scholars.)
On Tuesday, Janury 7, 1913, in Tu'o Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Peter,
a Peal of dobble norwich court bob majdi, 5024 chances; Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { John D. Matthews. ... } & \text {...Treble } & \text { Ernest C. Lambert } & \text {... } & 5 \\ \text { Edwin Barnett, Sent. } & \text {.. } & 2 & \text { Thomas King }\end{array}$

| Edwin Barnett, Sent. | .. | 2 | Thomas King ... | .. | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alfred H. Winch | $\ldots$ | .. | 3 | William H. Fussell | $\cdots$ | 7 |


| Alfred H. Winch | .. | .. | 3 | William H. Fussell | .. | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John H. Cheesman | .. | $\ldots$ | 4 | Charles F. White | $\ldots$ | Tenor |

Composed by Frederick Holden, and
Conducted by John H. Cheesman.
Go" was called at $9.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$., and this is the first peal in the method upon the bells.

NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Turstay, Janury 7, 1913, in Treo Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES; Tenor 9 civt. 0 qr. $26 \mathrm{lbs} .$, in $G$.
Owen H. Giles... ... ...Treble William Rowe, Sent.
Henry W. Wilkes
 $\cdots l^{. . .} 2$ Charles J. Fray ... . 5
$\cdots$
$\cdots$ William G. Edwards ... $\ddagger$ William T. Ticker .... Tenur Composed by George Williams, and

Conducted by W. T. Trcker.
This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to Miss May Rowe, daughter of the ringer of the 5 th, on her coming-of-age.

## HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (East Berks and South Bocks Branch.)
On Wednesday. January S, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE bOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor $12 \ddagger$ ciwt., in G.
George H. Gutteridge Treble William H. Fossell ... 5 $\dagger$ Ralph Coles... ... ... 2
George F. Williams $\quad$ Richard Buckland... ... 6 George F. Williams ... 3 Robert H. Young ... ... 7 *John Gransbory $. . . \quad . . .{ }^{4}$ John Evans ... ... .... Temor Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by John Evans.

* First peal in the method. + First peal in the method with a bob bell. First peal in the method as conductor.


## BARNET, HERTS.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Thursday, Janaury 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minut.s,
At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;
Tenor 24 cwt., in D.

[^6]HESTON, MIDDIESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, January 10, 191.3, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Chorch of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES ;
Tenor I3:3 cwt.
 Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Bertram Prewett.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Henry C. Chandler, Hon. Sec. of the S. \& W. District of the Association.


## ROTHERHAM, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Tanary 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Stephen, Eastwood,

\section*{A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;} Thorstans' Four-Part. Tenor iz $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. | Sampel Wesley | $\ldots$. | ..$T$ Trbble | Arthor Hague | .. | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Clement Glenn | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | *Walter Froggatt... | ... | 6 | William Lanbert ..... .4 3 George Halksworth ... 7 *Edwin C. Garrison ... 4 John H. Brothwell ...Tenor Conducted by George Halksworth.

* First peal and first attempt. This was the conductor's 50th peal.

PUDSEY, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. On Saturday, Jakuary 11, 1913, in Three Hours,

At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOZ MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

 Tenor 16 cwt.Pratt Cordingley ... ...Treble | John B. Jackson ... ... 5
William Birks ......
Fred W. Thorpe ... ... 3 | Edivin Wheater ... ... 7 Sidney Keighley ... ... 4 | John Perfect ... ... ... Tenor

Composed by Obadiah Lang, and Conducted by E. Wheater.

COLNE, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, January 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Eleven Minwtes, At the Chorch of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES: Tenor 16 cwt .
 On Saturday, January 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAMCES ;

 Holt's Ten-Part. Richard Hamilton... ...Treble †Herbert V. Richards ... 2 Frederick W. Richards 3 William R. Boundy ... 7 John R. Sandover ... ... 4 *Sergt.-Maj. C. Warner Tenoy Conducted by Herbert V. Richards.* First peal. + First peal as conductor. Ninth peal by the Heavitree Society.


## EPSOM, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, January 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-tuo Minutes. At Christ Chorch,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGE ;

Dr. A. B. Carpenter's Variation. Tenor iliz cwt., in F. Joseph A. Lambert ... ...Tyeble Frank Holder... ... ... 5 Dr. A. B. Carpenter ... 2 Alfred Winch...... Benjamin Morris $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3 |$| Arthur Dean ... | .. |
| :--- | :--- |
| Wilitay H. Joiner ... | .. | Willia. H. Joiner... ... 4 John Crawford ... ... Tenor Conducted by Joseph A. Lambert.

Rung, after meeting short for Double Norwich, as as birthday compliment to B . Morris on his coming-of-age. It was the conductor's: Iooth peal for the above Association.

PENDLETON, MANCHESTER. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, January 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

 Tenor I8 cwt.Frank Smith ... ... ...Treblc Harry Shoker... ... ... 5
†William Shercliff... ... 2 James W. Washbrook ... 6
Samuel Greenhalgh $\quad \cdots \quad 3 \quad$ Harry Chapman $\quad . .$.
Thomas Bottrill ... ... 4 *Edward Smethurst ....Tenan Composed and Conducted by J. W. Washbrook.

* First peal. † First peal of Stedman.


## NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Jomuary 13, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES ;

Heywood's Variation.
John Thomas ... ... ...Treble
Arthur E. Morgan ... ... 2
Victor Morgan... ... ... 3
Charles Greedy ... ... 4 Conducted by John Thomas.

John Botler ... ... ... 5 Francis E. B. Charles 6 John W. Jones ... ... 7 John Goddard... ... ...Tenop

Arranged for J. Thomas, of Edmonton, who was on a visit.

## SIX $\mathcal{E}$ FIVE BELL PEALS.

## LILBOURNE, NORTHANTS.

On Saturday, Decomber 7. 1912, in Three Hours and Sixtcen Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 12 cwt.
Reginald J. Lawman ...Treble John H. Hipwell ... ... 3
John Lawman $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ William T. R. Egan...
Albert E. Tomes ... Tenor
Conducted by R. J. Lavman.
First peal by all and on the bells. Rung as a farewell peal to A. E. Tomes, who has joined the Birmingham Police Force. This: band was taugkt change ringing by Messrs. White and Hessian, of the St. Andrew's Society, Rugby.

## TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Decunber 31, 1912, in Three Hours and Ton Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of York, Durham, London, Wells, Netherseale ${ }_{r}$ Cambridge and Norwich Surprise. Tenor 20 cwt .
Clarence Goocii ... ...Treble| Fred Manser ... ... ... 4 George Snelling ... ... 2 John Snelling...... Bertie F. Turner ... ... 3 Fred Seager ... ... ... Temo. ... Te Conducted by J. Snelling.
Eirst peal as conductor:.

## WINFARTHING, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
©n Saturday, January 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fovty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Fiull, Bourne, York, Durham, Cambridge,
Netherseale, and Norwich Surprise. Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. 4 lbs.
Frederick C. M. Skinner Treble $\mid$ Fred Seager ... ... ... 4 Fred Manser ... ... ... 2 Bertie F. Turner... ... 5 George Snelling ... ... 3 John Snelling... ... ...Tenor

Conducted by B. F. Turner.
First Surprise peal on the bells.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, January 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Ann, Stamford Hill,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Being seven $720^{\prime}$ s, each called differently.

- Ernest Davidson ... ...Tyeble | Alfred Howell ... ... 4 Frederick Nonn ... ... 2 †Richard N. Runham ... 5 Frank E. Ringrose... ... 3 †Charles H. Ross ... ...Tenor Conducted by Charles H. Ross.
*First peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Minor. First peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to R. N. Runham.

SANDHURST, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Sonning Branch.)
On IVednesday, January 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Parish Сhorch,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's of Woodbine, two of Oxford, and three of Kent Treble Bob.

| *Aogustos Collins | ...Treble | Charles Doe ... | ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arthor Payne... | 2 | Barzellai Hawkins | $\cdots 5$ |
| Mark Goddard... |  | John Moth | Tertor |

* First peal. Rung as a farewell to the ringer of the 4 th, who is leaving for Elstree, Herts.


## LAMBERHURST, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, January 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720 's each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt.
Albert Relfe
..Treble George Foller. $\qquad$ $\ldots \quad . . . \quad 2$

Conducted by Andrew Marshal
Quickest peal on the bells.

FRAMPTON, NEAR BOSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Eastern Branch.)
On Thursday, January 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Tuenty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MIHCR, 5040 GHANCES;
Being seven 720's each called differently.
*William Young ... ...Treble George Coleman ... ... 4 * Frederick Leggoti $\quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ William Barker $\quad . .$. Herbert Taylor ... ... 3 Frederick Taylor ... ... Tenor Conducted by William Barker.

* First peal. First peal of Minor by all except the conductor. First peal on the bells, which have recently been rehung and re-tuned, and a new treble added by Messrs. J. Taylor $\mathcal{\&}$ Co., the "go" being ex cellent.

BARLEY, HERTS.
HE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, January 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,
a PEAL OF GRANDSIRE dOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

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\text { Tenor } 82 \mathrm{cwt} \text {. }
$$

*W. Peachey
 Conducted by $W$. MansField.

* First peal. This peal was rung in honour to Miss Boucher, who, on the previous night, entertained the ringers to supper. Many thanks are due to Miss Boucher for her kindness in keeping up the interest which her late brother took in the bells and ringers.

ISFIAM, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTIUAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, January 11, 1913, in Two Hours aml Forty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Double Court, Oxforl and Plain Bob.

Tenor $9 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.
Rex T. Buswell ... ...Tieble George A. Blaxley ... 4
William C. Lewis... ... 2 *Joseph Farby ... ... ... 5
*Albert E. Fourt .... ... 3 E. Madrice Atkins .... 3 Tenor Conducted by E. M. Atrins.

* First peal in seven methods.

ALDERSHOT, HANTS.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Jamury 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mrchale,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHAHEES;

Being two 720's of Canterbury, two of Oxford Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.
William Fisher, Sent. ...Treble Alfred Crodcher... ... 4 Charles Edwards ... ... 2 George Fisher ... ... 5 *William Fisher, Junr.... 3 Hubert Chaffey ... .... Tettor

* First peal with a bob bell. Ringers of I, 3,4 and 5 are local men. First peal by Mr. Fisher, Senr., whose age is 54 , he having only commenced change ringing in Igri. Rung as a birthday compliment to H. Chaffey.


## CHARING, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (Maidstone District.)
On Saturday, January 11, 1913, in Two Howrs and Fifty-six Minutes,
At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 133 cwt.
Horace Willard $\quad . . \quad$...Trelle $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Hood } & 2 & \text { Joseph Edwards } & \text { Charles }\end{array}$ Charles Frederick Good 2 Charles Leonard Prior 5 Harry E. Good... ... ... 3 John M. Collreay... ... Tenor

First peal by all the ringers. First peal by a local band, and the second peal on the bells.

## [No conductor mentioned.-ED.]

## HANDBELL PEAL.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, January 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Residence of A. H. Polling,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEE : Holt's Original.

| Septimus Radford | $\ldots$. | I- 2 | Willodghby E. Madlden | $5-6$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alfred H. Pulling | $\ldots$ | $3-4$ | Thomas W. Radford | ... |
| $7-8$ |  |  |  |  | Conducted by Alfred H. Polling.

Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to John Heathorn, of Guildford, the oldest ringer in the Winchester Guild, on reaching the age of 89 years; and to J. S. Goldsmith, of Woking. A peal of Stedman Caters was attempted the previous evening at the Abbot's Hospital, Guildford, in which Mr. Goldsmith took part and to which the old gentleman sat and listened, but to the regret of all the company and listeners, it was lost in the turning course.

DOUBLE WORCESTER BOB MAJOR.
A NEW METHOD.
Plain Lead.
12345678
21436587
24135678
42316587
24361857
42638175
46283715
64827351
46283751
64827315
46237135
64821753
68412735
86147253
81674523
18765432
18674523
Bob
17861523
Single
18764523
The abore method, which is musical and lends itself well to composition, may be interesting to Double Norwich ringers. A peal has been rung at Selly Oak, and will remain in abeyance two weeks after publication of this, pending any claim, etc. Failing euch claim, it will then be published under the above title by
J. PIGOTT,

Smethwick.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## BIGGLESTVADE BRANCH

At the annual meeting of the Biggleswade branch at Biggleswade which was poorly attended, owing to the wretched weather, Everton, Sotton. Clifton, Biggleswade, St. Noets, and Hitchin, were represented. -Mr. F. I'hompson presided over the business meeting, at which ten new members from the Biggleswade tower were elected, also the old hon. members, with the addition of the Rev. Cassell, of Old Warden. The following officers were elected to scrve another year: President, the Rev. R. S. Bagshaw, Vicar of Biggleswade; secretary and treasurer, Mr. F. Blood; and a committee of one from each tower attached. It is hoped that special efforts will be made during the coming year to obtain new members, and to make progress with ringing, so as to strengthen the branch.-A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar, who was unable to be present, for the use of the bells and tower, and a vote of thanks was also accorded to the chairman for his service.

## BEDFORD DISTRICT.

Tho meeting of the Bedford district. held at Kempston, was a great success, in spite of inclement weather. The fine ring of six bells was started going early in the afternoon, and was kept going oontinuously, except for a break to enable those present to partake of a tea provided by a generous donor. The ringing was exceedingly good, and ranged through a dozen or so of methods from Plain Bob to London Surprise.
Nearly 30 members sat down to tea, and afterwards the business meeting was held, under the excellent chairmanship of the vice-president, Miss E. Steel. Tho members asked the vice-president to convey their thanks to the donor of the tea, and requested the hon. sec. (Mr. J. W. Barker') to tender their congratulations to one of the hon. members, Mr. H. Browning, on attaining the high civic dignity of Mayor of the Borough of Bedford.
One of the members, Mr. W. T. Lightfoot, being determined to try his luck "'neath the Southern Cross," the meeting tendered him its goodwill and good wishes, and wished him the greatest prosperity among our Australian cousins.
As to the next meeting-place, a general desire was expressed for Cardington, and January 25 th was the date fixed
At the conclusion of a most delightful evening, Mr. Barker thanked, on behalf of the members, Mr. Cave, leader of the Kempston company, for making the necessary arrangements for the balls, and for his presence among the members. He gave a very hearty invitation to the Kempston band to meet the members on each and every occasion a meeting was held, and sincerely hoped that the meeting would be most beneficial to the Kempston ringers.

## A DICKENS' COINCIDENCE. <br> To the Editor.

Sir,-I wonder whether many of your readers happened to notice in your issue of January 3rd a curious reminder of "David Copperfield." On page 3, at the top of the left-hand column, the name of the tenor man in the peal rung at Bristol was Uriar Braven, while the treble ringer in the next reoorded peal was Harry Heap. Each of the two names in small oapitals being rather an unommon one, the coincidence of their occurring in close proximity is remarkable. - Yours truly,
F. L1. EDWARDS.

## S'T: MAR'TIN’S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

The annual meeting was held on Theeday week last, in the Guild's room at the Tamworth Arms Hotel, Moor Street, Birmingham, the presiding Ringing Master, Mr. J. S. Pritchett, being in the chair. A large number' of membors were present.-The business vias mainly formal, but, as usuml, great interest was shown in the statement of accounts presented by the secretiry, the balance sheet showing the financial state of the Guild to be an extremely satisfactory one.

The officers were re-elected en bloc, with the exception of Mr Charles Dickons, who, having been mado a trustec, vaoated the position of auditor, to which latter Mr. George Swann was unanimously olected.

It was decided to hold the annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner at "Ye Olde Royal," Temple Row, Birmingham, on Saturday, March 1st, the next quarterly meeting at Solihull (with the permission of the Rector), in April, at a date to be subscquently fixed.-Five new members were elected, and the business being disposed of, the remainder of the evening was spent in tune and change ringing on the handlells

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the South-Western District of the Essex Association was held at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, on Saturday, and was at tended by about 30 members. A service was held, at which the Vicar (the Rev. G. II. Siddans) addressed the ringers. The tea and business meeting followed immediately after the service, the chair being occupied by the Vicar, supported by Mr. G. A. Black, the Master of the South Western Division, and the Rev. H. E. Tilston. The following were made members: Messrs. P. R. Hislop, of Clapton; C. Hughes and G. Carter, of Walthamstow. Hornchurch was selected as the next place of meeting. - Votes of thanks to the Vicar for permission to hold the meeting at St. Saviour's and for his address at the service ended the meetins.

## THE "ARTHUR" JACOB FUND.

The following further amounts on behalf of the fund for assisting the widow of the late Mr. Arthur Jacob are acknowledged with thanks: Previously acknowledged, £10 5s. ; the Finchley ringers. per Mr. W. Tubb, 3s. 6d.; Mr. B. Foskett, 5s.; Mr. Barnard (Wood Green), 2s.; total, £10 15s. 6d.

## A DEVON OUTING.

The Holcombe Rogus band of the Devon Guild had a holiday trip at Christmas to several towers where change ringing is not yet done. At Culmstork they found a fine peal of six in good order, and a few touches of Grandsire and Stedman were tapped off. Uffculme was the next call, and here the position of the ropes makes ringing difficult. Ono and 2 run in the wrong direction, 3 is back in the righthand corner behind, 4,6 and 5 run in that order in a line on the opposite side of the belfry After several unsuccessful attempts for a six-score of Grandsire, in which the 3rd man was out in the cold, and another seemed to have his thoughts more on the cream in store than the ringing in hand. a fairly clean-struck 120 was brought round, and then having got used to the masual conditions, several others were rung. Halberton and Sampford PerereII were also visited, and the excursion was much enjoyed.

## THE LANCASTIRE ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting of the Rochdalo branch was held at Whitworth Parish Church, on Saturday. Members were present from Whitworth, Roohdale Parish, Balderstone, Glodwich, Oldham Parish, Middleton and Todmorden Unitarian.-The Rev. J. 12. Sohofield presided ofer the business meeting, and was made a life member of the Association.One other member was elected, and Milnrow was selected for the next meeting.-The bells were kept going till 8.30, in Grandsire Triples and IJols Major

5040 DOUBLE GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. By Dr. A. B. CARPENTER.

| 1st half. |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 234567 |  |
| 672453 | 1 |
| 476325 | 5 |
| 764325 | 2 |
| 257436 | 1 |
| 452673 | 5 |
| 654327 | 5 |
| 356742 | 5 |
| 563742 | 2 |
| 765234 | 5 |
| 267453 | 5 |

2nd half.

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\begin{array}{cc}
235476 & \\
\hline 762543 & 1 \\
567324 & 5 \\
365472 & 5 \\
653472 & 2 \\
456237 & 5 \\
254763 & 5 \\
752346 & 5 \\
467235 & 1 \\
674235 & 2 \\
276543 & 5
\end{array}
$$

Each to be four times repeated, with a Holt's Bob-single at the end of tho fifth and tenth parts.

Composed July 1st, 1912, and first rung at St. Mary's-on-the-Hill, Chester, conducted by Henry W. Wilde, on January 6th, 1913.

## COMPOSITIONS.

SOME PEALS OF PLAIN BOB AND SOME FRIENDLY ORITICISM.
By J. ARMIGER TROLALOPE.
In continuation of the article published on Dec, 27th, upon Originality in composition, Mr. J. A. Trollope, this week contributes a little firiendly criticism upon some of the compositions sent up for publication.
He writes: Now let us look at the peals of Bob Major and Maximus that have been sent to "The Ringing World" for publication, and I want it to be understood clearly that in criticising them I am doing so in no unkind way. I am saying publiciy what I have continually to say in private, in the hopes that the authors will profit by my remarks, be they favourable or the reverse.
First, we have three peals of Maximus, and let me say is it worth while to send peals of Maximus for publication? They are never rung, and the skill required to produce them is very very little.

## BOB MAXIMUS,

By Ernest Morris, Leicester.

| A. | 5280 | B. | 5016 |  | C. | 5016 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 23456 | W R | 23456 | W | R | 23456 | W | M | R |
| 53426 | S | 53426 | S |  | 45236 | - |  |  |
| 42536 | - - | 42356 | S | - | 24536 |  |  | - |
| 54236 | - | 34256 |  | - | 53246 | - |  | - |
| 23546 | - - | 25346 | - | - | 62345 |  | - |  |
| 52346 | - | 32546 |  | - | 36245 |  |  |  |
| 35246 | - | 35246 |  | S | 24365 | - |  | - |
| 24356 | - - | 23546 |  | - | 32465 |  |  |  |
| 32456 | - | 52346 |  | - | 34265 |  |  | S |
| 43256 | - | 53246 |  | S | 23465 |  |  |  |
| 25436 | - - | 24536 | - | - | 42365 |  |  |  |
|  |  | 52436 |  | $\overline{5}$ | 43265 |  |  | S |
|  | epeated | 54236 |  | S | $\stackrel{52436}{ }$ | - | - | - |
|  |  | 25436 42536 |  | - | 35426 | - |  |  |
|  |  | 45236 |  | S | 42356 | - |  | - |
|  |  | 32456 | - | S | 34256 |  |  |  |
|  |  | 43256 |  |  | 32456 |  |  | S |
|  |  | 24356 |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 43256 \\ & 24356 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |
|  |  | 23456 |  | S | $\begin{aligned} & 24356 \\ & 23456 \end{aligned}$ |  |  | S |

A and B, sixth at home throughout with all $3-6$ 's, $4-6$ 's, $5-6$ s, the 2nd only twice in 5 th's place, and only once in the 5016.

0 has all $6-5$ 's and $5-6$ 's, the 2nd only above 4tn's in one course; 5 th and 6 th only in 6th's place.
$A$ and $B$ are really one and the same composition. They consist of the " old " nine courses of Bob Major (1008), arranged thus:-
42356
34256
W $R$
34256
2545 $\qquad$ This repeated by singles would give eighteen courses.

32546
53246 being 23456 W $\mathbf{R}$

24536
52436
45236
23456
23456 - —
If you call another $S$ at the next wrong you would get back to the plain course, and you could go on with your nine courses, and then repeat the whole by adding a single at the last $R$. You would then have six singles, but to substitute bobs for two of them is the most obvious thing, and so you get peal A, or you can double each threecourse block in the nine courses by singles, and so you get $B$, and you can get a large number of variations on the same lines. Is the peal original? Well, I cannot say that I have ever seen it in print in exactly this form, but isn't it rather late to tell us that the old 1008 of Bob Major can be doubled by singles and an extra course singled in?
C is a peal quite worth ringing, for the keeping of the fifth and sixth together in $5-6$ gives the best musical results in Maximus. If I were going to oall a peal of Bob Maximus, this is the peal that I should call. It isn't mine, and I don't know quite who can claim it. It consists of two very old round blocks joined bry singles:

5016 BOB MAXIMUS

| 23456 |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 45250 | W | R | Continued | W |
| 24536 | B |  |  |  |
| 53246 | - | - | 35326 | - |
| 25346 | - | 53426 | - |  |
| 32546 | - | 42536 | - | - |
| 54326 | - | - | 24236 | - |
| 35426 | - | 43256 | - |  |
| 42356 | - | 24356 | - |  |
| 34256 | - | 23456 | S |  |
| 32456 | S |  |  |  |



5088 BOB MAJOR by H. Price.


Twice repeated.

There is nothing very original about this peal of Bob Royal by Mr H. Price, the 24 courses, with the 6 th at home, which form the body of the peal, are old. But it is decidedly a good composition to ring. The same criticism applies throughout to the same composer's 5088 three-part of Bob Major. The ten-course block which forms the main portion of each part is old, but that does not mean that it 19 not legitimate to use it in a new peal.

To be contimued.

## ROUND THE FESTIVE BOARD.

## HURSTPIERPOINT.

On New Year's Day the ringers of Holy Trinity Church, Hurstpierpoint, together with a goodly company of friends, sat down to their annual dinner prepared for them at the White Horse Inn.-The Rector presided, and after the toasts of "The King," "The Bishop and Clergy," and "The Navy and Army " had been Lonoured, the Chairman submitted "The Ringers." The Rector complimented them in glowing terms upon their ringing, the tidiness of their belfry, and their willingness to conform to his slightest wish. He said he never gave praise to anyone unless it was deserved, and so every word he spoke was what he really meant. - In their reply, Messrs. Stenning and Bransdes thanked the Rector for his complimentary words, and deplored the fact that there was no ringer of advanced methods among their number who could teach them new methods.-"The Town and Trade," "The Chairman " and "The Visitors" were the other toasts. The songs which went towards enlivening the evening were many and good, and thanks are due to the following gentlemen for their songs: The Reve. A. E. L. Sayers and E. Cresswell-Gee, Messrs. Collis, Oliver, Blaker, Jeplcott, Davey, Bransden and Couchman; also to Mr. Gladman for his excellent display with Indian clubs, and to Messrs. Davey, Mansbridge and J. Bransden and H. Bransdeu for a touch on handbells.

## ORSETT, ESSEX.

On Thursday week, the ringers of the Parish Church of St. Giles and All Saints' were entertained to their annual supper at the Rectory. by the Rev. W. C. Bishop and Mrs. Bishop. After supper, a vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector and his wife, on the motion of Mr. W. F. Fox, seconded by Mr. A. Keeling (captain of the ringers), and a very enjoyable evening wound up about 11 o'clock. Songs wera sung by Messrs. A. Keeling, W. F. Fox, A. Merchant, B. and W. Harrod, J. C. Bridge and Tom Kimmings, and a comic recitation given by the Rev. W. Tapper (curate), while the ringers rang a good selection of tunes and changes on their fine handbells.
Before the supper, the ringers visited the belfry, and rang several 120's of Grandsire Doubles, and also fired the bells 70 times in honowr of the 70th birthday of the Countess of Shannon, who has been staying at the hall, and who is aunt to the squire, Major Whitmore. Her ladyship sent a very nice letter to Mr. A. Keeling, to thank the ringers for their kindness in ringing, and for their good wishes, and wished them all " a happy New Year, and many more to follow." The ringers were: Messrs. B. Harrod, W. Harrod, A. Keeling, H. Chinnery, H. Joslin, and T Kimmings, and they were joined by Messire. J. Field, H. Plowright and C. Bridge.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.-At St. Peter's Church, on Jan. 2nd, after meeting short for a peal, 720 Oxford Bob: Rev. W. C. Pearson 1, J. Bennett, R.M.L.I. (first in the method) 2, G. Flemming 3, G. Benneti 4, A. Flemming 5, G. Farnish (conductor) 6.

BEDFORD.-At St. Peter's Church, on January 9th, 720 London Surprise: A. Robinson 1, J. Cooke 2, Mies F. Stec! 3, C. Stapletou 4, C. W. Clarke 5, W. Stapleton (conductor) 6.

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Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association.
Cambridge Survise Maximus by the College Youths.
Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on May 11th 1912.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association, June 1st.
Stedman Cinques by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17th.
Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the Kent Association, December 7th, 1912.

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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

## AN OLD SUFFOLK RINGER.

Our illustration is of the band at Leiston, who, on New Year's Day rang a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Button. It is not often that a ringer takes part in his own golden wedding peal, but Mr. Button, despite his more than 75 years, was able to ring the treble. The photograph includes five of the famous Bailey brothers, and Mr. Button is seated in the middle. The veteran was born at Rendham on April $3 \mathrm{rd}, 1838$, and has taken a great interest in bells and ringing ever since he was a boy. He has walked many hundreds of miles after ringing, and on two occasions (in 1855) rang in a peal for a prize of gloves. One
has rung altogether 46 peals, including Bob Triples, Bob Major, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Double Norwich, and the treble to Superlative and Cambridge. He took part in the first peal of Superlative on Leiston bells.
He has taught dozens of ringers, and is proud of the fact that he has a good company of men to ring for the Sunday services, which is his first object in teaching them to ring. He has turned out some good men among his pupils, one being Mr. Gabriel Lindoff. Mr. Button's three sons were all taught ringing, but only one has followed it up, and he now belongs to the Colchester company. Mr. Button is highly respected by the ringers of the Norwich Association, and particularly by the men of his own tower, for he has done much for ringing in this picturesque Suffolk village. He is the master of the com-


Back Row: J. M. Bailey, E. H. Bailey, G, Wilson, L. P. Bailey, E. S. Bailey. Seatel: C. Sampson, J. M. Bution, C. F. Bailey.
of these peals was at Rendham and the other at Sweffling. At that time there were several good five bell companies in the district, among them being the ringers of Aldeburgh, Peasenhall, Middleton, Great Glemham and Bemhall, and Old Grandsire and Bob Doubles were the methods chiefly rung.

After his apprenticeship had expired in 1859 he went to live at Leiston, where ringing was at a very low ebb. With four others he soon made up a company, and several methods were mastered. In the year 1883 the bells had got into such a bad state that ringing had to be discontinued, and the next year the Rector and churchwardens took up the question of their restoration. Just about that time Mr. Richard Garrett died, and his family, as a memorial to their brother, augmented the peal to eight by adding two trebles and a tenor and recasting the third.

With the help of the Kelsale men, an eight-bell company was formed, but for several years not much headway was made, Bob Triples and Major being the extent of the method ringing. Mr. Button was 65 years of age when he rang his first peal of Double Norwich, and he
pany and steeplekeeper, and only once has he missed going round at Christmas with the handbells during the 50 years he has been associated with the tower.

## ODD CHANGES.

Something out of the ordinary was rung at Chester last week, when the Chester Guild scored a peal of Double Grandsire Triples. This is the sort of thing which shows enterprise, and it would stimulate more interest if other novelties of this kind were more frequently introduced in other towers to add variety to performances.

On Thursday evening last week Mr. Ernest F. Creed (captain of the Castle Cary ringers) was presented with a handsome silver plated hot water kettle, by the Rector and ringers of West Lydford. Mr. Creed takes the keenest interest in ringing, and has, since the West Lydford bells were rehung, been instructing the band in change ringing.

Another quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples has been rung at St. Matthew's, Auckland, New Zealand, where the band seem to be doing well with the method, but, owing to the fact that they are all unable to get away from business at a convenient time, they are unable to arrange to go for a peal. The quarter was rung for morning service on November 24 th by J. F. Colgrove 1, A. Smallwood 2, J. Heather 3, E. J. Hamblin 4, O. Throssell 5, A. J. White 6, S. C. Hamblin (conductor) 7, P. Barringer 8.

Mr. C. F. Winney writes: An eloquent preacher once said we live in an age of " advertisement." "An ox in a teacup" an impossibility. I admire Mr. Grimes' generosity and marvellous energy. Most of his peals were taken part in to oblige others. The writer of the article did not hear the record peal of Bristol rung at Hornchurch. I would suggest he should have left out the words " the absence of anything approaching a muddle."

The Biggleswade Branch of the Bedfordshire Association is making excellent progress. It has only been formed a year, in a district where very little energy had previously been shown. It now has 33 ringing and 12 hon. members.

## ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

## NEW MASTER ELECTED

The annual general meeting of the Royal Cumberland Youthe So ciety was held at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on Saturday last, and despite the wretched state of the weather, was attended by upwards of 30 members. Considerable disappointment was felt that owing to the restrictions prevailing at St. Martin's there could be no ringing after 5.15. An adjournment was made at that time to the Vestry Hall, where an excellent tea was awaiting the members, having been generously provided by the Vicar (the Rev. L. Shelford), who personally welcomed the Society to St. Martins.
Mr. J. Parker was chosen to fulfil the duties of Master sor the proment year, Messrs. Dains, Bennett, Hardy and Hairs being re-elected to their reepective offices.-Messrs. C. Austin, of Edmonton and H. J. and A. E. Bradley, of Shoreditch, were elacted members, and the election of 11 members in various towers was confirmed.-It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at West Ham.
The subject of erecting a headstone to the memory of the late Mr. Arthur Jacob was discussed at some length, it being eventually decided to allow the matte: to stand over till the next meeting.

A pleasant evening was afterwards passed in the hall, the proceedings being enlivened by songs and courses of several methods on the handbells.

## FATAL ACCIDENT TO A RINGER. <br> DEATH OF MR. B. PERRETT, WOODFORD.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of Mr. Bert Perrett, of Woodford, Northants, who died on Thursday, January 2nd, at the age of 36 , as the result of an accident, he having been cruslicd between two waggons while following his employment at the Islip Iron Ore Furnaces. The deceased was leader of the ringers at Woodford. The bells of this church are ander renovation, and are away at Messrs. Taylor's foundry. Another bell is to be added to make a peal of six, and the deceased, with his fellow ringers, went to Loughborough on December 30 th to see the new bell cast. The late Mr. Perrett, who mas well known and enjoyed great popularity in the district, was actively identified with public life. In addition to boing os ringer, he also served the church in the capacity of chorister. He was a member of the Parish Council, and took an active part in friendly society and political work.
The funeral took place on Tuesday of last week, the ringers acting as bearers, while the choir walked by the side of the coffin. Mr. F. Wilford (general secretary of the Central Northamptonshire Association), Mr. F. Stubbs (district secretary, Raunds), Mr. W. Gilbert (Raunds), also attended. The bells of Great Addington were rung, mufled, during the evening.

PILL. GLOUCESTER.-On January 12th, for evening service, 720 Kent 'Treble Bob Minor: I, H. Moore (first 720 Kent) 1, G. H. Gale 2, ${ }^{*}$ L. H. Moore, senr., 3. "J. Cable 4, H. I. Cavill 5, J. Thomas, London (conductor) 6.' First 720 with bob bell. Also 360 Canterbury Minor,

## THE NORWICH SCHOLARS.

## THE REVIVAL OF AN ANCIENT SOCIETY.

On Thursclay of last week, the Society of Norwich Scholars spent a very enjoyable cevening at their meeting-house "The Walnut Tree Shades." The company included ringers, their wives and a few friends, and the thanks of them all are due to Mr. F. Knights for the arrangements he made. The programme was well sustained by Mr. Knights and his family, who delighted everyone with their clever handbell ringing aud comic songs. Messrs. Swain and Larder also rendered yooman service, their first-class singing being greatly appreciated. Mr. E. Knights at the piano was not the least of the evening's successes. This social evening has been an annual event for 300 years, but last year, owing to a variety of circumstances, was allowed to lapse. This year the outlook being brighter, it was rosolved to oontinue the old custom.
There is pretty general knowledge of the trouble that arose a few years ago between the authorities of St. Peter Mancroft and the society, since when the latter has had no tower for its headquarters, and it says mwh for the remaining members that they have kept the society afloat. There is a probability of the eight at St. Michael's, Cosland, being rehung shortly. That and the infusion of some fresh blood offers a fair prospect for the success of the famous old society in tho future.
Whatever the rights and wrongs wore of the trouble at Mancroft; it must be deplored that the renowned twelve are so seldom heard, and then invariably handled by visiting bands. It is to be hoped some steps may be taken to bring about an amicable settlement. If this be done, the Art is once more bound to flourish in the city which has played not a small part $i_{11}$ the history of the Excreise.
It is interestine to note that the Purse Ciub (Sick Benefit Club) run in connection wi'! the Ringing Society is doubly solvent, a fact which Mr. S. Smith and his colleagues can congratulate themselves upon.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A very successful meeting of the Cary Deanery branch was held at Wincanton, on Saturday last, when, although the weather was rough and wet, between 50 and 60 were present, iepresenting Bruton, Castle Cary. Ditcheat, Queen Camel, Templecombe, Buckhorn Weston, North Cheriton, South Cadbury, and Wincanton.-A short service was held in the church, the Rev. H. M. Spackman, Vicar of Wincanton, officiating, and delivering a very instructive address upon the position of ringers, his text being Psalm xxvi, "Be thou my judge, O Lord, for I have walked innocently." The choir were in attendance, and renderced some fine music, making the service as bright as porsible.
Afterwards the ringers were very kindly entertained to tea in the Sunday Schoolroom by the Rev. II. M. Spackman and his churchwardens, Mrs. Spacl:man and other ladies presiding at the tables.

The business meeting followed, the Vicar being heartily voted to the chair. Mr. T. G. Vincent, senr.. of Ditcheat, was chosen as president to the branch for the year, and Mr. T. G. Vincent, junr., was again elected hon. secritary. Twelve new members were elected, and ono tower affiliated to the Ascociation. Marston Magna was chosen as the next place of mceting. in May.-Vates of thanks were accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells and arranging the service, and also to him and his churchwardens for their kindness in entertaining tho ringers to tea.-The Vicar. in replying said he was pleased to think the Castle Cary branch had chosen Wincanton as a place of meeting, and whenever they felt inclined to arrange another meeting there they would be accorded the same welcome as they had been that afternoon. -This concluded the business, and a move was then made to the tower, where the bells were kept going in various methode until 8.30, and bringing a very pleasant mecting to a close.

## LEEDS SOCIETY.

The monthly meeting of the Leeds and District Society was held at Pudsey on Saturday. The attendance was not as large as usual, owing to the wrelched state of the weather. The following towers were represented: Bolton, Bradford. Calverley, Guiseley, Holbeck, Headingley, Mirfield. Shipley, Tong, and the local lingers. A peal of Kent Treble Bob Major was rung in the afternoon by a mixed company, and touches were also rung in the evening by visitors.
The business mecting was held at the Golden Lion IIoteI. The President (Mr. P. J. Johnson) was unfortunately absent owing to having a blood poisoned hand, and his place was taken by Mr. J. Broadley.Mr. F. Robinson, of Mirfield, was clected a member of the society. The arrangements for a peal attempt at Armley, on February 8th, were left to the-secretary.-A vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens of Pudsey and local ringers was proposed by Mr. J. B. Jackson, secondod by Mr. W. B. Smith, and carricd amidst applause.Mr. E. Hoyle responded, offoring a hearty welcome to all ringers and remarking that the bells were always available.-Mr. T. Maude, in a brief speech. said ho always enjoyed coming to Pudsey, and hoped that before long they would have ten bells instead of eight.- The remainder of the evening was spent in lianctbelf ringing. The nomination meeting will be held at Armley on February 8th, when a good attendance is requested.

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# FOUR PEALS IN A DAY." 

STORY OF AN ATTEMPT IN FOUR COUNTIES.

## AN ABORTIVE EFFORT.

For the past twelvemonth, an old ambition of the late ' 90 's has continually cropped up, and at last led me to see what could be done by way of an attempt for four peals in a day. The original set of towers intended was Staines (St. Mary's), Chertsey, Old Windsor, and Wraysbury, but, owing to the lapse of a score of years, it has now been amended for Staines (St. Peter's), Lgham, Old Windsor, and Wraysbury-the gift of a second ring of eight to the town of Staines in 1902, and the addition of trebles to the six at Egham in 1912, offering a nore compact quartet of towers with easier bells for the undertaking. In the course of recent correspondence, I found out that others had had the same object in view, in one case the four peals being confined to one tower in a day in Sussex. While at Chipping Norton on the Oxford Guild tour of last October, my ideas were further whetted by the proximity of the famous "Four Shires Stone," which marks the point of contact for the counties of Oxford, Gloucester, Worcester and Warwick, and the only one possible, I believe, in the whole of Great Britain. Reading is another centre where Oxford, Bucks, Berks and Hants could be negotiated, whilst the East End of London, by means of the ferry across the river Thames, would give Essex, Kent, Surrey and Middlesex. Our Birmingham friends also have a group of four counties which could be utilised, but there does not appear to be a more favourable quartet of county belfries than those referred to in this article, and which are paired off by the bed of father Thames, not far from the famous old oblelisk, known as the "London Stone," near Staines.
The Rochester Row band, during the height of their Surprise career, visited this district on April 27th, 1901, and scored three peals in three counties in the order named, each being the first peal in the method on the bells, but those at St. Mary's, Staines, have since got into ill-going order, and are now practically unringable: Old Windsor, Iondon Surprise; Wraysbury, Superlative Surprise; Staines (Old Church), Cambridge Surprise.
These three ocunties were again visited by some of the London talent on April 24th, 1905, when London Surprise was achieved at Old Windsor, Wrajsbury and Isleworth (Middlesex). In each case there were three conductors, and the same men rang in all three peals in both undertakings which were under the auspices of the Ancient Society of College Youths. Of course, nothing short of four peals of London can now supersede the day's performance of the Passmore band. I heard most of the peal at Wraysbury, and, notwithstanding the terribly false clappering of these bells, it was an excellently-struck peal, and this reference from an impartial witness is probably fresh news to the band concerned.

After an alteration of date, the present attempt for "Fourfold" was formally fixed up for Tuesday, January 7th, and from the first I was greatly encouraged in the proposal by the respective clergy, and have great pleasure in naming them as gentlemen who did their best for the venture with due care and consideration for their own parishroners. We were not wanted in the afternoon at one tower, by no means early morning at another-and not late at night at still an-other-however, the puzzle was fitted together at length like a chess board, but when we came to find the men and to place them, a very severe game of " checkmate" ensued. Rosy prospects arose at first, in November and December, since the names of willing candidates disclosed a good Surprise team, but business and the Christmas holjdays intervened, and one after anotier had to decline the honour with thanks and good wishes for our success. Corpl. F. A. Holden, trans ferred from Chatham to Deal for two years, found it impossible to get leave again, and, by-the-way, he's after more stripes. May he get four up before the four-peal day comes off. Others who had to decline for various reasons were: Messre. A H. Pulling, F. Bennett. B. Prewett, J. Parker, G. Williams, K. Hart, eto.

I hardly like taking up so much of your columns with details, but the gist of the replies were mostly in favour of four Surprise, and a great deal of interesting advice and commentary is available if our Editor would permit. Well, at last, we had a band, such as it was-all strong and willing pealmen; and, notwithstanding a battle royal with some of the kings on our chess board, they each kept to their promises, and met punctually. The next difficulty to overcome was the question of society-four were proposed at one time. so that cverything should be quadrupled if possible, such as four composers, four conductors, four bells per man, but we overlooked the fourth day of the fourth month, and perbaps that would bo more appropriate in the year 1914. An opportunity once existed of adding the venture to the records of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, but when it was found so many of the prominent ringers belonging to the various County and Diocesan Associations around London also belonged to the old London Society, known as the Royal Cumberland Youths, a good majority declared in favour of the latter, if only to rouse up the brotherhood from its present lethargic and disbanded conditions.

Having fixed up the towers, the bands, and the society to our mutual
satisfaction, one would havo thought the organiser was free from further care, but this was not to be. 'The mothods had to be weighed up next, and four Surprise peals were found wanting. We could have managed, perhaps, two of them. However, on the principle of whole hog or none: we came down to Standard methods, again in four varieties. but with the additional feature of being the first poal in the method on the bells four times, if we were successful. Quite early in my correspondence, I found I had to "father my flock" while travelling. Some wanted to bring their cycles to ride round the parishes. another suggested a couple of motor cars, and others inquired as to trains, and townrds old Christmas Day I began to think my tether was not only at an end, but was well nigh severed. It was due to an unexpectedly favourable telegram from Clapton on the Friday previous, that the whole affair was not abandoned on the Saturday, and even then the state of the River Thames owing to the excessive December rainfall was such (3ft. above head at Windsor) as to render a crossing by feruy boat in the darknees of a winter's night almost impossible. Yet "Father Thames" was willing. He subsided sufficiently and in good time to allow our party to go over from Bucks to Herks in two loads with the assistance of friendly lanterns on each bank as prearranged
The programme stipulated for meeting at the Catherine Wheel, Egham, between 8 and 9 a.m. on Monday, January 6th. On Tuesday thn band wero aroused at 4 a.m., the arrangements being as under:-
St. John the Baptist's, Egham, Surrey (Rev. W. 'T. Nicholson, Vicar) Bob Major, $5 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.: breakfast. $8.15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. ; train, Fgham to Staines, 8.55 a.m.

St. Peter's, Staines, Miiddlesex (Rev. HI E. Hall, Vicar), Double Norwich, 9.30 a.m. Lunch at the Packhorso Hotel at 12.30. Train, Staines to Wraysbury, 1.33.
St. Andrew's, Wraysbury, Bucks (Rev. L. F. Hake, Vioar). Kent Treble Bob Major, 2.15 p.m. Tea at the George Inn at 5.15. Walk to ferry for crossing at 6 p.m
St. Peter's, Old Windsor, Berks (Rev. J. R. Napier, Vicar), Oxford Treble Bob Major at 6.30 p.m. Supper at The Wheatsheaf at 10 p.m.; train to London from Datchet, 10.49 p.m.
This programme was practically adherod to with the following ex ceptions, to which I have added a fow notes. The trains from Egham to Staines and Wraysbury were not used, Mrs. Harry Loo kindly allowing us to use her motor brougham, holding six, and the other two cycling.
The Wraysbury attempt lasted 2 hns. and 5 mins., when two ringers changed their work. Most London men know the difficult striking and circle of those bells, but in addition we were smoked out, like rats in a hole, for over an hour with the sulphurous fumes of a beating apparatus chimney blowing directly into the belfry window; we were subjected to a long spell of powerful organ playing, coupled with a noisy ringing room just under the bells, and last, but not least, we rather overdid the hot lunch at Staines, and sadly wanted forty winks; while workmen were also about building a covered way and decorating the church for a wedding on the morrow. I mention these facts only as partial excuso for our failure. Such a band culght to have finished a good peal of Treble Bob-as they were all fairly freshand after putting up with such difficulties for over an hour. Mr.
Goorge Gigg, of Egham, kept us company round to Wraysbury, and Goorge Gigg, of Egham, kept us company round to Wraysbury, and
there left us to return to Figham with a mysterious packet of eight sovereigns in his pocket. Mr. A. G. Kettle, captain of the Egham Society, sent us a hearty welcome with tile best wishes of his company for our success. At Stanes we were met by the Rev. R. W. Hodges, curate-in-charge, during the absence of the Vicar, suffering with a serious cold. Mr. Hodges very kindly officiated as our chaplain, and said the belfry office before we pulled off, and later congratulated us, and presided at our luncheon at the Packhorse Hotel, where we wers joined by Messrs. Preston and Butler, of the local company.
Our mortification having subduad over tea at the George Inn, not before a good sluice of the nose and mouth in water had removed the burning dryness of coke firing, it was decided to go on to Windsor an arranged; but not to attempt a peal since the object of our visit could not be concluded that day. At Old Windsor we were met by Messis. J. Guttridge and Wm. Welling, and touches of Superlative Surprise and Double Norwich Major and Stedman Triples were rung from 6.20 to 7.30 p.m. The Vicar and churchwarden not only came to welcome us. but oach pulled a bell also. Instead of going home by the last up train from Datchet, at 10.49 to Waterloo, our party broke up at 8.30 p.m., not altogether satisfied, and by no means disappointed with their ringing ramble into four countios in one day.

All the bells were carefully greased and raised, ropes attended to, and the belfries put in readiness on the day before our visits, and our best thanks are duo to the respective steeple keepers for doing their utmost to bring about succoss: Mr. Gigg, Egham; Mr. Parker, Staines Mr. Burley, Wraysbury; and Mr. Gnttridge, Old Windsor. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Loc, of the Catherine Wheel, Cgham, entered into the spirit of our task, and ensurad our being called at 4 a.m., and provided with an early breakfast for our day's start off. Although we have no record to chronicle, everybody gave us assistanco readily, and so enabled us to economise time, one of the most important factors in such a contract. Well. Whenever it is done, the 20,000 changes in four poals, with intervals, will not equal e $15,000 \mathrm{rung}$ in one continuoud peal.-W.F.F.

## NOTICES.

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## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL. <br> PRELIMINARY NO'TICE.

The Second Session of the Eighth Council (23rd annual meeting) will be held at Newcastle-on-Tyne on Whitsun Tuesday, May 13th, 1913. Reports of committees and notices of motion should reach me not later than Saturday, April i2th, in order that they may be forwarded in due course for insertion in the ringing papers. Hon. secretaries of the Diocesan or County Guilds or Associations affiliated to the Council will kindly bear in mind that affilia tion fees (2s. 6d. for each elected representative) became due on the ist inst., and should be forwarded to me without delay. The rights of representatives whose quota has not been paid are in abeyance until payment has been made. I shall be glad if they will at the same time kindly inform me of any change in their own address since last year or in that of any of their representatives, or of any change in the representation itself.-Charles D. P. Davies, Honorary Secretary and Treasurer, Fretherne, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire. N.B.-Please do not make Postal Orders payable at Stonehouse, which is six miles distant.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824). - Southern District. - The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, January 18th, 1913, at St. George's, Southwark. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow.Frank A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, s.W.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824).-Northern District. - The general meeting of this district will be held at St. Mary's, Islington, on Saturday, January 18th, 1913. The tower will be open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting at 8.I5 p.m. at the Old King's Head. All members and friends cordially invited.-J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7D, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.
THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.Quarterly meetings will be held at Lowick on Saturday, January 18th; Isham on January 25th; Irthlingborough on February ist.-F. Wilford, General Secretary, I49, Ashburnham, Road, Northampton.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Quarterly meeting of the Maidstone District will be held at Aylesford, on Saturday, January 18th. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., followed by the usual business meeting. Subscriptions are now due.-G. Moore, District Secretary, 7I, Florencき Road, Maidstone.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Manchester Cathedral on Saturday, January I8th. Bells available at 5 p.m. Meeting at 7. - W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Dorking and Leatherhead District.-The annual meeting of the above district will be held at the Church Roon, Dorking, on January 18th, 1913. Bells open at 4 p.m. Tea at 6, followed by general meeting.-R. H. Freeman, Honorary Sccretary, Rectory Lane, Shere.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Northern Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Oldbury on Saturday, January 18th. Service in the Parish Church at 4.45 . Bells available at 3 . p.m. Tea at the Talbot Hotel at 5.30, Is. 3d. each. Business meeting after.-E. J. Dowler, Branch Honorary Secretary, 9, Edward Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Selling on Saturday, January i8th, 1913. Bells available from 3 p.m. Divine service at 5.15 p.m. Tea, provided by S. Neame, Esq., will be taken at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The annual subscriptions are now due, and may be paid at this meeting.-E. Trendell, Honorary District Secretary, Boughton, Faversham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The quarterly meeting will be held at Penwortham orr January 18th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Meeting at $5 \cdot 30$ : New reports given out at this meeting.-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-dale.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-Quarterly meeting at Perry Barr, Saturday, January i8th. Bells available at 3. Service, with address at 5.30. Tea at 6.-H. Knight, Honorary Secretary, I5, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch.-A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas, Liverpool, on Saturday, January i8th. Belis ready at 5. Meeting at 6.30.-Walter Hughes.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Axbridge Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Congresbury on Saturday, January i8th. Service at 4.30, tea and meeting to follow. Tea gd. each. Bells. available from 2 p.m.-J. Harris, Branch Secretary, Burnham.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on the 21st; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 3oth; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 21st; Southwark Cathedral on the 28th; St. Magnus 7.30 p.m.; the others at 8 p.m. Also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturday evenings. A district meeting will be held at St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, or February ist. Tower open for ringing at 3.30 . Evensong $5 \cdot 30$. Tea in the Vicarage Hall at 6.15 . Will members intending to be present kindly let me know by January 28th? William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual meeting of the South and West District will be held at Isleworth on Saturday, January 25th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea by kind invitation of the Vicar, in the Hartland Road Mission Hall at 6, followed by business meeting. Members and friends cordially invited.-H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Malvern Link on Saturday, January 25 th, 1913. Service at 4 p.m. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. Tea provided.-R. G. Knowles, Branch Secretary, Madresfield, Malvern.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Whitwick on Saturday, January $25^{\text {th }}$. Belis ready at 2.30 . Committee meeting:
at 4 ; tea (Is. each) at 4.45 , both in the National Schornl. Will those who intend taking tea kindly notify Mr. H. Pegg, Market Place, Whitwick, by the previous Thursday? The committee request that all subscriptions up to the end of 1912 be paid in at once. - W. E. White, Honorary Secretary.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-A quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, January $25^{\text {th }}$, at Bishop Ryder's Church, Birmingham. Bells (8) available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea will be arranged for those attending who let me know by January 2oth. Subscriptions are now overdue, and should be paid at this meeting. Committee meeting after tea.-Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern

 Division.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Christ Church, Blacklands, Hastings, on January 25 th. Ringing from 3 to 8 o'clock. Service 5 o'clock; tea and meeting after service. Members wishing to be present at tea must let me know by Tuesday, zist inst. Will secretaries kindly note subscriptions for 1912 are overdue and those for IgI3 are now due.-Geo. H. Howse, Honorary Division Secretary, "Kenilworth," Latimer Road, Eastbourne.THE BEDS ASSOCIATION.-Bedford District.The next meeting will be held at Cardington on Saturday, January 25th. Eight bells. Motor 'buses. Tea 6d.John W. Barker, District Secretary.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at Southgate, by kind permission of the Rev. C. F. Peploe, on Saturday, January ${ }^{2} 5^{\text {th }}$. Bells ready at 3.30 . Short service at $5 \cdot 30$. Tea at the Cherry Tree at 6 o'clock, 6d. each. Members and friends cordially invited. Members are reminded that subscriptions for ${ }^{191} 3$ are now due.-C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Chew Deanery Branch.-The annual mecting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, January 25th. Bells available at 3.30. Divine service at $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and business meeting 5.30.-George Yeo, Honorary Local Secretary.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch.--The annual meeting will be held at Grantham on Saturday, January 25th. Bells ready at noon. Service in the Parish Church at 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided at the Grantham Dairy Co., Westgate, at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at is. 6d. each. Business meeting after. Members and friends will be given a hearty welcome, and are requested to give notice of attendance not later than January igth. A. Markwell, District Secretary, Ingoldsby.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A district meeting will be held at Aldenham on Saturday, January 25 th, igr3. Bells available at 4 p.m. Tea at the Chequers at $5 \cdot 30$ at 9 d . per head. It is hoped that members will endeavour to be present. All ringers welcome. -H. Eden, Honorary Secretary, Western Division, 43, Heath Road, Oxhey, Hertford.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Selby on Saturday, January 25th. Service in the Abbey Church at 4 p.m. For the day's arrangements see circular.-Clement Glenn, Honorary Secretary, ir, Fisher Road, Sheffield.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge District. -The annual meeting of this district will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, January 25th, 1913. Tower open at 3. Committee meeting at 4. Service in church at 5. Tea in the Oddfellows' Hall at 5.45 , followed by the general meeting. All members intending to be present at tea are requested to notify the district secretary not later than Tuesday, January 2 ist. Sixpence per head will be charged towards cost of the tea.-W. Latter, Honorary District Secretary, 26, Duke's Road, Tunbridge Wells.

VISITORS at the annual meeting of the Tonbridge district, held at Edenbridge on January 25th, are invited to save money by taking advantage of $J$. W. Steddy's ANNUAL SALE, which will be on at that time. Clothing and boots of every description at lowest prices, catalogue on application. Two hundred men's overcoats, worth 25 s., all sizes, carriage paid, $15 s .6 \mathrm{~d}$. - J. IV. Steddy, Edenbridge.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Portsmouth District. - The annual district meeting will be held at Portsea on Saturday, January 25 th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea at Parish Institute $5 \cdot 30$, meeting after. Short service at Parish Church $7 \cdot 30$. Members requiring tea kindly inform me by the 2rst.-J. W. Whiting, District Secretary, Fareham.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A district meeting will be held at Fulbourn on Saturday, January 25 th. Short service at 5 o'clock. Tea at $5 \cdot 30$.-P. Webb, District Secretary:

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.-A meeting will be held at Cheshunt on January 25 th, when the bells will be available at $3 \cdot 30$. Tea at the Green Dragon, Church Gate, at $5 \cdot 45$, members 6 d ., others 9d., business meeting after. All will be made welcome. W. H. Lawrence, Honorary District Secretary.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham District.-The next meeting will be held at Greenwich on Saturday, January 23 th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Church Room, followed by business meeting. Service at 6 p.m., with address by the Rev. T. R. H. Sturgess. Those intending to be at the tea must notify me not later than Tuesday, January 2 ist. Subscriptions are due, and should be paid at this meeting.T. Groombridge, Honorary District Secretary, 34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP GUILD.-The next meeting of the above Guild will be held at Malins Lee on Saturday, February ist, I913. Business meeting at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.-H. B. Beckwith, Honorary Secretary, Ridgemount, Shrewsbury.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern District.A meeting will be held at Great Baddow on Saturday, February ist, i913. Bells at 4. Tea and meeting at King's Head $5 \cdot 30$, 8d. each. Kindly send notice for tea not later than Wednesclay, the 2gth inst. - Henry F. Cooper, District Secretary, County Offices, Chelmsford.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Ordsall on Saturday, February ist. Tower open 2 p.m. to 9. Retford Station seven minutes' walk from church. Tea at 5 p.m., is. per head. All intending to be present please write Mr. J. White, Ordsall, Retford, not later than January 28 th. $\Lambda$ good attendance is desired.-H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary, ro3, Gateford Road, Worksop.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will take place at St. Peter's, Croydon, on Saturday, February ist. Parish Church bells (8) open at 2.30 , St. Peter's (io) at 3.30 . Service at St. Peter's at 5 p.m. Tea at $5 \cdot 45$ at St. Peter's Hall. Business meeting after. - Cyril F. Johnston, Honorary Secretary, Bell Foundry, Croydon.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.-Pre-Lent meeting will be held at Tanfield on Saturday, February ist. Bells available afternoon and evening. Committee meeting at the Pack Horse Inn at 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Members is., non-members is. 6d. Those intending to be present please notify Chas. Todd, Bracken Road, Darlington.
CHANGE OF ADDRSSES.-Mr. J. Hunt, late of Guildford, has removed to 94, Mayola Road, Clapton, London, N.E.-Mr. G. R. Newton has removed from 6, Aigbuith Vale, to Mossley Hill Mews House, Liverpool.
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FYLINGDALES, YORKS.-The Cleveland and North Yorkshire As-sociation.-On December 31st. before midnight, with the bells muffled a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. : W. Duck 1, C. Watson 2, J. B. Buda 3, G. Wellburn 4, J. W. Lowther 5, J. W. Wilkinspn 6, G. F. Alexander (conductor) 7, F. Townsend 8. After midnight, to usher in the New Year. 504 Grandsire Triples: C. Watson 1, M. Duck 2. J. B. Budd 3, G. F. Alexander (conductor) 4, J. W. Lowther 5, J. W. Wilkinson 6, R. Duck 7, F. Townsend 8.

HAUGHTON, STAFFORD-On Saturday, Jan. 4 th, in 63 mins., 2040 Doubles, being 10 six-scores of Grandsire and seven of St. Dunstans, each ealled differently: T. Tunnicliffe 1, B M. Duke 2, C, H. Smith 3, G. Booth 4, J. J. Taylor (conductor) 5.

NORTHBOURNE. - The Kent County Assaciation.-On Jan. 4th, 720 Kent Treble Bob: H. C. Castle 1, ${ }^{*} \mathrm{E}$. Kemp 2, F. A. Holden (conductor) 3, *J. Trinder 4. *L. Ladd 5, E. W. Verrier $6 .{ }^{*}$ First in the method. Also 720 Bob Minor, with H. C. Castle, conductor.
DEAL.-On Suliday, Jan. 5th. 720 Bob Minor: J. Axon 1, A. Long 2, F. A. Hoklen 3, E. Kemp 4, L. Ladd 5, H. C. Castle (conductor) 6.
HORLEX, SURREY. - On Jan. 5th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, for evening service: F. Voice 1, J. Kenward 2, H. J. Dewer 3, A. Bashford 4, G. Illman 5, S. Kenward (conductor) 6, $\mathbf{P}$. Etheridge $7, \mathrm{~A}$. Songhurst 8.
TARNHAM ROYAL.-On Sunday, Jan. 5th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples: J. Smewings (first quarter-peal) 1, A. Bateman 2. G. Basden 3. E. Garbett 4. J. J. Parker 5, J. Elderfield 6, W. Henley (conductor) 7, J. Bovington 8.
HAMMERSMITH.-St. Paul's Guild.-On January 5th, for morning service, 1264 Bob Major, in 45 mins.: W. H. Stevens 1, H. Barrett 2, R. Mackrill 3. H. Cook 4, IF. Stevens 5, E. Cassell 6, F. Skevington (conductor) 7. C. Hunt 8.
ACTON.-At St. Mary's Church, on January 8th, 1232 Grandsire Triples: J. IR. Mackman (conductor) 1. W. Phillips 2, F. G. Symonds 3. II. W. Cotton 4, R. Holloway 5, C. H. Dobbic 6, A. Harris 7, J. W. Fruin 8.

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The re-oasting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two now ones in the tower of St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, reoently carried out by you has proved most succeseful, and given coneral satisfaction.

I am authorised by tine Rector and Wardens to say how pleased thay are with the result. In the opinion of thowe woll qualified to judre, we hava now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom.

Yours faithfully, F. T. BEOK,
Arohitect, Dioocesm Survojor.

## BELLS AND RINGING ABROAD.

It has often been said, and with truth, that bell ringing is essential an English science and pastime. Nowhere outside this country has it taken firm root-hold, for even in Wales, Ircland and Scotland, with a few noteworthy exceptions, there is no district in which it is generally practiced as it is almost throughout England. One frequently hears the question asked by the curious, "Why is it?" There are probably a variety of causes, but the chief is the lack of bells hung in peals for ringing. Even in the Colonies the Art has not established itself, except here and there in a precarious manner. Transplanted from its native soil, it does not seem to flourish long in any place, as we have seen from recent reports sent from overseas.

Most of the colonial cities are, of course, of comparatively recent growth, they are the products of the modern methods of civilisation, where everything is done by hustm ling and money is spent only upon that which is going to bring a return in money. The result is that the Church, in its efforts to expand with the increasing populations, has barely enough to carry out its spiritual functions, let alone provide for the places of worship such expensive luxuries as peals of bells.

Eyen at home the bells are the last consideration, while in the Colonies they are still less thought about, and the towers, when erected to give architectural dignity to the buildings, are of such a character that they would be totally unfit to stand the swing of a peal. The result is that when, under a generous impulse, some beneficent person desires to add a ring of bells to a colonial church, the conditions usually only permit of them being hung for chiming. Several peals in recent years have been sent to Canada to be erected in towers far too fragile to allow of the bells being rung, and those from the old country who might thus have the opportunity of planting the Art in a new centre are thus debarred.

Under these circumstances it is very pleasing to learn from Dr. Nicolls, of Boston, U'S.A., that the recent in., stallation at Hingham, Massachusetts, has stimulated a movement to place English bells in two other towers of Now England. The new peal in the lofty tower of the Perkins Institution for the Blind will shortly be dedicated, which will make the fifth belfry at or near Boston available for half-pull ringing. There is at present, however, a deplorable dearth of ringers, but that is a difficulty more easily surmounted than the obtaining of ringable peals of bells. If Dr. Nicolls could get round him from England the nucleus of a good change ringing band, much might perhaps bo done to spread the Art under the Stars and Stripes. At any rate, it looks as if there is a field here for work, if only the men can be found.

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

## BRISTOL

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Jamary 18, 1913, in Fowr Hours und Seventecn Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Redcliffe,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANCES;
Tenor 50 cwt. 2 qr. 2 I lbs.

| Henry Porch ... ... ...Tyeble | Henry Pring |
| :---: | :---: |
| Raymond John Wilkins ... 2 | William Knight |
| Henry Brownjohn ... ... 3 | George Condick, Junt.... 9 |
| Albert Stowell | William Stowell ... ... io |
| Richard Clark ... ... ... 5 | John A. Burford ... ... if |
| Alfred E. Reeves ... ... 6 | William A. Cave ... ...Teno |
| Composed by the Re Conducted by | H. Law James, and lam A. Cave. |

Rung as a welcome home to the Vicar, the Rev. J. N. Bateman Champain and Nrs. Bateman-Champain, daughter of the Bishop of Kensington, who were married at Christ Church, Lancaster Gate, on December 28th, 1912.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

## LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLIEGE YOUTHS.
On Thursday, Jamary 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Tienty-tiio Minutes, At the Church of St. Dunstan, Stepney, E.,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5006 CHANCES;
Tenor 3 r cwt., in D .
Henry Springall ... ...Treble ${ }^{*}$ Robert W, Green... ... 6 Thomas H. Taffender ... 2 †Charles W. R. Grimwood 7 Arthur D. Barker ... ... 3 fFrederick J. Hardy ... 8 William Tross ... ... ... 4 Emanuel Hall ... ... 9 James Scholes ... ... ... 5 George Barrell ... ... Tenor

Composed by Arthor Knights, and
Conducted by Thomas H. Taffender.

* First peal of Caters. $\dagger$ First peal of Stedman Caters with an inside bell. $\ddagger$ Fiftieth peal.

CROYDON, SURREY.
THE SURREI ASSOCIATION
On Satwidy, January 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Trenty-füc Minutes At the Church of St. Peter

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;
Tenor 30 cwt. o qr. 20 lbs.
Walter S. Wise ... ...Tveble ! Alfred J. Trappitt George I. Hoad ... ... 2 *Edwin L. Miles Dr. Arthur B. Carpenter 3 Arthur Dean ... ... ... 8 Charles Dean... ... ... 4 *Cyril F. Johnston... ... 9 *David Wright ... ... 5 Leonard F. Taylor ...Tenor

Composed by Henry W. Haley, and Conducted by Walter S. Wise. * First peal of Stedman Caters. First peal on the bells.

## ASTON MANOR.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Satwrday, January 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Nineteon Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS; 6003 CHANGES;

| Arthur Edgerton | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Treble | James Hopkin ...... | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William J. Meers | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | William F. Webb ... | .. |
| 7 | 7 |  |  |  |  |
| John Jennings ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | William G. Ellis ... | .. |

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## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

KIRTON-IN-HOLLAND, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Eastern Branch.)
On Tuesday, January 7, 191.3, in Three Howrs and Twenty Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 17 cwt .
*John W. Daughton .Treble Harry Bishop ..
..

- Thomas Howard

Isach C. Slatters..... .3 Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and Conducted by War. Barker. * First peal. First peal on the bells since the rehanging by Messrs. John Warner \& Sons.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Wednesday, January 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At St. Chad's (R.C.) Cathedral,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES ;
Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Five-Part. Tenor 15 cwt., in F sharp.
John Carter ... ... ...Tyeble Albert Walker ... ... 5
Thomas J. Bratton ... ... 2 | Samuel Groves ... ... 6
 Harry Withers... ... $\ldots \ldots{ }^{4}$ Walter Gossage
Conducted by Thas J. Bratton.
Rung for the conductor's 5oth birthday which took place on the $7^{\text {th }}$ and is the first conducted by him since 1898 . He wishes, through the medium of this paper, to thank those eminent practitioners who so kindly consented to take part in the peal.

## SMETHWICK, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSIIIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(Northern Branch.)
On Monday, January 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. John,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;
Tenor to cwt.
George Pigott ... ...
Treble | Morris J. Morris ...
Miss Sarah Pigott. Horace Howell $\qquad$ $2 \mid$ Walter Pigott 5
6 John Bass Composed by Joseph Pigott, and Conducted by Samuel Grove.
First peal in the method by all except the ringers of treble, 4 th and tenor. Rung as a birthday compliment to George Pigott.

## NORTIICH.

THE NORWIGH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Junary 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist and the Holy Sepulchre,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

## Tenor io cwit.

Charles Brundell ... ...Tyeble William W. Goodbourn John Freeman ...... George Mayers ... ... 3 Charles W. Bullen ... 7 Arthur C. Tyrrell. Composed by F. ${ }^{4}$. E. W. Meadows, and John E. Burton ... ...Tenor Conducted by John E. Burton.

## OXHEY, HERTS

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Jamary 14, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, at the Church of St. Matthew,
A Peal df new cumberland surprise major, 5184 changes; Tenor 8 cwt. i qr. is lbs.
Thomas L. Simmons... ...Treble $\mid$ George N. Price ... ... 5 Charles N. Leman... $\ldots . .{ }_{2}$ William Hodgetts ${ }^{\text {... }} 6$ Frank T. Martin $\quad . .$. Henry Hodgetts ... ... 4 Frederick W. Brinklow Tenor Composed by Frank Bennett, and Conducted by Gro. N. Price. First peal in the method in the county, by the Association and by all the band.

## ST. LEONARDS-ON-SEA.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On IVednesdur, January 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes, At Christ Church,
a PEAL OF Stedman triples, 50 go ghanges;
Thurstans' Four-Part.
Francis R. Kennett... ...Treble

Arthur K. Gower...$\quad$... 3 Joseph Sharp ......
Walter Allcock ... ... 4 Harry Denman ... ...Tchor
This is G. Howse's 50th peal of Stedman Triples.

BENHILTON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On IVedneslay, January 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF DOUble NORWiCh COURT bob Major, 5120 Changes;

 Walter S. Wise ... ... 2 *Edifin L. Miles ... ... 5
 Charles Dean..

Composed by Frank Bennett, and Conducted by David Wright.
*First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Wright, wife of the conductor.

## BOLNEY, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednislay, January 15, 1913-in Trio Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL ef GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Changes;

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor if cwt.
Thomas Gasson ... ... ...Treble
William Vincent Arther Aesolam George Apps

George Lewry

- Ernest Attwater ... ... 5

Frank Attwater ... ... 7 George Woods ... ...Tenor Conducted by Ernest Atwater.

* First peal as conductor. Messrs. Apps, Woods and the brothers Attwater hail from Cuckfield, the rest belong to the local band.


## NEIVCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

THE DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (The Cathedral Guild.)
On Wedneslay, January 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes, At St. Nicholas Cathedral,

## a PEAL OF FORWARD MAJOR, 5024 Changes;

Tenor 37 粼 cwt .

William V. Sinclair William Story ... ...Treble Alfred F. Hillier Ernest E. Ferry | $\cdots \cdots$ | 2 | J |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots \cdots$ | 3 | R |
| $\cdots$ | 4 |  | Joseph E. R. Kern benjamin C. Dixon ...

Compos William H. Barber $\begin{array}{ll}\ldots & 5 \\ \ldots . & 6 \\ \ldots & 7\end{array}$ Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by William H. Barber
First in the method on the bells and by all the band except the ringers of the 3 rd, 6 th and 7 th. This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. William Story. It was arranged to ring Erin Caters, but meeting short, the above was rung instead.

## LONDON.

THIE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Junuary 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-ight Minutes, At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road, S.E.
A PEAL OF dOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;
Tenor 20 cwt .

Arthur N. Hardy Harold Burton... Wileiam Hewett Edimin F. Pike ...

| $\ldots .$. Treble | J. ARMIGER TroLiope | ... | 5 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots . .2$ | Frank Hairs | ... | .. | .. |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |

. 3 Alfred W. Grimes ${ }^{\prime}$... $\quad . .7$ Composed by G. Lindorf, and
Conducted by James E. Davis.
Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Armiger Trollope.


LONG STANTON.
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Thursday, January 16, 1913, in Ttio Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A Peal of stedman triples, 5040 chances ;
Thurstans' Fodr-Part.
Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr.
Rev. E. Bankes James...Tieble William D. James... ... 2 Rev. A. H. F. Boughey 3 -Frederick Barker... ... 4 Conducted by William D. James.

* First peal of Stedman.


## SOUTHGATE, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, Jamary 16, 1913. in There Hours and Thirteen Minutes, at Christ Churgh,

## a PEAL OF Stedman triples, 5040 chances;

Heywood's Variation of Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 25 cwt., in D.
Norman A. Tomlinson ...Treble Ernest Brett ... ... ... $5^{5}$ Miss Edith K. Parker ... 2 John E. Miller ... ... 6 Herbert Armstrong... ... 3 John Armstrong ... ... 7 John W. Cornford ..... .4 4 Alfred G. Crane ... ... Tenor Conducted by Johs Armstrong.
The company wish to thank Miss Parker for taking part in the peal at short notice and so preventing a disappointment.

## hulme, Lancashire.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Tharsday, January 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Phillip,
A PEAL OF Stedman triples, 5040 Chances;
Thcrstans' Four-Part.
 Richard Newton $\ldots$.... .4 Harry Chapman ... ...Tenor

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor.

LEAMINGTON, WARWICTSHIRE. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Thirsday, January 16, 191.3, in Thre Hours and Tuenty Minutes,
At the Parish Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES;


WOODIBRIDGE, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thursdur, Jonuary 16, 1913, in Three Hours, at the Church of St. Mary,

## a Peal of stedman triples, 5040 changes;

## Thurstans' Four-Part. <br> Tenor 28 cwt.

Harry liarton ...
William Motts... ... ... 2 William H. Baldry
… 5
George E. Symonds $\quad . . .3$ James Motts 3 ......$\quad$... 7 Robert H. Hayward … 4 Charles Cuting... Conducted by James Motis.
This peal was arranged and rung previous to the members attending a quarterly meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Association at Ufford. The brothers James and William Motts hail from Ipswich, R. H. Hayward from Marlesford, H. Barton from Southwold, E. Symonds from Framlingham, W. J. Nevard from Great Bentley, Essex, and W. H. Baldry from Hazelwood, while C. Cutting belongs to Woorlbridge.

HORNCHULiCH, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thurslay, Jonury 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,

## a peal of crandsire triples, 5040 Ghanges;

Holt's Ten-Part.
William A. Pye ... ...Treblc
John Dale... ......
*Edward H. Hawkins ... 3
*Ernest J. Butler ... ... 4

Tenor rid $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
George R. Pye ... ... 5
George R. Pye ... ... 5
Alfied Pye...
Charles Barlow ... ...Tenoy Alfred Pye.

* First peal of Grandsire Triples.

WHITWORTH, LANCASHIRE
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.
On Saturday, Jauary 78. 191.3, in Three Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Bartholomew,

## A PEAL OF KENT treble bob Major, 6048 Charges ;

Herbert Stansfield... ...Treble George Garnett ... ... 5

| Thomas Jakeman... | .. | ... | 2 | Benjamin Gill |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Chas. | ... | ... | 6 |  |

Chas. Bower ... ... ... 3 Samuel Booth ... ... 7

Composed by Samuer Woods, and
Conducted by Samuel Booth.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Benjamin Gill.

## GREAT BENTLEY, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Janury 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6040 CHAMGES;

Tenor 8 cwt.
†George A. Andrews
*Harry Cowell
..Treble † Percy Almend. $\dagger$ Alfred Andreivs

- Ernest Eady ... … ... ... Composed by B. Annable, and
Conducted by William J. Nevard
* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal in the methocl, also the first peal in the method on the bells, and rung at the first attempt. $\ddagger$ First attempt as conductor on eight bells.

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, January 18, 1913, in Thrce Hours and One Minute.
At the Church of All Saints,
a PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Oswald J. Hunt
Joseph H. White
...Treble Charles Freeman...

| $\ldots .$. | Charles Freeman | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\cdots \cdots$ | 2 | Wiliam T. Cox | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 6 |
| $\cdots$ | 3 | Walter Malins | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 7 |


Composed by C. H. Hattersley, and.
Conducted by Wiliam H. Bronsdon.
First peal in the method as conductor.

## GODALMING, SURREY

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Suturday, January 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Holt's Original.
${ }^{*}$ Victor H. Smith ... ...Treble
*William Moorey ... ... 2
Charles Hazelden ... 3
William Hooker ..... .54 •Robert Pamment ... ...T.Tenor

## Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.

* First peal. The treble, 2nd, $4^{\text {th }}$ and tenor ringers belong to the local company. It is 15 years since W. Hooker rang his last peal.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE. THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, January 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,
a PEAL OF Stedman triples, 5040 Changes;
Thurstans' Four-Part. William T. Tucker... ...Tyeble Henry W. Wilkes John S. Rumming ... 2
 Conducted by George Williams.
lRung after meeting short for Double Norwich.

## MIDDLEHAM

THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Satwday, Janary 18, 191. in Three Hours and Twenty-aight Minutes, At the Church of St. Alkeld,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAHCEE;

Tenor 18 cwt.
*Sguire Croft James Baxter Dr. Henry C. Pauli ...Treble ... $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { Pauli } & . . & 3\end{array}$

Tenor 9 cwt . o qr. 26 lbs.
William H. George ... 5 Chirles J. Fray ... ... 6
$r$

## SUDBURY, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (Sudbury Branch.)
On Saturday, Junuary 18, 1913, in Three Hours and $T_{\text {i.ity-eight Minutes, }}$ At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL DF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES: Holt's Ten-Part.
Sidney J. Howell ...Treble * Walt

William Heard ... ... 2 .Charles W Lee George Tatum ... ... 3 †Charles W. F. Clarke... 7 *Alfred Perry ... ... ... 4 -William C. B. Cross ... Tenoy Conducted by Sidney J. Howell.
*First peal. † First peal of Grandsire. First peal as conductor. Messrs. W. Gooday and C. W. Lee were elected members previous to starting

## EPSOM, SURREY

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, January 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Tenor Is c.vt,
Challis F. Winney ... ...Treble Johy Wyatt ... ... ... 5
John Hoyle ... ... ... ... 2
Edward F. Grove ... ... 3 Alfred B Peck
William H. Corbett... ... 4 Conducted by A. B. Гeck.
This is believed to be the first peal of Stedman on the bells.

## MIDSOMER NORTON

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, January 18, 191.3, in Two How's and Fifty-uight Minutes At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAHGES I
Holt's Ten-Part.
Walter Farley ... ...Treble
Isaac B. Holmyard ... 2
Gilbert H. Harding ... 3
*Frederick Speed ... ...
Conducted by
with a bob bell.

## SIX \& FIVE BELL PEALS.

WARBLETON, SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, December 21, 1912, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being $4^{2}$ six-scores.
George Barrow ... ...Treble
John Brett … ... .... 2 Gilbert Brett ... ... 5
George Barrow, Junt. ... 3 Edgar Jarvis ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Gilbert Brett. Condu

BROMFIELD, SHROPSHIRE.
THE IIEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Monday, Junuary 1.i, 1913, in Two Howrs and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHARCES ;

Being 42 Six-Scores. Tenor 9 cut.
*Arthor Nason ... ... ...Treble | $\ddagger$ George D. Acton ... ... + George Acton ... ... ... 2 W Villiam Short... †William F. Peachey ... 3 William R. Nash ... ...Tenov Conducted by William Short.

* First peal away from tenor. † First peal. $\ddagger$ First peal with a bob bell. This peal was specially rung as a farewell to Messrs. G. and G. D. Acton, who are shortly leaving for Canada, their brother ringers wishing them every success and happiness in their new work and surroundings. It was also rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Francis S. Wilson, of Ludlow, in honour of the roth anniversary of their wedding. All the ringers hail from Ludlow, with the exception of Wm. Short.


## NEWICK, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednestay, Jantary 15, 19 3, in Two Hours and Fiffy Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven $720^{\prime}$ s, each called differently. Tenor 5 cwt., in C. - George Richardson ...Treble John Feist ... ... ... + Ernest E. Bish ... ... 2 Alfred J. Turner... ... 5 George H. Sturt ... ... 3 Albert E. Edwards ...Tenor

Conducted by Albert E. Edivards.

* First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells, which are the lightest ring in Sussex, and were augmented to a peal of six in 1867.


## LIVERPOOL.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On IFcdnesday, Junuary 15, 1913, in Tzo Hours and Thirty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Alary, Grassendale, A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being 720 each of Beverley and Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor if cirt.
 George R. Newton... ... 3 John Allen ... ... ... Temor Conducted by Giforge R. Newton.
*First peal on six bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to J . Turner.

## MALDEN, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
(Malden and District Guild.)
On Saturday, January 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB findor, 5040 Changes;

Being 720 each of London Scholars' Ileasure, College Exercise, Cambridge Surprise, New London Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and and Oxford. Tenor 13 cwt .
Ebenezer W. Finch... ...Treble Frederick White Alfred South
Harold Finch Fred Chalk
$\qquad$ Harold Finch Conducted by Horace J. Mansfield

## LAMBERHURST, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, January 18, 1913, in Tino Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Сhurch cf St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES :

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single, two 720's of Plain Bob, and one of Canterbury Pleasure. John Bailey
..Treble Harry Price George Fuller... 2 Andreiv Marshall.. Albert Henley Ediwin Lambert $\cdots{ }^{5}$ Conducted by Edwin Lambert.

## WILTON, TAUNTON

THE BATH AND wells diocesan association
On Saturday, January 18, 191 in Two Hours and Fifty-teo Mintes,
At the Church of St. George,
A PEAL OF bOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's.
 Tom W. Crebd Conducted by Isaac Creed.
*First peal of Minor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss A. Creed and Miss W. Osmond, the daughter and niece respectively of the conductor, on their coming of age ; also to Master Lilley, son of Mr. C. R. Lilley. The band wish, through " The Ringing World,' to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells, Mr. Mockridge for getting permission, and Mr. Wright for having everything ready.

## ROYSTON, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Royston Society.)
On Suturday, January 18, 1913, in Tuo Hours and Forty-three Minures,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 Chances ;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Fient and Oxford Treble Isob, College Single and Plain Bob. Tenoris cwt., in F flat.
 William L. Darlow $\ldots$... 3 Robert G. King

Conducted by Ernest Bonnett.

* First peal and first attempt. Quickest peal on the bells. This peal was rung in honour of the wedding of Miss F. L. Fordham, of Royston, and Mr. H. Hunt, of Farnborough. It was also a birthday compliment to W. L. Darlow.


## BENTLEY, HANTS

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Suturday, January 18, 1913, in 'Jhee Hours and Five Minutes,
at the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 of Double Oxford, College Single, Canterbury, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lbs., in E .
Charles Edwards ... ...Treble Hubert Chaffey
*Pte. J. Hall ... ...

- Alfred Croucher ... ... 3 -Thomas Upshall ... ... Tenor Conducted by Charles Edwards.
* First peal in seven methods. Rung as a farewell to Pte. J. Hall ${ }_{\text {r }}$ who, to the regret of all, is leaving with his regiment (2nd Suflolk), for Egypt on the 23rd inst.


## SHARNFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, January 18, 1913, in Tizo Hours and Forty-cight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Helen,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES

Being 720 each of Double Bob, St. Clement's, Double Court, SingleCourt, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

Henry Ison... ... ... ...Trible Walter J. Horton ... 4 | Edgar Vallance | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 2 | E. Harry Stoneley |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ihomas H. Vallance | $\ldots$ | 3 | Geoffrey J. Stoneley ...Tenor |  | Conducted by E. Harry Stoneley

The ringer of the treble was made a member in the tower, and this, was his first peal.

THURMASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE
THE MLDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday', Jenuary 18, 191.3. in Turo Howr and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.
a Peal of minor, 5040 ghances:
Being 720 each Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble 13ob, Double Court, College Single, Grandsire, Oxford Bob, Flain Bob. Penor $10 \mathrm{cwt}$.2 qr . I lb.
 Conducted by Ernest Morris

* First peal in seven methods. First peal in seven methods on the bells. First peal on the bells by this Association.

KINGSTHORPE, NORTHAMPTON
THE CENTRAD, NORTHAMPTONSHHRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, January 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Jeing seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 15 cwt .
Thomas Law ... ... ...Tyeble|†William J. Allen ... ... 4 . *John Dunkley ......$\quad$... 2 George Parker $\quad . . . \quad$... 5 Harry Clarke ......$\quad$... 3 | Fred Hopper ... ... ... Temor Conducted by Fred Hopper.
*First peal. + First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells, and the conductor's fiftueth peal for the above Association.

## BROMHAM, BEDS

TIIE BEDFORDSHIRE: ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Jamuary, 18, 1913, in Three Fours and Tienty Minutes, At the Church of St. Owen,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Single Oxford, Plain Bob, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Herbert L. Harlow
Miss Evelyn Steel

...Treble John W. Barker

R ... ... 4 Conducted by John W. Barker.

## WARKTON, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTIIAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, January 18, 1913, in Two Hour's and Fify-five Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being six Six-Scores each of Stedman's Slow Course, St. Simon's Chase, Canterbury, Old Double, Plain Bob, and Grandsire.

Tenor $9 \neq \mathrm{cwt}$
Horace Patrick... ... ... 1 reble ! Robert Black ... ... ... 3 Matthias Hobbs ... ... 2 Edgar Read ... ... ... 4 Charles Cooper

> Edgar Read ......$T e n o r$

Conducted by Matthias Hobbs.
This is the first peal of Doubles in seven methods by all except the conductor

## BEACHAMPTON

THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, January 18, 1913, in Turo Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL of gRandsire and antelope deubles, 5040 changes Tenor 8 cwt . O qr .27 lbs

Percy Grant ... ... ...Tyeble Harry Ridgway ... ... 3 Ephraim Wyatt ... ... 2 Percy Warner ... ... 4 Leonitrd Smith ... ... ... ... Tenoy Conducted by Ephraim Wyatt.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Percy Grant on his 2Ist birthday. The band wish to thank the Rector for the use of the bells and for his kindness in providing tea.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, Innuary 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At George IV., Brunswick Street, Haggerston,

## A PEAL OF Stedman Caters, 5043 chances ;

Rev. A. H. F. loughey i-2 | Bertram Prewett

Composed by J. Carter, and
Conducted by George R. Pye. Umpire: IV. Hewitt.

GUILDFORD, SURREY
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wednesday, Junuary 15, 1913, in Tioo Hours and Twonty-fïe Minutes,
In the Belfry of Holy Trinity Church,
A PEAL OF bOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;

| Sebtimus Radford | $\ldots$ | i-2 | Willougiby E. Madlden | $5-6$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alfred H. Pulling | $\ldots$ | $3-4$ | Frank Blondell | ... | Composed by F. Bennett, and Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.

This peal was arranged and rung in honour of the roth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Wilson, of Ludlow. Mr. Wilson is a life ringing member of the Winchester Guild, and a great iniend of the Guildford handbell ringers.

## GESTINGTHORPE, ESSEX <br> THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, January 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Twelve Minhtes, At the Residence of Olave Broyd,

## A PEAL OF EOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;

Being seren 720 's each called differently.
George Pannell ... ... i-2 | Albert Catterwell ... 3-4
Olaye Broyd ... ... ... j-6
Conducterl by Olave Broyd.
Umpire: Harry W. Catterwell.
First double-handed peal by all, and rung at first attempt.

## LONDON.

the ancient society of college youths.
On Sunday, January 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Twienty-eight Minutes,
At George IV., Bronswick Street, Haggerston,
a PEAL OF Stedman triples, 5010 Changes;
Thurstans' Four-Part.

| Herbert Langnon | $\ldots$ | i-2 | Frederick J. Hardy | .. | $5-6$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Challis F. Winney | $\ldots$ | -4 | Alfred W. Grimes | $\ldots$ | $7-8$ |

Conducted by C. F. Winney.
Umpire: Walter S. Wise.
The conductor of the peal at Charing, on Jan. Inth, was C. L. Prior

## CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Northampton district was held at Weston Favel on Saturday week, about 20 members being present from Boughton, Kingsthorpe, Northampton. Easton Maudit, Flore, and the local tower--Tea was provided at the Trumpet Imm, and was followed by the business mecting, at which the Rev. E. H. Terry (Rector of Weston) presided.-It was resolved to hold a special meeting at Easton Maudit, in April; Guilsborough, in June; and the next quarterly meeting at Brixworth, in July.-Sceral new members were elected, including the Rev. E. H. Terry as an hon. member.
A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for the use of the bells, and to the local ringers for the arrangement of the meeting.Plain Bob, Grandsire, Stedman and St. Simon's Doubles were rung during the afternoon and evening.

## THRAPSTON DISTRICT

A quarteriy meeting of the Thrapston district was held at Lowick on Saturday last. Touches of Treble Bob, Double Oxforid, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, Stedman and Grandsire Doubles "tie rung during the afternoon and evening and about 40 sat down to tea from Raunds, Thrapston, Addington, Twywell, Woodford, Islip, Denford, Irthlingborough and Lowick.
A short business meeting was held, presided over by the President the Rer. St. George Coldwelli, Rector of Islip, supported by the general eecretary (Mr. F. Wilford), and the district scceretary (Mr. F. Stubbs).It was decided to hold the next mecting at Raunds.-Several new members were elected. The President made a feeling reference to the death of Mr. Bert Perrett, of Woodford. and a collection, amounting to 15 s . 2d.. was traken for the widow.-It was also resolved that the general secretary be asked to bring the matter before the next two meetings, which are to take place at Isham and Irthlingborough.-A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector for the use of the hells, and to those who had made the necessary arrangements.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Gainsborough district was held at Gainshorough on Saturday, but was poorly attended, only four visitore, three from Scunthorpe and one from West Stockwith, putting in an appearance, in addition to the local company. However, various touches were brought round during the afternoon and evening, in the following methods: Kent Treble Bob Minor, Grandsire Triples, Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Major. Shortened evensong was held in the Rarish Church, and an address given by the Rev. A. C. P. Burles.-Tea was provided at the Coffee Tavern, and followed by the business meeting. at which Mr. J. C. Tinker presided. The whole of the district officers were re-elected, and the following places selected for the district meetings for the ensuing year: March, Owston Ferry; May, Stow: July, Brigg: September, Kirton Lindsey; November, May, Stow: July, Brigg: Septcmber, Kirton Lindsey; Novembor,
Upton; January, 1914 (Annual), Gainsborough.-A hearty welcome was given to the Scunthorpe isitors and duly acknowledged. - Votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, the Rer. A. C. P. Burles, Mr. Montgomery (organist), and the choir boys for assisting at the service, and Mr. J. C. Tinker for presiding at the meeting.

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## THE NEW MASTER OF THE CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

The change in the mastership of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths has brought into the office a ringer whose name hats for many years been well-known in the Exercise-Mr James Parker, of Edmonton. Those who remember the performances of the band at Crawley twenty and more years ago will recollect him as the moving spirit in the tower of the little Sussex town and as the conductor of Surprise methods, at a time few local bands were ringing peals of this intricate character, he had fow equals. With equal enthusiasm he has since been largely responsible for the success of the Edmonton


Mr. James Parker.
Band, and now that he has been elected to the chair of the Cumberland Youths we may look for further efforts in re-cstablishing this ancient society in its former high position.

Mr. James Parker was born at Pulborough, Sussex, in 1866, and learned to ring on the six bells at Charlwood under the late Mr. F. Wickens at the age of 15 . Afterwards he went to the village of Storrington, where he taught a "stoney" band to ring Doubles on the five bells there. In sigo he removed to Crawley. There was no ringing there at that time, but he formed a local band, and, after a few practices, he rang his first peal (Kent Treble Bob Major) at Varnham. This was followed a lew months later by so, ry 6 in the same method at the same church. He then started in earnest with the Crawley band, and within four years they rang peals from Crandsire Triples to London Surprise, and in $189+$ rang
the then record peal of Superlative (9312 changes) which Mr. Parker conducted, as he had done most of the peals in the Crawley tower. During these years the local band rang Stedman, Double Norwich, Alliance, Superlative, Cambridge, New Cambridge, New Cumberland and London Surprise. At that time there were not more than five bands in the country who could ring all these methods.

Moving to London in $1896, \mathrm{Mr}$. Parker found that Surprise men were by no means easy to get together, and there were several years in which very little ringing was done. After settling at Edmonton, however, a band was at last got together which could ring Superlative, since which time the company has never looked back, and they are now capable of ringing any Surprise method and ringing it well. In the last 13 attempts for London Surprise not one peal has been lost, and in the year 1912 only every peal in a Surprise method attempted was brought round with one exception.

Although fond of peal ringing, Mr. Parker's main object has always been to get peals rung by local bands, or by those who ring for the services on Sundays. Particularly is this the case with new methods, and all his first peals in Surprise methods have been rung in this way. He considers-and many ringers will agree with him-that a peal of Grandsire Triples by a local band is worth more than all the peals of London by a mixed band of experts.

Mr. Parker is a conductor of great ability, and, while some may think him somewhat stern in his manner when ringing, there can be no question that implicit obedience to the conductor is the key-note of success in peals. Those who do not realise this when ringing with Mr. Parker sometimes hear "something to their advantage" afterwards. Of nothing in regard to ringing is Mr. Parker prouder than the success of his talented daughter, who has unquestionably inherited some of her father's skill as a method ringer.

In addition to his connection with the Cumberland Youths Mr. Parker is a member of the following societies: Sussex Association, Winchester Guild, Salisbury Guild, Middlesex Association, Hertfordshire Association, Lincolnshire Guild, Midland Counties Association and St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham. He has rung 290 peals, on tower and handbells, and these have been spread over 75 churches in $I_{5}$ counties. Appended is the list:-

Tower Bells. Handhells.
Rung. Con.
Seven Minor Triples
Grandsir Tiples
................... 7
Plain Bob Triples ................... I
Court Bob Triples .................. 2
Oxford Bob Triples .................. I
Canterbury Pleasure Triples ...... I
Stedman 'Triples ......................... 38
Bob Major ........................... 2
Double Norwich Court Bob Major 28
Dlliance Major
Kent Treble Bob Major (including 10, 176 ) ............................. If
Oxford Treble Bob Major............ I
Superlative Surprise Major (including 93I2) ....................... II5
Cambridge Surprise Major .....
New Cambridge Surprise Major... $\stackrel{3}{8}$
New Cumberland Surprise Major
Gloucester Surprise Major

5

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| Bristol Surprise Major | 5 | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| London Surprise Major | 35 | 21 |
| Cumberland Delight | I |  |
| Grandsire Caters |  |  |
| Stedman Caters | 2 |  |
| Fiorward Royal | I |  |
| Kent Treble Bob Royal | 4 | 3 |
| Stedman Cinques | 2 |  |
| Kent Treble Bob Maximus | 2 | 1 |
| Total |  | 164 |

Owing to the pressure on our space this week several reports have had, unavoidably, to be held over, including the Romney Marsh Guild's annual meeting and the Fressingham Anniversary.

The peal of eight bells (tenor 16 cwt.) of the church of SS. Peter and Paul, Eckington, near Sheffield, having got into an unringable condition, are to be retuned and rehung in a new stcel frame, with all the most modern fittings. The work has been entrusted to Messrs. John Warner and Sons, of the Spitalfields Bell Foundry, London.

Congratulations to the Bristol men on their peal of Cambridge Maximus on the magnificent bells of St. Mary Redcliffe. They are, we believe, only the third company to ring a peal in this complex method. Ipswich and the College louths are the other bands who can claim success up to the present, although we may hear of others cre long, for at least two other bands are in practice.

We have received a letter from " A Sympathiser" calling into question the peal of Bob Minor rung at St. Nicholas, Wallases. He says " Great credit is due to the lads who took part in the performance for having made such progress under Mr. G. R. Newton's guidance, with assistance from many others, including Mr. Wilcox." He adds, however, that "Mr. Wilcox has condemned it as not being a true peal." Apparently there has been some correspondence with the conductor on the subject, but as our correspondent does not wish his name published, and as portions of one letter only are sent, we refrain from inserting them. If we are enabled to give both sides we shall, as always, be pleased to insert the correspondence.

## ROBINSON MEMORIAL SCREEN DEDICATION.

The dedication of the screen at St. Peter's Church, Drayton, to the memory of the late Rev. F. E. Robinson will take place (D.v.) on Saturday, February 8th (instead of February ist, as previously announced). The ceremony will be nerformed by the Ven. W. M. G. Ducat, Archdeacon of Berkshire, at 4 p.m. Wrill all those interested kindly take this as an invitation to be present. Clergy are requested to bring their robes.

The bells will be available for ringing between 2 and 4 , and possibly later in the evening. Tea will be provided, after the service, free for all those who send me their names by Wednesday, February 5th.

Drayton is two miles from Abingdon Station, and the same distance from Sterenton.-Cyril IV. O. Jenkyn, Broadlands, Caversham.

## THE BRISTOL SURPRISE RECORD. To the Editor.

Sir,-I see in your last issue, Mr. Winney makes a very unfavourable "dig" at the above record, which is very misleading, and may lead some people to believe that the peal was not rung in the manner it should have been. I wish to inform Mr. Wimey that the band who took part in it met together last Saturday, and were by no means pleased with his remarks, and I am requested to ask Mr. Winney what explanation is forthcoming. At present I ask him one question only, and providing a satisfactory reply is for theoming, the matter will drop, but failing this I shall put one or two questions to him that he may experience some difficulty Hi f.nswering, but will be compelled to do so in his own defence. The question I ask him is: Did he, while outside Hornchurch tower, hear anything that he would term a muddle?Yours truls,
W. PYE.

Sir,-I sec in your last issue a letter from Mr. C. F. Winney, which I think calls for reply. First as to the question of adrertisement. I can assure Mr. Winney that I did not ring 114 peals in one year for that purpose. I simply ring peals for pleasure, which, I bolieve, most ringers do, but I think if I wanted to "advertise," I could do it in a different way to that. I do not get my living out of ringing, but I know several who make a big meal out of it. As regards his next statement, I have not much to $6 a y$, as I believe the writer of the letter cloes exactly what I have done, viz., take part in peals to oblige others. We cannot all arrange peals; if we did we shotikl not be able to get bands to meet us. The third matter, however, is the most important. Now I am not going round the comers after Mr. Wimey, or any of his clients, who have backed him up in this. The first question I ask Mr. Wimney is, did he hear anything approaching a " muddle" in the long peal of Bristal rung at Hornchurch: Of course, I know what he was there for, and he had a perfect right to be there, as he rang the treble to the previcus record. But they should send a man who knows the method so that he can take off the peal in a proper manner. There were ringers there, who heard all the peal, far more adranced in the method than Mr. Wrinney, and who can strike a bell equal to him or anyone floe. and they never heard anything approaching a "cmuddle." If Mr. Wimey wants my opinion of what a muddle is, I can coon tell him. If he just looks back to a few peals which have been published in "The Ringing World," I can tell him that they were not rung without a, muddle. He should practice these things before he preachês. I should have very much liked to have seen another signature to Mr. Winney's letter, because I know who has put him up to this. Why does he not try and get another band together and beat the 15,264 like we did the Knebworth peal, only ring the next one on come metal. Then, if possible, we will come and hear it.-Yours, ctc.,

Haggerston.
A. W. GRIMES.

## AUTHORSHIP CLAIMS.

## To the Editor.

Dear sir,-My. Inattersley, in his letter, says that the first and second peals of New Cambridge Royal, published in their first letter, are not the same, and likewise the third and fourth peals. Therefore, if No. 1 is not the same as No. 2. it ie alasurd to say that it is the same as their 6048 Superlative Surprise Major. The same can be sadd of the third and fourth peals.

A littll further on he asks whether I copicd or reproduced his figures.
His " mind you, when he admits that twelve of the fourteen courses that I used were as much minc as his. Then take away the coursethat contains the key of the whole situation, which does not appear in his peal.

No. I no more reproduced Mr. Hattersley's peal than he reproduced J. Reeves', when he composed that peal of Treble Box Maximus I had the pleasure of ringing in Sheffield some years ago. Are we to take it that the three gentlemen who have taken up this matter have one code of morals for themselves, and a sccond code for other prople? Yours faithfully,
G. LINDOFF.

Dublin, January 14th.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

The last quarterly meeting of the Society's year was held at Perry Barr, on Saturday, when a fair number of mombers were present from Birmingham, Coseley, Lichfiek, Perry Barr, lashall, Smethwick, Lipton, Walsali, Wrdnesbury, West Bromwich, Vordsley, Wolverhampton, and Wood Green.

During the afternoon, the bells were kept going in various methods, and at the monmittas meeting four new memicers were corolled.-A short service was held in church, when the Vicar crave a helpful address. The Rer. F. V. Cox assisted by reabling the lesson.-A sulsstantial tea was provided in Christ Church Schools, after which a vote of thanks to the Vicar (proposerl by lie Rev. F. V. Cox, and seconcled bs Mr. W. R. Small) for the uer of the bells and room, as well as for hik kindly adklress, also to the Rev. - Knight for presiding at the organ, was accorded.-The Vicar, in reply, expressed the pleasure it gave him to welcome those present, and the hope that he woukl meet all again ere long.

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hospitable welcome for preston branch.
The quarterly meeting of the Preston Branch was held at Penworthain on Saturday last, and was excellently attended. The belis were well utilised in a variety of methods during the afternoon. Following their usual custom, the cver-hospitable Vicar and his wife had invited all who attended to tea, and a company of 38 were present in the West End School. Full justice was done to the good things provided, and afterwards the Rev. Burton made a racy speech, in which he complimented the Preston brauch on making such a good muster on a wet day. Referring to the recent Bi-centenary celebrations, he said it was surprising what an interest it had awakened in their parish in regard to its church bells. He mentioned the fact that they now had an cuthusiastic band of learners, and, lisiting the tower on a recent Sunday, he found there were more men than ropes. He had seen some of these ardent recruits jotting figures down in pocket books in all sorts of places, and he hoped they would keep it up. Finally, he gave one and all a hearty welcome, and said what a pleasure it was to himself and Mrs. Burton to see them all on thesc occasions.-A vote of thanks to the Vicar and Mrs. Burton was proposed by Mr. J. Miller, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, and was carried with acclamation. - At the business meeting, Coppull (a new ring of six by Messrs. Taylor) and Whittle-le-Woods were decided on as the next meetingplaces. One new member was elected, and the meeting closed with the best thanks of the meeting to the authorities and local ringer's for the use of the bells. Ringing was afterwards indulged in during the evening. The towers represented were: Chorley, Brindle, Preston Parish, Goosnargh, Eecleston, Leyland St. James', Samlesbury, and the iocal men.

## MANCHESTER BRANCH.

A very well-attended meeting of the above branch was held at Manchester Cathedral on Saturday last, members boing present from Manchester, Ashton-under-Lyne, Eccles, Worsley, Pendleton, Stockport, Hyde, Reddish, Birch, Prestwich, Miles Platting. New Mills, Darley Dale, etc.-Mr. J. Barratt took the chair, and gave a hearty welcome to all present.-Mr. Higginbottom, warden at the Cathedral, honoured the meeting with his presence.-Three members of the Manchester police force were elected members, viz.: J. Wilson, W. Spicer, J. Turner.-A hearty vote of thanks was given to the authorities for the use of the bells, and to the local ringers.-The following methods were rung during the day: Grandsire, Stedman, Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative.

## WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. COMBINED PRACTICES SUGGESTED.

The first quarterly meeting for the year in connection with the Vorthern Branch of the Worcestershire and Districts Association was weld at Oldbury on Saturday. The attendance was not so large as expected, but it was full of enthusiasm, and the members were very pleased to see amongst them once again, after his long and severe illness, Mr. William Painter. The following towers were represented: Oldswinford, Stourbridge, Rowley, Smethwick, Nethcrton, Clent, Wollaston, Kidderminster, Northfield. Edgbaston, Birmingham, Old Hill, Halesowen, Wordsley, King's Norton, Oldbury and Selly Oak.-At the service, the Vicar (the Rev. P. H. Birley) officiated, and delivered a very instructive and practical address.-Mr. Johnson, of Old Hill, presided at the organ, and his services were much appreciated.
In the absence of the Vicar, who was unable to be prescut, the business meetmg was presided over by Mr. H. Mason. Bromsgrove was selected for the next quarterly meeting, and Oldbury for the quarterly peal attempt. Four new performing members were elcctel.--Mr. I. Smith, of Kidderminster, suggested that it would be a great advantage to the Association, if it could be arranged to have two or three ringing practices during the year, and it was resolved to bring the matter before the annual meeting at Stourbridge on Easter Monday.-A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for arranging the service, and for the use of the bells, and to Mr. II. Mason for presiding.
A return to the tower was afterwards made, and the bells were kept going in various methods, including attempts in London and Bristol Surprise Major.

## ST. PETER MANCROFT GUIID.

At the sixth annual meeting of the St. Peter Mancroft Guild, Norwich, the Vicar (the Rev. F. J. Meyrick) presided, and the hon. secretary, in his report, referred to the continuity throughout the year of the splendid work of regularly ringing whe bells for Sunday services, including the carly mornings on all festival occasions. At present there were fourteen performing members on the hooks, and as this was somewhat below the average, the Guild had taken in hand six recruits, who were making good progress.-The Troasurer (Mr. D. O. Holme) submitted the balance sheet. which showed a balance of $£ 610 \mathrm{~s}$. on the right side. This balance was earmarked for renovating peal boards, some of which are amongst the oldest in existence
Mr. H. J. Borrett was elected Master; Mr. F. II. Phillips, hon. secretary; and Mr. D. O. Holme, treasurer.

At the close of the business, the Chairman thanked the members for all the ringing they had done during the year. It gave him great satisfaction to know that the bells would be rung on any special oceasion he might ask for.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

ROBINSON MEMORIAL AT CHRIST CHURCFI CATHEDRAL
Successful and well-attended the annual meeting of the Sonning Dennery Branch of the Oxford'Guild was held at St. Paul's, Wokingham, on Saturday. At evensong, the Rev. H. C. Wilder, Rector of Sulham, preached from St. Matthew r, verse 16, an appropriate sermon to the large congregation of ringers. After high tea, held in tho Parish Room, the Master of the Guild, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, in the unavoidable absence of the branch chairman, the Rev. 1R. Il. Hart-Davis, who is recovering from illness, presided over the ammal business meeting. The general secretary of the Diocesan Guild, Mr. A. E. Reeves, the Rev. E. E. Broome, hon. secretary of the branch, and several other clergy, were also present.
The Hon. Secretary reported a balance in hand of some £5. The membership stood at 113 change lingers, 10 life subseribers and 16 probationers, with five life members and 30 honorary members, an increase of six on last year. Ten peals were reported as having been rung during the year, while "combined practices" - a great help to the members-had numbered twelve.
The report and balance sheet were adopted, and a vote of sympathy with the Rev. I. H. Davis was nnanimously carried.- The chairman and hon. secretary were unanimously re-elected, as were the usual committees.

Mr. Reeves gare some interesting details of the Guild report for the past year. Three new towers-Simpson, Beechampton and Shinfieldhad been admitted, while one, Wood Eaton, had dropped out. One hundred and twonty peals had been rung during the year, fifteen of them in the Surprise methods, which showed advanocment all round the Guild.
The Chairman then announced that the memorial screen to the nemory of their late Guild Master, the Rev. Francis Edward Robinson, had been completed at Drayton Church, and that the dedication coremony was fixed for Feb. 8th. Archdeacon Ducat (of Berks) had consented to perform the ceremony, and to preach. A tablet to their late Master's memory had in the last week been affised in the cloisters at Christchurch (Oxford), recording that it was "erected in the memory of Francis Edward Robinson, some time Vicar of Drayton, and Master of the Diocesan Guild of Bell Ringers.
Soming hat re-hung their peal of eight bells, while Twyford expected by Easter to have a peal of eight.
The Rer. B. Long, Rector of All Saints', Wokingham, gave a cordial wolcome to the Guild in advance for the July meeting. - Votes of thanks to the Rector of St. Paul's, the Rev. H. M. Walter, who was represented by the Rev. S. J. Kichards, and to the organist, workers and ladies of St. Pauls for their kinclness, concluded a very successful meeting.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Northern District was held on Saturday last. The tower of St. Mary's, Islington, was open in the afternoon and evening, and some good touches in various methods were rung.
The business meeting was held at "The Olde King's Head," and was very well attended. Mr. A. Barker was again chosen to fulfil the duties of Master for the present year; and Messrs. Cornford, Walker and Porter were appointed to the offices of socretary, treasurer and steward respectively. The progress of the district for the past year has been very encouraging. both as to finance and membership; but it is hoped this yoar to io decidedly better. A very mleasant time was spent at the close of the mecting, enlivened by handbells, songs and recitations.

The annual meeting of the Southern District took place at St. ieorge's, Southwark, on Saturday last. There was some good ringing in various Standard methods, and many notable ringing members were present. The business meeting was hell at the Southwark Tavern, the Master, Mr. II. S. Fllis, presiding.-It was decided to hold the next meeting on April 19th, at Battersea, or, failing that, Hammersmith. New members were elected, and the balar.ce sheet adopted. There was contest for the office of Master between Mr. E. A. Reeves and Mr. II.
Ellis, the latter being re-elected The secretary, Mr. F. A. Smith, and the treasurer, Mr. H. Mance, wero unanimously re-elected. There was also a contest for the stewardship, and Mr. C. H. Hughes was re-elected--A pleasant evening was afterviards spent with touches on the e.ected-A plea

## OLD KEIGHLEY RINGER'S DEATH.

A well-known Keighley ringer of former years has passed away, in the person of Mr. Asa Smith. The deceased was a ringer at the Parish Church for upwards of 30 years, althongh he had not taken an active part for the last twelve years. There were present at the funeral, in addition to members of the family, representatives of the Engineers' Society and other bodins in the town, as well as a number of ringers. At the conclusion of the service, a course of Grandsire Triples was rung at the graveside on handbells, by:J. Edmondson, R. W. Jennison, S. Bateman and $T$. Bancroft. Th3 effect was solemn, and at the same time pathetic and sweet. On Sunday wrek, at the Parish Church, a touch of Grandsire Triples was rung, with the bells muffled, as a last token of respect to the ringers' departed comrade.

## NOTICES. <br> THE CENTRAL COUNCIL. PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

The Second Session of the Eighth Council (23rd annual meeting) will be held at Newcastle-on-Tyne on Whitsun Tuesday, May 13th, 1913. Reports of committees and notices of motion should reach me not later than Saturday, April 12 th, in order that they may be forwarded in due course for insertion in the ringing papers. Hon. secretaries of the Diocesan or County Guilds or Associations affiliated to the Council will kindly bear in mind that aftilia tion fees ( 2 s .6 d . for each elected representative) became due on the Ist inst., and should be forwarded to me without delay. The rights of representatives whose quota has not been paid are in abeyance until payment has been made. I shall be glad if they will at the same time kindly inform me of any change in their own address since last year or in that of any of their representatives, or of any change in the representation itself.-Charles D. P. Davies, Honorary Secretary and Treasurer, Fretherne, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire. N.B.-Please do not make Iostal Orders payable at Stonehouse, which is six miles distant.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual meeting of the South and West District will be held at Isleworth on Saturday, January $25^{\text {th }}$. Bells available from $3 \cdot 30$. Tea by kind invitation of the Vicar, in the Hartland Road Mission Hall at 6 , followed by business meeting. Members and friends cordially invited.-H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Malvern Link on Saturday, January 25 th, 1913. Service at 4 p.m. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. Tea provided.-R. G. Knowles, Branch Secretary, Madresfield, Malvern.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Whitwick on Saturday, January 25 th. Bells ready at 2.30 . Committee meeting at 4 ; tea (1s. each) at 4.45 , both in the National Schonl. The committee request that all subsicriptions up to the end of 1912 be paid in at once.-II. E. White, Honorary Secretary.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-A quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, January 25 th, at Bishop Kyder's Church, Birmingham. Bells (8) available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Sulscriptions are now overdue, and should be paid at this meeting. Committee mecting after tea.Rer. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern Division.- The next quarterly meeting will be held at Christ Church, Blacklands, Hastings, on January 25th. Ringing from 3 to $80^{\prime}$ clock. Service $50^{\circ}$ 'clock; tea and mecting after service. Will secretaries kindly note subscription:s for 1912 are overdue and those lor 1913 atre now due.-Gro. H. Howse, Honorary Division Secretary, "Kenilworth," Latimer Road, Eastbourne.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at Southgate, by kind permission of the Rev. C. F. Peploe, on Saturday, January ${ }^{2} 5^{\text {th }}$. Bells ready at 3.30 . Short service at 5.30 . Taa at the Cherry Tree at 6 o'clock, Gd. each. Members
and friends cordially invited. Members are reminded that subscriptions for 1913 are now due.-C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Chew Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, January 25th. Bells available at 3.30. Divine service at 4.30 . Tea and business meeting 5.30.-George Yeo, Honorary Local Secretary.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Grantham on Saturday, January $25^{\text {th }}$. Bells ready at noon. Service in the Parish Church at 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided at the Grantham Dairy Co., Westgate, at 4.30 p.m. at is. 6d. each. Business meeting after. Members and friends will be given a hearty welcome.-A. Markwell, District Secretary, Ingoldsby.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A district meeting will be held at Aldenham on Saturday, January 25 th, 1913 . Bells available at 4 p.m. Tea at the Chequers at 5.30 at 9 d . per head. It is hoped that members will endeavour to be present. All ringers welcome. -H. Eden, Honorary Secretary, Western Division, 43, Heath Road, Oxhey, Hertford.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-The annual meeting of this district will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, January ${ }^{25}$ th, 1913. Tower open at 3. Committee meeting at 4. Service in church at 5 . Tea in the Oddfellows' Hall at 5.45 , followed by the general meeting. - IV. Latter, Honorary District Secretary, 26, Duke's Road, Tunbridge Wells.

VISITORS at the annual meeting of the Tonbridge district, held at Edenbridge on January 25th, are invited to save money by taking advantage of J. W. Steddy's ANNUAL SALE, which will be on at that time. Clothing and boots of every description at lowest prices, catalogue on application. Two hundred men's overcoats, Worth 25 5., all sizes, carriage paid, ${ }^{155}$. 6d. - J. W. Steddy, Edenbridge.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.-A meeting will be held at Cheshunt on January 25 th, when the bells will be available at $3 \cdot 30$. Tea at the Green Dragon, Church Gate, at 5.45 , members 6d., others gd., business meeting after. All will be made welcome.IV. H. Lawrence, Honorary District Secretary.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham District.-The next meeting will be held at Greenwich on Saturday, January $\mathbf{2}^{\text {th }}$. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Church Room, followed by business meeting. Service at 6 p.m., with address by the Rev. T. R. H. Sturgess. Subscriptions are due, and should be paid at this meeting.-T. Groombridge, Honorary District Secretary, 3t, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established ${ }^{1} 6_{37}$ ).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 3oth at 7.30 p.m.; Southwark Cathedral on the 28 th at 8 p.m. Also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturday evenings. A district meeting will be held at St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, on February ist. Tower open for ringing at 3.30 . Evensong 5.30. Tea in the Vicarage Hall at 6.15. Will members intending to be present kindly let me know by January 2 Sth?- William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secrctarr, $3_{2}$, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.IV.

ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP GUILD.-The next meeting of the above Guild will be held at Malins Lee on

Saturday, February ist, 1913. Business meeting at $4.3^{\circ}$ p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.-H. B. Beckwith, Honorary Secretary, Ridgemount, Shrewsbury.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern District.A meeting will be held at Great Baddow on Saturday, February ist, 1913. Bells at 4. Tea and meeting at King's Head 5.30, 8d. each. Kindly send notice for tea not later than Wednesday, the 2gth inst. - Henry F. Cooper, District Secretary, County Offices, Chelmsford.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Ordsall on Saturday, February ist. Tower open 2 p.m. to 9. Retford Station seven minutes' walk from church. Tea at 5 p.m., is. per head. All intending to be present please write Mr. J. White, Ordsall, Retford, not later than January 28 th. A good attendance is desired.-H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary, ro3, Gateford Road, Worksop.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will take place at St. Peter's, Croydon, on Saturday, February ist. Parish Church bells (8) open at 2.30, St. Peter's (io) at 3.30. Service at St. Peter's at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at $5 \cdot 45$ at St. Peter's Hall. Business meeting after. - Cyril F. Johnston, Honorary Secretary, Bell Foundry, Croydon.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.-Pre-Lent meeting will be held at Tanfield on Saturday, February ist. Bells available afternoon and evening. Committee meeting at the Pack Horse Inn at 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Members is., non-members is. 6d. Those intending to be present please notify Chas. Todd, Bracken Road, Darlington.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Northern District-- I mecting will be held at Baldock on Saturday, February ist. Tea and meeting at the White Lion at 5.30 p.m. Will those intending to be present kindly informz Mr. J. Cawdell, White Horse Street, before January 3oth?-B. H. T. Drake, District Secretary.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton-on-Trent District. - The next monthly ringing meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, on Saturday, February ist, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock; business meeting at 5 . The annual meeting of the district for the election of officers, etc., will be held in St. Modwen's belfry on Tuesday, February th. Bells ready at 7 p.m. Meeting at S.-Harry Wakley, Local Honorary Secretars.

ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY, SHEF: FIFLD.-The annual meeting of this society will be held at the Parish Church, Sheftield, on Saturday, February ist, 1913. Tower open at 4 p.m. - J. Evinson, 9i, Clarence Strect, Sheffield.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Eastern Counties; Branch.-The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Gedney on Saturday, February ist, 1913. Dinner will be provided in the Church End Schoolroom at one o'clock, tickets 2 s . 3d. Short service in the church at 3.30. Miss Banks has kindly invited the members to tea.-G. Ladd, Honorary Secretary.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.-The next meeting of this society will be held at Barnsley on Saturday, Feloruary rst. Church of St. Mary, 8 bells, tenor 14 cwt., available 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. There will be plenty of excursions to Barnsley on this date from all parts, owing to the Barnsley-Blackburn Cup Tie, which is to be played in
the afternoon, and it is hoped that ringers will take advantage of these.-J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, II, Havelock Street, Sheffield.

CHESTER DIOCES.AN GLILD.-Stockport Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Stalybridge, on Saturday, February ist.-Rer. A. T. Beeston, Honorary Branch Secretary.

DLRHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION. Eastern District.- 1 practice mecting will be held at Bishopwearmouth on Siturday, lebruary Ist, + to 7 p.m. All ringers welcome.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.-- 1 quarterly meeting will be held at Aresford and Bishop Sutton on Saturday, Vebruary ist. Bells of both towers a wailable from 2.30. Tea in Church Room at 5.30 . Old Alresford bells not available. Winchester Cathedral tower will be open [rom 7.30 to 9 p.m.-James W. Elkins, District Secretary
B.LTH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCILTIOX. - Clastonbury Deancry Branch.-A meeting will be hekd at Wells on Saturday, February ist. St. Cuthbert's bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Cathedral (io) from 5 p.m. Service at St. Cuthbert's Church at 4.30 p.m. Teă and mecting to follow. $A 11$ ringers invited.- 11 . Farley, Honorary Secretary, Mill Street, Wells.

L-ADIES' GUILD.-Southern District.-. I meeting will be held at St. Michael's Church, Basingstoke, by kind permission of the Vicar on Saturday, February ist. Bells available from $3 \cdot 30$. Tea at 5 p.m. Gentlemen are cordially invited. Will those intending to be present kindly notify Miss E. Belcher, Mereside, Flect, Hants, before January 29th.

OXFORD DIOCES.IN GUILD.-East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-The annual general meeting will be held at Boyn Hill, Maidenhead, Berks, on Saturday, February ist. Service, with sermon, by the Rev. C. IV. O. Jenkyn, at 4. 5 ; tea in the schoolroom at 5 o'clock; business meeting at 6 . Bells ready at 2 o'clock. Tea will be provided for any member who sends in his name before January 29th to R. Coles, Honorary Secretary, Snaefell, Priory Road, High IVycombe.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Yorktown District.-Quarterly mecting at Walton on Saturday, February 8th, commencing at 4 p.m. Tea in Church Hall at $5 \cdot 30$. All ringers welcome.-G. IS. Edser, Honorary Secretary, izo, Gipsy Road, West Norwood.

THE LOODON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society).-The annual general meeting and election of officers will take place on February 8th. The towers of St. Sepulchre's and St. Andrew's, Holborn, F.C., will be open from 4 to 6 p.m. Tea at 6.30 at the king of Denmark, 7 d . per head, business mecting to follow. All ringers welcome.- $\mathrm{F} . \mathrm{J}$. Hardy, Honorary General Secretary, 34, Guildford 小oad, South Lambeth, S.IV.

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## DOUBLE WORCESTER BOB MAJOR.

## To the Editor.

Sir--The figures published in this week's "Ringing World," and called Double Worester Bob Major, are not a legitimate method. The lead giren is not a Plain Lead, because it breaks the rule of method construction that a Plain Lead must be symmetrical; secondly, it is not Double. If Mr. Pigott wili get Rutes and Decisions of the Central Council puhblisled in 1904, and study the Legitimate Methods report on pages 16. 17 and 18 , and the figures on page 24, he will see where his figures fail, and if $l_{n}$ wants any further explanation and likes to write to me, I shatl be pleased to answer any questions.
Surfleet, spalding.
h. Law James.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

Tho first quarterly meeting of the year was held at Ufford, on Thursiay week, when the bells of the Parish Church, and also those at Wickham Biarket and Pettistrec, were at the disposal of visiting members throughout the day. Dinner was served in the Church Room by Mr. A. Ward, of the Lion Hotel.-The Rector (the Rev. W. J. Wyon) presided, supported by Mr. W. Ward (churchwarden), Messrs. F. 1R. Borrett, W. L. Duffield, J. Motts and C. E. Borrett (secretary), and representatives from a good many towers in the neighbourhool. After the loyal toast, the Chairman gave a very. cordial welcome to the risitors, expressing the hope that they would make the best use of the time and bells at their disposal. The Secretary gave a bricf account of the position of the Association, and the business meeting terminated with the clection of new members. Various touches were afterwarcis bought round on both towers and handbells.

## PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday weck, five mombers of the above society journeyed from Peterborough and Yoxley to the village of Alwalton, where there is a nico ring of five bells, upon which they rang a well-struck date touch of Grandsire Doubles, in 1hr. 8 mins. : Oswald Richardson 1, William Waldron 2, Hugh Beechy 3, John Jutson 4, Gcorge Jutson (conductor) 5. This was the longest length for ringers of the treble and 3rd bells. After this the bells were lowered, and the band walked to Overton Station, and took train to Castor, where they were met by one of the Castor ringers, who wished to ring his first 720 of Bob Minor. The bolls were raised, and then 1188 of Bob Minor was brought ound by: F. Fitzjohn, W. W'aldron, J. Jutson, H. Beechy, O. Richard501 and G. Jutson (conductor). This was the first 720 for the ringer of tho treble, and the first on an inside bell by ringer of the 4th. This concluded a very pleasant afternoon, and two of the band had a five miles' walk home.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

Fhe Northern District Practice held on January 8th, at North Shicids, was attensicd by ringers from four towers. Some lang their first touches in Grandsire and Treble Bob, and good practice wis then nut in at Stodman Triples Ond voweastle Association is to secure the recognition of ringers as Churchworkers; it was cousequently a satisfaction and a pleasure to receive a visit in the bulfry from the Vicar of North Shields. He expressed his interest in the moecedings, and informed the ringers that he is connected by marriage with the late Mr. Jasper W. Snowdon, whose name is familiar to every ringer as the author of many works on ringing.
The next practice will be held on Friday, January 24th, from 6.30 p.m. till 9 p.m., it Bernwell.

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I and authorised by tine Rector and Wardens to ay how plensed they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualifed to judge, we have zow, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yeurn faithfully, F. T. BEOK, Arohiteot, Dioocen Burveyor.

## A WORD TO CORRESPONDENTS.

We are rapidly approaching the completion of our second year, and, without being egotistical, we believe we may say we have more than justified our existence. We have endeavoured to supply the needs of the Exercise, and if we have succeeded we are well satisfied. That our efforts have met with appreciation we have many evidences to prove, and one of the strongest is the large amount of matter sent us every week for publication. There can be no better proof of the popularity of this journal, we think, than the enormous quantity of reports of various kinds which we receive, and we desire gratefully to acknowledge the help thus accorded us by a host of correspondents all over the country. But this large batch of material which comes into our office every week-enough sometimes to fill our available space twice over-presents the most serious problem with which we are confronted. In our desire to do justice to everyone we do our best to crowd in whatever we receive each week, but it is not always possible to find room for everything. The columns of a newspaper are not elastic, and although we frequently, at considerable cost, increase the number of our pages in order to meet the demands upon our space, there are still a few of our readers who are disappointed at some delay in the appearance of what they forward for insertion. With a view, therefore, to facilitating matters in this direction we would make a special appeal to corespondents to send in all reports as early as possible. Unfortunately a great many leave their communications to the very last minute. Our large circulation and the fact that every issue has to be distributed over the whole area of the kingdom, make it impossible for us to take ordinary matter after Tuesday morning, but though this is made clear in a notice which appears in our columns every week, a great many things which might arrive much earlier swell our mail bag as we are on the point of going to press. We gladly welcome communications upon every subject relating to ringing and the welfare of the Exercise, but it would save us much soreness of heart and vexation of mind if all our correspondents would follow the excellent example to which some adhere of sending in their contributions as soon as the peal has been rung or the meeting held, as the case may be. If early matter were only sent in early much trouble and disappointment might be saved. As an example of what sometimes happens, we may mention that we received on Tuesday the report of an event which happened in December, with the request that it should appear this week. And while dealing with this subject may we request correspondents not to send communications to our publishers, it only causes inconvenience and delay. Correspondence on all matters should be sent to the Editorial Office.

## Charles carr,



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## TEN BELL PEALS.

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THE MDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thesday, Jannary 21, 1913. in Three Hours and Fiftecn Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL Of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 Changes; Tenor 21 cwt. I qr. 22 lbs .
*George Allder ... ...Treble Joseph J. Pratt ... ... 6
*William Henley ... ... 2 Edgar Hancox... ... ... 7
William H. Fussell ... 3 | Arthur Harding ... ... 8
*William Welling... ... 4 Henry H. Chandler ... 9 George H. Gutteridge 5 | William Honor ... ... Tenor Composed by William T. Elson, and Conducted by Joseph J. I'ratt.

* First peal of Caters.

GLOUCESTER.
GLOUCI:STER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIOIRS, GLOUCESTER.
On Thursday, January 23, 1913, in Threc Hours and Thirty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS, 5183 CHANGES; Tenor 20 cwt.
Thomas Newman ... ...Treble | John W. Jones ... ... 6
Rev. H. Law James... ... 2 John W. Davis ... ... 7
Jesse Gillett ... ... ... 3 John Austin ... ... ... 8
Thomas Baldwyn ... ... 4 Ex-Sergt. J. Williams 9 Charles L. Sadler ... ... 5 Thomas J. Whiting ...Tenor Composed by Arthor Knighis, and Conducted by John Austin.

MELTON MOWBRAY, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(The St. Martin's Society, Leicester).
On Saturday, January 25, 1913, in Three Howrs and Thirty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CATERS, 5160 CHANGES; Tenor $25 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

Frederick H. Dexter ...Tveble | Richard H. Bartram ... 6 Samdel Cotton...$\quad$... 2 Josiah Morris ...... Louis E. Allen ... ... 3 Charles H. Fowler ... 8 \begin{tabular}{cccc|cccc}

* Harold G. Jenney, P.C. \& 4 \& Alfred Martin \&... \&.. \& 9 <br>
Arthur S. Pettit ... ... \& 5 \& Thomas Taylor \&... \&... <br>
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\end{tabular} Composed and Conducted by Fredk. H. Dexter.
* First peal in the method away from the tenor, and first peal on ten bells.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Satwrday, January, 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 GNANGES;


Composed by Arthor Knights, and
Conducted by John Goodman, Junr.
Rung on the occasion of the Festival of the Conversion of St. Paul. J. A. Brown belongs to Bilston Parish Church, W. Fisher and B. Gough to Coseley Parish Church, and the remainder to Dudley Parish Church.

WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Saturday, January 25, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute,

At the Church of St. Matthew,
A PEAL OF SIEDMAN CATERS, 5017 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt.


## EIGHT BLLL PEALS.

SELLY OAK, WOTRCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCISSTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Northern Division.)
On Monday, Jannary 6, 1913, in Tuo Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE YORKSHIRE COURT BOB mAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 12 cwt.
William Palmer ... ...Trcble Morris J. Morris ... ... 5 John Bass ... ... ....... 2 Samoel Grove ... ... 6
 George F. Swany ... ... 4 Joseph Pigott... ... ... Tenor Composed and Conducted by Joserf Pigott.
First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells and by the Association.

STREATHAN, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Jantary 7f, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Heywood's Variation.
Toseph A. Lambert ... ...Trelle John Lee
John S. Daniels
Isab J. Atrwater

## ... $\quad .$.

## Co

 Henry J. RumbiaRung, with the bells half-muffed, as a tribute of respect to the late Rev. Heneage Horsley Jebb, M.A., Rector of Streatham, who was interred at Streatham Cemetery on the above date.

## BIRLING, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(St. John's, Deptford, Society.)
On Saturday, Januay 78, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Holt's Original. Robert Fosdike ... ...Treble - Frederick S. Bacon Alfred G. Bennington
*William H. Daynes
*First peal with a bob bell. First peal on the bells, which were augmented from six to eight, i8gr. These bells are hung backward. This peal was rung on the 2oth anniversary of the death of Canon Money, first Vicar of St. John's, Deptford, who was Vicar of Birling at the time of his death, and is buried in Birling churchyard. All the ringers are members of St. Jolin's band.

## GLOSSOP, DERBYSHIRE

THE BOROUGH OF GLOSSOP ASSOCIATION On Suturday, January 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. James, Whitfield,

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

 Tenor 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.| aes Buckl | ble | Eli Garside |
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| m Ho |  | John Lawton |
| Herbert |  | Richard Newton |

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\begin{array}{llll|ll}
\text { Herbert Bradley } & \ldots & \ldots & 3 & \text { Richard Newton } & \ldots \\
\text { Thomas Jackson } & \ldots & \ldots & 4 & \text { Robert Davis ... } & \ldots \\
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\end{array}
$$

Composed by Samuel Wood, and Conducted by Robert Davis.

- Proposed members previous to starting. Messrs. Newton, Ho!brook and Davis hail from the Manchester district.

WEST KIRBY, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. (Wifral Branch.)
On Monday, Jaiuary 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-sever Minutics, At the Churcg cf St. Bridget,
A FEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;

## Holt's Original.

Samuel Wharton ... ...Tycble
Charles W. Powell ... 2
James Hale..
Joseph Rutter
Conducted by

Tenor $12 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.
Joseph L. Hammond
「homas Murray ... .... 5
William Wilcox ... ... 7
Edviard Hampson ... ...TeThor Conducted by Thomas Morray

## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Wednesday, January 22, 1913, in Tro Hours and Fifty-cight Minutes, At St. Chad's (R.C.) Cathedral,
A PEAL EF CAMBRIDGE SUPPRISE HAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Johnson's Variation. Tenor Is cwt., in F.

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John H. Swinfield Alf Paddon Smith ... 7
Samuel Grove
Conducted by James E. Groves.
This peal was arranged for J. Yagett, of Derby, and J. H. Swinfield, of Burton-on-Trent

## WOLVERHAMPTON.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Wednesday, January 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Luke,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIPE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor io cwt.
*Frederick Darrall ...Treble William H. Lawley
Harry Farlow
.Treble Wrlliam H. Lawley
$\begin{array}{ll} & \\ \cdots & 6 \\ \cdots & 6\end{array}$ Thomas O'Connor...
... 3
Daniel Jones
Conducted by
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Herbert Knight } & . . . & . . & 7 \\ \text { Edward Mitchell } & . . & \text {... Tenor }\end{array}$

* First peal and first attempt.

DERBY.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Thurday, Janary 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDOE SURPBISE MAJOG, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor $20 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Harold Inckle ... ... ...Treble| Bart Mitchell ... ... 5 George Ward ... ... ... 2 Albert H. Ward ... ... 6 Arthur Braines … ... 3 | James Pagett ... ..... .7 Charles E. Hart ... ... 4 Walter Wallace ... ...Tenor Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by Walter Wallace.
This is the first peal in the method by all the band and the first rung in Derby.

## RYE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(The Romney Marsh and District Guild.)
On Friday, January 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor ig cwt. o qr. 27 lbs .

- Percival F. Giles... ...Treble Vivian D. Laurence ... 5 Harold F. Cobon ... ... 2 Joseph B. Bennett ... 6 | Alfred Johnson | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | George Billenness | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Charles Price.... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Gilbert J. Youngs... | ... Ther | Charles Price... $\ldots$..... 4 Gilbert J. Youngs...

Conducted by George Billenness.

* First peal and first attempt, and elected a member of the Association previous to starting. A. Johnson comes from Appledore and the rest are Rye ringers. P.F. Giles is 16 years of age. Rung on the Vigil of the Festival of the Conversion of St. Paul, and on the 28 th anniversary of the establishment of the Sussex Association. It was also rung as a birthday compliment to $C$. Price, the esteemed verger.


## LEISTON, SUFFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.
On Saturday, January 25, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minufe, At the Chorch of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor $20 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in E.
 above Society

CHERTSEY, SURREY
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, January 25, 1913, in Three Howrs and Ten Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES; 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 20 cwt. o qr. I4 lbs.
Chardes T Tricker ...Trcble Charles

Charles ... 5 *Henry R. Stevens ... 2 *Albert E. Gray ... ... 6 | Ferris Shepherd ... | .. | 3 | William Shepherd... | .. | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ferris J. Shepherd | .. | 4 | William | Charge | ... |
| ...T Tenot |  |  |  |  |  |

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Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood, Bart., and Conducted by William Shepherd.

- First peal of Stedman.


## AUGHTON, LANCASHIRE

THE LIVERPOOI. DIOCESAN GUILD On Saturday, January 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At Christ Church,

A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Heywood's Variation.

James Marsh ... ... ...Treble
James Taylor
... ... 2 William Rimmer ... ...

Conducted b Wilezad RMmer
Charles Sharples

Tenor 16 cwt . Conducted by E. Cadonce.

This was the conductor's rooth peal. E. Caunce hails from Grassendale, Liverpool ; the rest are local ringers.

## COLERNE, WILTS

On Saturday, January 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Mimutes, At the Church of 5 t , John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.
*Thomas Roberts ... ...Treble
Francis W. Cannings ... 2
†George Janes ... ... ... 3
Thomas Hogsflesh... ... 4
Conducted by Charles W. Bell.

* First peal of Triples. † First peal.


## LYDNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

 GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER. On Saturday, January 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGE8;

Tenor 14 cwt.
Ex-Sergt. J. Williams .Treble
Charles L. Sadler...
2

Composed by Arthur Knights, and
Conducted by William T. Pegler.

WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Saturday, Junuary 25, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE ;
Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor if cwl.
Thomas Taylor ... ... ...Treble William Cooper ... ... 5 Frederick Bendall ... ... 2 Elijah Pagett......
George Griffiths ... ... 3 Albert Mills ...... William Peart ... ... ... 4 *Walter Reynolds... ...Tenor Conducted by Albert Mills.

* First peal. This peal was rung to celebrate the birth of a son and heir to Lord and Lady Lewisham, and a grandson to Lord Dartmouth, patron of the living at the above church.


## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, January' 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At the Church of St. George, Camberwell,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES; Tenor 14 cwt.
William Hewett ... ...Treble George R Pye ... ... 5
Alfred W. Grimes ..... .120 William Pye ... 2 ...... Isaac G. Shade... ... ... 3 *Madrice F. R. Hibbert 7 Frank Bennett... ... ... 4 James E. Davis ... ...Tehop

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by William Pye.

* First peal in the method.

BLEWBURY, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, January 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifly-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Holt's Ten-Part.

| W. Napper (a) | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Treble | F. James | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| T. East | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | R. James | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 6 |
| W. Napper | (b) | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | J. S. Napper | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 7 |  |
| J. Bower | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 4 | T. Busby | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Tenor | Conducted by T. East.

This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. John Bower. of Goring.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, January 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty five Minutor, At the Chorch of St. Lawrence,

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

Tenor rois cwt.


- First peal in the method.

FOXEARTH, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Junuary 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGE6; Tenor 7 cwt . o qr. 17 lb .


## BURNHAM, BUCKS

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, January 26, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

## Tenor IG cwt.



- First Surprise peal.


## SIX FIVE BELL PEALS.

TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, January 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's in fourteen methods:- i, Cambridge, Surfleet and Beverley ; ii, London and Wells; iii, York and Durham ; iv, Hexham and Berwick ; v, Annable's London and Hull ; vi, Bourne and Netherseale ; vii, Norwich. Tenor 20 cwt .
Clarence Gooch … ...Treble | Frederick Manser... ... 4
 Bertie Turner ... ... ... 3 | Frederick Seager... ... Tenor Conducted by F. Manser.
First peal in fourteen Surprise methods by all the band and by the Association.

Hale magna, Lincolnshire.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
(Northern Branch.)
On Thursday, January 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise and Double Court, two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and one of Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.
*Robert Steivard ... ...Treble Thomas T. Homberstone 4 Christopher Ward... ... 2 William Dickinson ... 5 Walter H. Wood ... ... 3 Ropert Richardson ...Tenor

First peal. Conducted by Rupert Richardson.

## WARRINGTON.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Friday, January 2†, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Padl,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Double Oxford Bob, Oxford Bob, Double Bob and Plain Bob.
 Conducted by E. H. Lewis.
First peal on the bells, which were hung in 18 fo. Rung on the Ere of St. Paul's Day.

## FRYERNING, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
(South Eastern District.)
On Saturday, January 25., 1913, in Tuo Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being forty-two Six-Scores of Stedman, Grandsire, and Plain Bob. Tenor io cwt.
Percy Litch
George Camp

> ..Tyeble Arthur Bradley
... 2 Erebn Ediward Litch...

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { William Green... ... ...Tenor } \\
& \text { Conducted by Wilitam Green. }
\end{aligned}
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First peal ever rung on the bells and the first peal by all the band, with the exception of A. Bradley, this being his first peal of Doubles It was also rung as a farewell to Percy Litch, who is leaving for Canada early next month. It was rung by the local band, who, less than a year ago, joined the Essex Association, and have been ably instructed by Mr. W. Lincoln, of Writtle.

# HANSLOPE, BUCKS. <br> THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> (North Bucks Branch.) <br> On Saturday, January 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Tf Minutes, At the Church of St. James, <br> $A$ PEAL OF TREBLE BOB BINOR, 5040 CHANGE ; 

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, College Exercise, London College Pleasure, Violet, Orford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 22 cwt.
Leonard Smith ... ... ...Tveble $\mid$ Walter W. Bonham ... 4 Herbert C. Edwards ... 2 Albert J. Green ... ... 5 Edwin Yates ... ... ... 3 Cecil A. Valentine ...Tenor

## Conducted by Cecil A. Valentine.

First peal of Treble Bob on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to H. C. Edwards. The ringers wish to thank the Rector (the Rev. W. J. Harkness) for the use of the bells and Mr. T. Nicholls, the steeple-keeper for having everything ready.

## FULBECK.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Nortiern Branch.)
On Saturday, January 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of two $720^{\prime}$ 's each of College Single and Plain Bob, and three 720's of Oxford Bob. Tenor 12 cwt .
*William Jarvis ... ...Treble George Scott... ... ... 4
Caleb L. Simcock... Richard W. Porter $\cdots{ }^{-\cdots} \quad 3$ Charles W. Else... ... Tenor Conducted by Charles W. Else.
*First peal.

## BISHOP'S HULL, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Suturday, January 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Tiwo Minutes,

At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Being seven 720 's, each called differently.
Arthor Symons... ... ...Treble *Arthur Hayward ... $_{\text {An }}$... 4
 Conducted by P. Merson.

* First peal of Minor.

LITCHBOROUGH, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, January 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Martin,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 Six-Scores.
*Walter C. Starmer ...Tyeble | Wilfred Sharp ... ... 3
Fred Hopper ... ... ... 2 |Arthor T. Starmer ...
Thomas Law ..Tenor
Conducted by Fred Hopper.

* First peal. First peal on the bells. Rung for the Festival of the Conversion of St. Paul.


## STOKE GOLDING, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION AND THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, January 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of London Surprise, one each of York, Chester, and Beverley, and two of Cambridge Surprise. Tenor Io cwt. | Ernest Stone... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Trelle | Geoffrey J. Stoneley |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Edgar Valiance... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Thomas H Vallance... | Edgar Valiance... $\ldots . . . . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Thomas H. Vallance... 5 Walter J. Hornton... ... 3 E. Harry Stoneley ... Tenor Conducted by E. Harry Stoneley.

This peal was rung for the Festival of the Conversion of St. Paul. It was the first peal in five Surprise methods by all the band, and by the Association.

## FOY, HEREFORDSHIRE

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, Jantary 25,7913 , in Two Hours and Forty-fiwe Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAHCES:

Being two 720's each of Grandsire and Canterbury Pleasure, and three of Plain Bob
*William Steele ... ...Treble †Allen Gifynne ... ... 2 John Clark Joseph Cartwright ... 3 William Poston ... ...Tenor Conducted by W. Poston.

* First peal. † First peal on an inside bell.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK

THE NORIVICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Monday, January 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fourteen Minutes, In the Vestry of St. Margaret's Chorch,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;
James M. Bailey ... ... I-2 Ernest S. Bailey... $\cdot . .5$ 5-6 Charles F. Bailey

3-4 *Allen F. Bailey ... 7 -8 Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.

Umpire: Charles Sampson.

* First peal on handbells by Allen Bailey, who is only I6 years of age


## GESTINGTHORPE, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Tuestay, January 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Tiventy Minstes, At the Residence of Mr. Broyd,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

In seren methods, viz. :-Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford and Plain Bob, was tapped by

## Olaye E. Broyd.

Umpires: H. W. Catterwell and G. Pannell
Witnesses: A. Catterwell and W. Nice.
This peal is believed to be the first tapped by one person in seven methods.

## HARWICH, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Wednesday, Tanuary 22, 1913, in Tao Hours and Three Minutes, At the Residence of A. T. Morris,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Arthur T. Morris
I-2 | Thomas Bernard George Thompson... ... 3-4 Tower Taylor Composed by W. Harrison, and Conducted by A. T. Morris.

## CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Sunday, Januury 26, 1913, in One Hour and Forty-one Minutos,
In the Secretary's Rooms. Trinity College,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's of Kent and Treble Bob and five of Plain Bob.
J. Brece Williamson ... i-2 | William D. James

Frederick Barker... ... 5-6
Conducted by William D. James. Umpire: F. P. Cheetham.
[The following peal has not hitherto been published.] BUXTON, NORFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, April 27, 1912, in Taio Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF COB MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being seven $7^{20}$ 's.
Walter C. Medler... ...Tieble George Farrow ... ... 2
John Cooper

Tenor 12 civt

## Allen

 James Cushion … $\cdot \cdots 4$ James Cushion...Robert
Rook
Rober $\mathrm{In}^{5}$ Robert Cook C. Medler.

The peal of Minor at Royston, Herts, on Jan. I8th, included 720 of Oxford Bob, which was omitted from the report.

5-6 7-8 8 c dccided to make it the general business meeting for the ensuing year.
It haring come to the knowledge of the members that the President It hading come to the knowledge of the members that the President
(the Rev. W. W. C. Baker) had recently celebrated his silver wedding, the secretary was requested to convey the hearty congratulations of the meeting to the President.

Considering that the ringers pesent so thoroughly enjoyed themselves, it need hardly be recorded that a very hearty vote of thanks
was accorded to the Vicar (the Rev. WF. S. C. Seccombe) for giving facilities for the meeting, and for granting the use of the bells.

The Rev. Tyrwhitt-Drake addressed the mecting on a scheme of his, for the recognition of those companies who make the bast average of attendance and progress during the year, and was promised hearty support from all present.
To antiquarians who visit the district, it may be interesting to add that there is in the wall of the tower the face of a very old sum dial. It was discovered when the church was rebuilt in 1898, and, though the writer has been unable to verify the statement, he was told by a local authority that it is the only known specimen of a Saxon sun-dial with a whole face.

## ST. BOTOLPH'S RINGERS' TRIBUTE.

On Wednesday, January 15th, the whole pull and stand was ruug with the bells half muffled, at St. Botolph's Church, Bishopsgate, London, as a mark of respect to the late Mr. Horner. The deceased, whose death occurred with appalling suddenness, was highly esteemed and respected by all who knew him, and was for many years a regular worshipper at St. Botolph's. The ringers, who aro members of the local band, were: W. Arnold 1, H. Laver 2, F. Andrevs 3, J. Cornford 4, Rev. J. A. S. Bullock 5, W. Tdwards 6, T. Walker 7, A. Pettett 8. Afterwards 336 Grandsire Triples were rung by: W'. Arnold 1, F. Andrews 2, Rev. J. A. S. Bullock 3, T. Walker 4, J. Cornford' (conductor) 5, R. W. Green 6, A. Turner 7, W. J. Nelder 8 . 168 each of Grandsire and Stedman followed, conducted by T. H. T'affender. ing at Sharnbrook, and, at the wish of the district secretary, it was decided to wake it the general business meeting for the ensuing year. $3-4$ . members of the local band, were: W. Arnold 1, H. Laver 2, F. Andrews

## LATE PEAL.

SHOREHAM SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, January 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Scentecn Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 15 cwt.
George Holvse... ... ...Treble $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll}\text { Richard Stredwick } & . . \\ 5\end{array}\right.$

| John Capp | ....... | ... | 2 | Henry Stalham | ... | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Edward C. | Merritt | ... | 3 | William C. Hart... | .. | 7 |  |

 Composed by Henry Dains, and

Conducted by Keith Hart.

- First peal of Superlative. This was the 500 th peal the conductor has rung for the Sussex County Association.


## THE LEGITIMATE METHODS. <br> Io the Editor.

Sir,-On December 6th last, Mr. F. Blood asked the Whitley Bay ringers, through the columns of "The lainging World," to inform the Exercise of the methods they had rung and the names and dates since "Legitimate Methods" was published. Mr. Blood also says he has the name and date of every method it has been possible to get, so I ask him through your columns if No. 13 in the Delight class is among his collection. This method I composed myself, and it was rung by our band eight or nine years ago under tho name of Oswald Treble Bob. In the Surprise class, No. 24 is one I composed and named Lancashire Surprise; we rang it first time on May 27th, 1906. Another of our band, Mr. Isaac Whalley, composed No. 22 and named it Immanuel. This also was rung on May 27th, 1906.-Yours faithfully,
C. SHARPLES.
[No. 13 of the 4th's place Delights is now officially known as Willesden and No. 13 of the 3rd's place Delights as Kent. No. 24 in the Surprise class is known at Stamford. The name of Lancashirc has been given to No. 22.-Ed. 1

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

At Cardington, a village still fragrant with the memory of that great prison-reformer, John Floward, a meeting of the Bedford district was held on Saturday. The weather was not of the best. but, notwithstanding, there attended ringers representing eleven towers, and the beautiful ring of eight bells was kept going to Plain Bob, Grandsire, Kent, Stedman, Double Norwich and Cambridge. It was a very instructive meeting, and a number who attended derived great advantage.
A tea, arranged at one of the local inns, was partaken of in the most fraternal and jovial spirit, after which followed a short meeting. -The District Secretary, Mr. J. W. Barker, read a letter of thanks from the Mayor of Bedford, also an iuvitation from the Sharnbrook ringers.-Following a discussion, it was decided to hold the next meet-

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## PRESIENTATION TO LEWISHAM DISTRICT SECRETARY

The quarterly meeting of the Lewisham District was held at St. Alphege, Greenwich, on Saturday. This peal of ten was available during the aftornoon, and about 80 members assembled in the Parish Room for tea and business, among those present being Miss Christabel Airey, and the Revs. F. J. O. Helmore and T. W. Sturgess, the lastnamed occupying the chair. The secretary's report again proved highly satisfactory, while the report of the district representative (Mr. W. J. Jeffries) on the proceedings of the Central Committee was followed with interest.-Several new members were elected, and the meeting then decided on Chislehurst as the place of the next quarterly meeting. The Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, the hon. general secretary of the Association, then said ho had a very pleasant duty to perform. It was to ask Mr. 'Thos. Groombridge, the district secretary, to accept a little acknowledgment and appreciation of his ten years' work, in the shape of an address and a purse, adding, "I've no doubt there is something in it." Mr. Helmore then went back to the time when he first took office, before there was a Lewisham District branch of the Association. He spoke of the first secretarics, who each held office for a year or two, and the gradual success of the district, but he felt sure that all present were of the opinion that the present high position which the district held was largely due to the energy of their present secretary, Mr. Groombridge. Mr. Helmore added that it gave him great pleasure to come up from East Kent to perform such a pleasant office, and asked Mr. Groombridge to accept the address and purse.

## THE ADDRESS.

The address, which was handsomely illuminated and framed, bore a picture of St. Mary's Church, Lewisham, and was worded as follows:-

The Kent County Association of Change Ringers.
To Thomas John Groombridge, Hon. Secretary Lewisham Dis trict.-On behalf of the Lewisham District of the above Association, we, the undersigned, desire to express our sincere thanks for the unfailing energy and enthusiasm you have shown in the execution of your duties as hon. secretary of the district during the past ten years. During that period the number of members has been almost doubled, the standard of the ringing has been raised, the spirit of association has dipened, and we gladly recognise the fact that this conspicuous improvement has been effected to a very great extent through your untiring efforts. We know that it has been with you a labour of love; and we hope and trust that the Association may continue to enjoy the benefit of your help and guidance for many years to come.-E. Barnett,
H. Warnett, I. Emery, J. Wheadon, C. H. Walker, S. H. Kecch, G. H. Warnett, I. Emery, J. Wheadon, G. H. Walker, S. H. Kecch, G.
H. Daynes, Committee; W. J. Jeffiries, Hon. District Representative; F. J. O. Helmore, Hon. General Secretary.

Mr. Groombridge, who was most enthusiastically veceived, said the members had completely taken the wind out of his sails. He went on to say that it had always been a labour of love to him to do what he could for the district. He thanked all for their kindness.-Mr. Hoskins moved a wote of thanks to Mr. Jeffries, who had been the prime mover in the object, and Mr. Jeffries replied thanking the district The ready way they had supported him.
The usual vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells.
The members then attended evensong, at which the Rev. T. W. Sturgess gave the address. At the close, the belfry was again visited, and much good practice was had during the day. Afterwards some of the members assembled at the Globe Hotel, and a pleasant hour was spent. Mr. F. W. Richardson presided at the piano, and songs were rendered bv Messrs. Jeffries, J. E. Davis, D. Wright, F. W. Thornton, C. Walker. W. Smith and F. W. Richardson, and the proceedings terminated another of the always successful and enjoyable meetings of the Lewisham District.
Mr. Groombridge requests us to insert the following letter to the members of the Lewisham District: "Being so taken by surprise at the very kind remarks of the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore at our meeting on Saturday last, and the handsome present I received from his hands through your kind generosity, I found it impossible to thank you in a way I should like to have done, and desire, therefore, to take this opportunity of sincerely thanking you all for the handsome ap-
preciation you have shown me for the services I have rendered you as your district secretary. The reverend gentleman's account of the doings and growth of the district was a great recompense to me for what I have done, but the handsome address will keep in my mind as long as I live the many happy hours we have spent together. Again I most sinceroly thank you all, particularly those gentlemen whose names appear on the address, for their exertions, and also the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, who made the journey from Canterbury especially for the occasion, thus conferring another great honour on me. I trust this district and the Association may continue to prosper."

## MEETING AT SELLING

A very representative meeting was held at Solling on Saturday week, attended by 53 members. Ringers appeared early and rang various methods before 5.15 p.m., when the Vicar (the Rev. C. Whitmore Ford) conducted a very impressive service, following the form prepared for the Association. Afterwards the members adjourned to the White Lion for tea, very kindly provided by Mr. S. Neame, who was also
present.

Subsequently, with the Vicar in the chair, the Rev. C. Whitmore Ford, the Rev. T. Harrison and Mr. S. Neame, hon. members and 10 new practising members were duly elected, and Chilham and Littlebourne towers were accepted into union. Mr. E. G. Buesden was appointed instructor to Chilham.

Mr. C. H. Drake proposed, and Mr. E. E. Foreman seconded a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the service and the use of the bells, and Mr. W. E. Pitman proposed, and Mr. A. H Saxby seconded, a vote of thanks to $\mathrm{Mr}_{1}$. Neame for the tea.-Both gentlemen suitably responded. At the conclusion of the business Grandsire and Stedman were runy on handbells Further touches on the tower bells were rung, and refreshments afterwards brought a very successful meeting to a close.

## THE MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the North and East district was held on Saturday last at Southgate, and was attended by 50 members, the following towers being represented: Barnet, Edmonton, Finchley, Hadley, Hornsey, Southgate, Tottenham, Clapton, Clerkenwell, and Walthamstow (St. Saviour's). A short service was held, and an instructive address given by the Vicar (the Rev. C. F. Peploc). Tea was served at the Cherry Tree, and was followed by the business meeting. -The Hon. Secretary (Mr. C. T. Coles) gave a short report of the work of the district during 1912, and submitted the balance sheet, which, in spite of an increase in several items of expenditure, showed a balance to the good of nearly f3 on the year's working.
On the proposition of Mr. James Parker, seconded by Mr. Hi. Reeves, the whole of the officers were re-elected, this in itself being sufficient proof that the members were satisfied with their work.Seventcen new members were elected, including the recently-formed band at St. James', Clerkenwell, who were present, and took part in various touches during the day. Instructors were appointed, by request, to coach the ringers at Barnet and Hadley.

It was decided to hold the next meeting of the district at Hornsey.The Hon. Secretary spoke of the importance of attending the annual general meeting, which is to be held at St. John's, Hillingdon, on the Saturday after Easter. This being the only occasion during the year when the two districts of the Association meet in an official way, he hoped that the members would make erery effort to attend.-Votes of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and for his interesting address at the service, and to the local ringers for their kind welcome, concluded the business. The bells were utilised during afternoon and evening, the methods rung including Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and Superlative, London and Bristol Surprise. It was one of the most successful district meetings in the annals of the Association.

## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A very successful meeting of the Portsmouth district was held at St. Marys, Portsea, on Saturday. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman were rung during the afternoon, and tea was partaken of at the institute, over 40 being present, including representatives from Titchfield, Portsea, Fareham, Swanmore, Curdridge, Harant, Bishop's Waltham, Brading, Ryde, and Gosport, and visitors from Lee-on-Solent, Twyford and North Stoneham. - At the business meeting, which followed, the report and balance sheet were adopted, and the officers reelected as follows: The Rer. C. E. Matthews, chairman; Mr. J. Whiting, secretary; Messus G. Chappell and E. J. Harding, representatives; and Mr. J. Symonds, auditor. One honorary and two performing members, and nine probationers were elected, together with the whole of the Gosport band, numbering 18 members. Much satisfaction was expressed at the Gosport hand again becoming affiliated to the Guild.Yotes of thanks were accorded the officers for so successfully transacting the business of the district, and to the Rev. C. Garbett for the use of the bells and institute.
The bells of St. Thomas' were available, and this tower was, therefore, also visited. Evensong was attended at St. Mary's, and a part. of the ringers' service was used.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Southern branch was held at Grautham, on Saturday, about 20 members being present from Barkston, Bourne, Stamford, Edenham, Ingoldsby, and Grantham. The Rev. Law James (Master of the Guild) and the Rev. C. J. Sturton, Vicar of Orston, Notts, and several friends from Peterborough were also present. A special service was held at the Parish Church, and an excellent address was given by the Vicar. After tea, the balance sheet was presented and adopted, and the officers elected.-The Rev. E. W. Carpenter, who was prevented from being present, owing to indisposition, was re-elected President; Mr. Sidney Proctor, the conductor of the Grantham company, was elected secretary, Mr. A. Markwell being obliged to resign owing to pressure of business. The other officers were re-elected, with a slight alteration of committee. - A hearty vote of thanks was given to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and also for his excellent address.- A vote of thanks was given to Mr. A. Markwell for his services as secretary for the past year. During the day. touches of Plain Bob, Grandsire, Treble Bob and Stedman were rung. We are asked to state that any correspondence relating to the Southern branch should be sent to Mr. Sidney Proctor, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

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# BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS. SALISBURY. 

By J. R. Jerram.

The old bell tower, which stood on the north side of the cathedral, about 60 yards thercfrom, contained a peal of eight bells, tenor 38 cwt . I have been unable to find out the dates or founders of the front five; but the seventh and tenor were recast in 1680 by Clement Tosier, in conjunction with Elizabeth Flower, widow of Robert Flower, bell founder, and the sixth (the only one now in existence) was cast by William Purdue in 166 I.
The history of the destruction of the tower and bells is as follows :-On October ioth, r746, several of the bells being cracked, and the fittings out of order, it was ordered that they be rung no more after November 5 th till the cracked ones be recast. This, however, was never


The Ancient Campanile of Salisbory,
in which the Cathedral bells were originally hung. This picture is reproduced from an old print.
done; but in 1762 a faculty was applied for to Bishop Thomas to sell the second, third, fifth, seventh and tenor, all of which were cracked. This was refused; but in 1777 Bishop Hume granted a faculty for their sale, and we find this entry in the records of the Dean and Chapter: 'March I4th, I777. Ordered that Mr. Lush (then clerk of the works) do sell the five bells that are down in the helfry, the Lord Bishop of Sarum having consented to their sale for the bencfit of the fabric." Robert Wells, the Aldbourne founder, then gave $£ 44 \mathrm{~s}$. per ctwt. for them, the total weight being computed at 7 tons 14 cwt . I qr.

In March, ry90, the old clock and the sixth bell were removed to the central steeple of the Cathedral, where they still remain; though the clock has been replaced by a new one, given by the Wilts Regiment in 1883 , which chimes the Cambridge quarters on four bells.
In January, 1793, the two remaining bells (treble and fourth) were sold to Robert Wells for $£ 105$. The bell tower was then pulled down, the upper part above the bells, which was of timber covered with lead, having been
demolished in 1769 , on account of its dangerous condition. At that date the bell chamber was covered by a slated roof.

At the present time the central steeple contains the large service bell (the sixth of the original peal), weighing $24 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., and the four clock bells. In the gable of the south transept hangs the Bishop's bell. The inscriptions and diameters are as follows :-

## Service bell.

是 WILLIAM CAROLI $2^{\text {DI }}$ XIIIO A $^{\circ 0}$ DNI 166I $\dagger \dagger \dagger$ IMPENSIS ECCLESIAE \&.T $\dagger$ H.H. 5.
[Diameter 5ri $\frac{3}{4}$ inches]. The four clock bells (on each bell).
J : TAYLOR AND CO. BELLFOUNDERS, LOUGHBOROUGH, 1884.
[Diameters $26 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{in}$., $28 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{in}$., $31 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{in}$. and $39 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{in}$.]. Bishof's bell.
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[Diameter 26 in.].
Before being recast the Bishop's bell was inscribed " + Iesus Nazarenus Rex Iudeorum "' in black letter alphabet.

A short description of the old bell tower may be of interest. It was a massive building, 33 feet square inside the walls, which were nearly eight feet thick. It was 80 feet high to the top of the parapet, over which was the bell chamber, built of timber covered with lead; above this was an octagonal turret surmounted by a spire, also formed of timber covered with lead. The total height was about 200 feet. The ringing floor was 37 feet from the ground.

## ODD CHANGES.

We have had unavoidably to hold over until next issue, further correspondence on the peal at Wallasey; a lengthy letter from Mr. Dains in reply to Mr. Lindoff, and some other reports.

Another " tapping " performance is recorded this week, and is even more wonderful than the two peals recently scored by Mr. J. Segar, junr., of Retford, inasmach as the peal consisted of seven methods. To Mr. Olave Broyd, of Gestingthorpe, Essex, belongs the honour of this latest achievement, which included, in addition to 720 of Plain Bob, two 720's in double methods, three 720 's in Treble Bob methods, and $7_{*}^{20}$ of Cambridge Surprise.

We learn that Mr. H. W. Catterwell was invited to be present at the performance as an independent witness and one not belonging to the Gestingthorpe company. Being curious about the possibility of such a peal, Mr. Catterwell arranged with the other umpire, Mr. G. Pannell, that each should hunt a bell through the seven methods. Mr. Catterwell took the fourth and Mr. Pannell the tenor.

The former, in describing the performance, says: We found the bells which we were following to be correctly struck at an average of 36 rounds a minute. We asked Mr. Broyd to call out the bobs and singles, which were ticked down, and found to be exactly as arranged beforehand. The handbells used were of rather more than average size. "The six of them took up nearly three feet, so that readers can imagine what a difficult thing it was when the treble and tenor were together either in front or behind, and hence the much longer time occupied than in the peals tapped by Mr. Segar. While congratulating Mr.

Segar, I hope we are the first in the field with seven different methods. I can fully sympathise with the performer in the physical strain envolved, because my eyes were almost dazzled before the finish.

Five hundred peals for one association is a record of wonderful service rendered, and this valuable service has bsen given by Mr. Keith Hart, who, with a peal at Shoreham on Monday completed his fifth century for the Sussex Association. Speaking without any means, at the moment, of checking the absolute accuracy of the statement, we believe that only three other ringers can claim such a record. Mr. William Pye and Mr. Bert Prewett have each scored 500 for the Middlesex Association we believe, and probably the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, to whose memory a screen is to be dedicated in Drayton Church, on Saturday, February 8th, rang 500 for the Oxford Guild.

From inquiries made, Mr. J. McNillan believes that the St. John's Guild, Portmadoc, can claim to be the first Welsh speaking band to ring a peal. Their performance was one of Grandsire Triples at Portmadoc on Boxing Day, and was recorded in our issue of the 3rd inst. We presume that the bobs and singles were called in English, despite the fact that all the band spoke Welsh. Our knowledge of the Celtic tongue is nil, but while we understand it is a very musical language, the "calls" in a peal of Grandsire would have to be somewhat shorter than the name of that little village in Anglesea, which is spelt with some 69 letters, or else the conductor would have to start his bobs about a lead before they had to be made.

That peal of Cambridge Maximus at Bristol on Saturday week was a really great performance. An attempt was made for it on December 28th, on the occasion of the marriage of the Vicar, when the band rang 2 hrs. 36 mins. It was then arranged for the New Year, but fell through owing to a misunderstanding on the part of two of the band, who failed turn up. But the home coming of the Vicar and his bride gave the company another opportunity, which they used well. The band owe a debt of gratitude to many for being allowed to realise the height of their ambition on the bells of St. Mary Redcliffe. In the first place to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells for practice, and again to the clergy, who have on several occasions allowed them to ring through a service, and, lastly, to the steeplekeeper (Mr. P. W. H. Came) for his assistance on all occasions.

The Fulbeck company have rung $7^{20}$ of No. 5 of the Legitimate Plain Hunt methods, and desire to know if they can name it. The ,method, however, has already been named "Hereward." So far as we are aware the only methods that remain unnamed in that section are Nos. 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21,22 and 27.

The performance of Allen Bailey, of Leiston, who is now only 16 years of age, is worthy of the famous band of brothers. In this issue we record a peal of Bob Major rung on handbells in which this young man took part, and also his first peal of Superlative inside. This latter was rung after only one practice-on the preceding Tuesday, when he rang two courses. This is extremely creditable progress.
A large clock has been erected in Rackenford Church, Devonshire. It is fitted with all the latest improvements,
and generally made to the designs of the late Lord Grimthorpe. The work has been carried out by Messrs. John Smith and Sons, Midland Clock Works, Derby, who made the clocks in the neighbouring churches of Huntsham, Southmolton and others in Devonshire.

## DOUBLE WORCESTER BOB MAJOR.

## To the Editor.

Sir,--Since the publication of the above, it has been pointed out by IKr. Carter that this methed is given in one of the old books (Hubbard's, I think) as Double Yorkshire Court Bob Major, and in his opinion, possessing musical qualities superior to Double Norwich. I have not this book by me for reference, but have compared the method with Yorkshire Conrt, as given in Standard Methods, and find that if the latter is doubled, this is without the least doubt what "Double Worcester " is. It is, thercfore, only fair to withdraw any claim to the design, so $I$ ain publishing the peal under what $I$ think will bo admitted to be its proper title.
Turning to Mr. Law James' letter in last week's issue, I have not "Rules and Decisions" of the C.C., 1904, by me, so cannot refer to what he intimates. However, I have the C.C. "Glossary " of same date, which I find gives the following interesting information on page 8:-

- Lead-(b) The series of rows or changes beginning from and ending with a whole pull right by the Treble in its natural position at the commencement of the row or change, ibus beli having meanwhile occupied every place in the rows or changes the full mumber of times required by any given mode of producing permutations," etc., and this ends with: "The whole series is usually called a Treble Lead." Would this term have met Mr. James' requirements? If so, and wo turn to page 13, we find "Plain-devoid of calls, unaltered by a call, etc."

Again on page 14: "Plain Lead-(a) A lead introduced without a call. (b) The first Treble lead of the Plain Course," etc. Now as to the method as a whole, if we proceed to page 20 we find the term: Double-(a) A descriptive adjective attached to the name of a method in which half the plain course work of the bells in one direction is exactly repeated in the opposite direction to form the other half." Surely the cther C.C. publication does not contradict this! If so, which may we take as correct?

Finally, I do not propose to enter into any argument on this subject, but just give the facts as they appear to me. It is one thing to have "ideas," and another to get other people to accept them. The Stedman argument of some little time ago was convincing proof of this. I feel I can leave this to the judgment of the ringing fraternity in general, and can only add that "The result is the thing!', and whether this method is legitimate or not, it is generally agreed by the band who rang it; that it is far superior, both from a musical and a ringing point of riew, to many of the so-called legitimate methods.-Yours, etc. Smethwich. JOSEPH PIGOTT.

## THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

For the first time in its history, a quarterly meeting of the abovo Guild was held in Birmingham last Saturday, Bishop Ryder's Church being the tower selected. Although so central, the number of members attending was not up to the average; indeed, it was rather disappointing. Albeit, a pleasant meeting resulted. The places represented were Coventry, Birmingham, Tamworth, Polesworth, Rugby, Fenny Compton, King's Norton and Stratford-on-Avon. Tea was partaken of at Treadwell's Restaurant in Corporation Street, and the business meeting followed, Mr. James Gcorge (Master) presiding, sulpported by the hon. treasurer, hon. secretary, and Mr. Cyril F. Johnston, of Croydon. The places proposed for the April meeting were Sutton Coldfield, Solihnill and Erdington, but eventually the two firstnamed were withdrawn in favour of Erdington. Three new members were elected, including Mr. C. F. Johnston as a life member, and a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar of Bishop Ryder's for the use of the towor. The bells-a light ring of eight, tenor 12 cwt . were kept going during the afternoon and ovening in Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Kent Troble Bob aud Superlative Surprise Major. By the kindness of Mr. W. Frank Webb, steeplekeeper of St. John's, Deritend, that tower was also placed at the disposal of mem. bers after tea, and Grandsire, Stedman Triples. Plain Bob and Double Norwich were the methods rung on the bells there.

## BEDFORDSHIRE PRESIDENT'S SILVER WEDDING.

On January 11th, the occasion of the silver wedding of the highly esteemed Rector of Dunstable, the Rev. W. W. C. Baker, who is an ardent campanologist and President of the Beds Association, a quarter peal of Kent Treble Bob Major ( 1312 changes) was rung in 51 mins., $\mathrm{b}_{y}$ : W. Payne 1, G. Healey 2, G. Baldock 3, J. Simms 4, B. Wilson 5, J:. Hunt 6, S. Dobbie 7, A. King (conductor) 8. It was the first quarterpeal in the method by ringers of 2,3 and 4 . The ringers of $1,5,6$ and 8 belong to Luton, and 2, 3, 4 and 7 to the Dunstable band. After tea, at the Marchant Restaurant, the health of the Rev. and Mrs. Baker was drunk with musical honours.

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ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
SACRED WORK IN THE BELFRY.

- $^{-}$district meeting of Ely Archdeaconry branch was held at Fulbourn on Saturday. During the afternoon, touches of Plain Bob, Grandsire, Oxford Bob and Kent Treble Bob were brought round, and a course of Cambridge Surprise was rung for the service, which was fully choral, and for which the Associatign's special form was used for the first time,-The Rector (the Rev. J. V. Durell) gave a very encouraging address.
An excellent tea was provided in the Assembly Room, through the generosity of the Rector, who was present, as was also Mrs. Durell. There were also present Mr. T. R. Dennis (general secretary), Mr. P. Webb (district secretary), Messrs. J. Taylor, W. B. Kempton, F. Kempton, A. Wilkerson (Cambridge), A. E. Austin (Stapletord), T
Hurry (Lawston), F. Handicombe (Melbourn), A. Starr (Ickleton), and the local company.-At the business meeting, which followed, several new members were elected. It was decided to hold the next district meeting at Longstanton.
A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for the use of the bells, also for his kindness in providing ter and for presiding. The Rector, in reply, extended a hearty welcome to the Association. He added that if the people generally knew of the difficulties of the art of ringing they would respect and encourage ehange ringing a great deal more than they had done in the past. He was pleased to say all his ringers were highly respected by the parishioners, and he intended to speak in his sermons the next day about the bells, and to ask all to patronise ringers, as the work done in the beltry was as sacred as the work done in the chancel.

The tower was again visited, and various methods rung, including a good 720 of Kent 'ireble Bob, by: W. B. Kempton 1, 'T. R. Dennis 2, P. Webb 3, J. Taylor 4, A. Wilkerson (conductor) 5, F. Kempton 6.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
A dietrict meeting was held on Saturday at Cheshunt, when the ring of eight bells were at the disposal of the members during the afternoon and evening. Twenty-two members attended. At tea, at the Green Dragon, the business meeting was held, the Rev. T. W. Barker presiding, in the unavoidable absence of the Vicar.

A district meeting was also held at Aldenham, on Saturday, when 24 members assembled. Touches in various methods were rung, including Stedman, Superlative and Bristol. It is pleasant to record the affiliation of the Tring ringers with the Association, and the addition thereby of 12 new members. Change ringing has lately been established at Tring, and if enthusiasm can do anything towards a change ringing band being successful, we shall soon hear of the latest recruits scoring a peal. It was noticeable that youth was greatly in evidence, a fact which was pointed out to the writer by one who brought his son ( 5 ft . $11_{2}^{1} \mathrm{in}$., age 16 ) to bear him company.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
A good number of members attended the quarterly meeting of the Western Branch, at Malvern Link, on Saturday. At the service, the Vicar (the Rer. A. Day) gave a very practical and interesting address. Tea followed, at which 42 members sat down.-The Vicar presided at the subsequent mecting, and gave consent for the quarterly peal to be attempted at Malvern Link, after Easter, R. G. Knowles being chosen as conductor.-Ombersley was selected for the next quarterly meeting, to be held oil June 21st.-The Vicar was proposed, and unanimously elected as an hon member.-The meeting closed with the usual votes of thanks.
Members were mresent from the Cathedral and St. John's, Worcester, Powick, Leigh, Ombersley, Sackley, Hallow, Upton, Madresfield and Malvern Link companies, and during the day touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung.

DEATH OF A GREAT YARMOUTH RINGER.
The death of Edwin Ross Todd, which occurred recently, after a short illness, at his residence, Mill Road, Southtown, at the age of 64 years, has robbed the Great Yarmouth band of a valued member. The funeral service, which took place at Gorleston-on-Sea, was conducted by the Rev. F. E. Cole, curate-in-charge of St. Luke's, while many of the deceased's brother ringers were present, having previously forwarded a wreath in the shape of a bell as a token of respect and sympathy. Muffled peals were rung at both Gorleston and Yarmouth, before and after the service, and his age also was fired on the bells.
The deceased came to Yarmouth in 1900, and it was not long before he was admitted a member of St. Nicholas' belfry. He was one of the earliest members of the Norwich Diocesan Association, and for a time he was Master of the Pettistree company, while a good deal of his peal ringing was done at Wickham Market, Ufford, Harwich, Kelsale and Pettistree. He has taken part in 28 peals, and his first peal on ten bells was one of Grandsire Caters, at Great Yarmouth in March, 1912, conducted by D. Hayward. The deceased took a great interest in change ringing, and will be greatly missed by the Yarmouth company.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.
PROGRESS IN TIIE UXBRIDGE DEANERY BRANCH.
The annual meeting of this branch was held at Congresbury on Saturday week, 25 members being present from Burnham, Congresbury, Cheddar, Winscombe, Weston-super-Mare, Worle, and others. Service was held in the church, and a very able address was given by the
Vicar the Rev Maunsell liyre After tea, in the Schoolroom, the business meeting was presidpd over by the Rev. Maunsell Eyre, in the absence of the chairman.-Two hon. and twenty-nine performing members were elected. Berrow was chosen for the next quarterly meeting, and Banwell for the intermediate meeting. The balance sheet, showing a balance in hand of 4 s . 8cl, was adopted. -In the Secretary's report it was shown that the branch had made steady progress members and twentysir performing members elected.-The Rev. G. H. Lewis was re-elected chairman for the year; and Mr. G. H. Prren, vicechairman, while Mr. J. Harris was re-elected secretary. Mr. G. Chamberlain was re-elected on the general committee.-A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. Mannsell Eyre for use of the bells, arranging the setvice, giving the address, and presiding at the meeting. --The Vicar, in responding, gave the Asscciation a very hearty wel-come.-The choir and organist were also thanked for attending.During the afternoon and evening some capital touches were rung on the fine peal of bells.

ILOHESTER BRANCH.
The annual meeting of the Ilchester branch was held at East Coker on Saturday week, when, although the roads were in a bad state, and tho weather yery unsettled, ringers attended from Ilninster, Odeombe, Kingsdon, Matlock, Stoke-sub-Hamdon, Norton-sub-ITam, and Yeovil. Powell presided at the organ. -The business meeting followed tea at ${ }_{\text {the }}$ New Inn.-The Rev. G. G. Monck was unanimously re-elected chairman for the ensuing year, and Mr. G. H. Head, of Kingsdon, was reelected hon. secretary.
Practice was obtained in Grandsire Triples, Minor and Doubles, in which some of the younger members took part. The bells are a light ring and "go" splendidly. It is hoped in time to get the local men, and also those of West Coker, to join the Association. A local man, late of Norion, called atouch of 360 Minor, although he had not touched it for some time.

BRIDGWATER BRANCH.
On Saturday week, the annual meeting of the Bridgwater branch was held at Bridgwater, and was attended by members from Bridgwater, Huntspill, Chedzoy, Enmore, Wembdon, and Taunton. The service, which was choral, was held at St. Mary's Church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. J. J. Langham), who based a practical address upon the words, "We are labourers together with God."
Tea was provided at the Parish Hall, and was followed by the business meeting, at which Mr. A. O. Major, of Bridgwater, presided.The Searetary presented an encournging report, of the year's work, and
a satisfactory balance sheet. The following officers were clected for the ensuing year: Rev. Samuel (curate of St. Mary's), branch chairman; Mr. A. E. Coles as representative upon the Central Council; and Mr. W. G. Sellick, junr., branch secretary.-Votes of thanks were accorded the Rev. J. J. Langham, who was unable to attend the meeting, for his excellent address and the use of the bells, and to the organist and choir for their services.

After the meeting, the belfry was again visited, when various methods kept the bells rolling for the remainder of the evening.

GILLINGHAM BELLS RESTORED.
After being silent for nearly two years, the bells of the Old Parish Church have recently been restored and rededicated. A special service was held, which was attended by the Mayor and Corporation in state, accompanied by the members of the Ancient Court Leet, Education
Committee, Corporation Officials, Firemen, Policemen, and the Old Committee, Corporation Officials, Firemen, Policemen, and the Brompton Church Lads' Brigade. The church was filled to overflowing, and a most beautiful service was held, conductedl by the Vicar (the Rev. Canon W. H. Robins, D.D.), and his curates, the Revs. II. K. Woodward and F. H. Heyworth. After the processional hymn, "Now thank we all our God," the senior curate read the dedicatory prayers at the belfry door', and this was followed by the singing of the National Anthem.-Canon Denham, of Rochoster Cathedral, preached a most eloquent sermon on the message of bells, taking for his text: "He that hath ears to hear, let him hear" (St. Luke xiv, 35).
The bells were rung before and after the service. They are a peal of eight, the two trebles and the seventh having been recast, and the others quarter-turned and retuned, with new bearings and fittings throughout. They have been rehung in a new iron frame, in place of the old wooden one. The work has been most ably carricd out by Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich, and the ringing and tone of the bella speaks volumes for the satisfactory manner in which he has discharged the duties entrusted to hím.
ACTON.-At St. Mary's Church, on Jan, 22nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins. : A. E. Smith 1, E. J. Ridler (conductor) 2, W. Phillips 3, H. W. Cotton 4, R. Holloway 5, J. W. Fruin 6, J. R.
Mackman 7, W. E. Holloway 8. First quarter-peal by cntirely local Mackman 7, W. E. Holloway 8. First quarter-peal by entirely loeal for Canada in a few days.

## ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.

## ANOTHEI PROSIPEROUS YEAR.

The annual festival of the Romney Marsh and District Guild was held at Appledor' $\theta$ on Saturday week, and the proceedings added another triumph in the guild's history, for the gathering was absolutely successful. There, however, was not much ringing, because the programme was arranged to conclude with an evening of harmony. Grandsire Doubles and Triples were rung previous to the service, which was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. A. O. Scutt), assisted by the curate (the Rev. Mr. Wright), and the appropriate hymns, "Ye servants of the Lord " and "Fight the good fight," were lustily sung, Miss Avery kindly presiding at the organ.
At six o'clock the members adjourned to the Swan Hotel, where an excollent meat tea was served by Ilost Grant.-The President (the Rev. A. O. Scutt) presided, and the Master (Mr. G. Billenness) occupied the vice-chair. After tea several more members arrived, and the company numbered twenty-five. The churches represented were: Ashford, New Romney, Rolvenden, Ryc, Stone-in-Oxney, Tenterden, and the local tower.
The balance sheet showed a balance of $£ 115 \mathrm{~s}$. 3 d ., and the Hon. Secretary (IIr. G. J. Youngs) remarked that the membership had been steadily increasing during recent ycars.
The Master presented the annual report, which stated that the work of the past year in the zone of the guild could be looked back upon with a great amount of satisfaction, and gave encouragement to all the memoers to enter into the present year with even more vigour and enthusiasm than they had hitherto displayed in matters apportaining to campanology. Their members showed an increase on the previous year, the total membership being forty-two, and there seemed to be every prospect of that figure being maintained. Twelve meetings and an outing had been held during the year. Never in the annals of the guild had there been so many meetings held in one year before. The attendance had somewhat varied, but ont the whole, had come up to the expectations of the officials, and useful and instructive practices had attended the labours of the members. Peal ringing showed a very appreciable adrance. Six peals had been accomplished, and now that they had an improvement in that direction, it augured well for the future. It rested with the members to endeavour not only to keep up the reputation they had established, but to still further increase the number of peals during the ensuing year. As regards the restoration of rings of bells, although the bellhangers had not been at work in the guild's district, it was very gratifying to know that contracts had been accepted for the rehanging of Warehorne and Sundhurst, while at Northiam the restoration fund was gradually increasing. Last year the guild started with $£ 28 \mathrm{~s}$. 4 d . in hand, and the amount in hand at the commencement of this year was $£ 115 \mathrm{~s}$. 3d. Their cxpenses had been greater, and if they had not spent more than they did in 1911, their balance would have totalled about $£ 356$. Cordial thanks were due to the clergy who had kindly granted them permission to assemble at their respective churches, and their hope to reeive a continuation of that kindness during the current year.
Mr. C. Tribe. in maring the adoption of the balance sheet and report, said he was pleased to see such a satisfactory balance in hand. He hoped in the coming year the membership would still further increase, and that in the summer another outing would take place. Mr. GJohnson scoonded, and the balance sheet and report were unanimonsly adonted. with applause.
The Master proposed that the Rer. A. O. Scutt be asked to again Mr A accept the presidency.
Mr. A. Johnson seconded, and t
ppointed amid vociferous applauce.
In response, the Chairman said a society like the Romney Marsh and District Guild was not only benefiting its members, but serving a useful purpose in the various parishes within its radius. He expressed the satisfaction of the Appledore ringers that the annual meeting of the Guild was held there, and added that he regretted he knew nothing of change ringing, and but little of the archæology of bells. II had been given to understand that the bells at St. Mary's, Oxford. had rhymes, set to music, engraved on them, and one of those rhymes reforred to the frequent porspirations of bell ringers (laughter).
Mr. C. Tribe, in moving the re-election of Mr. Billenness as Master, onsidered that during recent years the business of the guild had been conducted in a proper businesslike manner, and it was, therefore, in the interests of the society that the offices should remain in the same hands.-Mr. H. S. IIumphery seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.-Mr. Billenness, in responding, spoke of the pleasant term of office he had enjoyed, and of the excellent work done by C. W. Player sary - In proposing the re-election of Mr. Youngs, Mr. such a Player said it was through his efforts that the guild was in "as carricd amid applause, and duly acknowledged.
The following committee were clected, on the motion of Mr. A. Gohnson, seconded by Mr. G. Johnson: Messrs. G. Tribe (Tenderden), (Ashord), A. Ashenden (Hawkhurst) A. Kay (Ashford), R. Dunster Mshford), A. Ashenden (Hawkhurst), and G. Kenward (Iden).
suild. Arthur Meller (Stonc-in-Oxney) was elected a member of the

The February meeting will be held at Stonc-in-Oxney on the fourth Saturday in the month.
The question of attempting peals was discussed.-On the recommendation of Mr. A. Johnson, which was supported by Mr. H. S. Humphery, it was decided to attempt two peals of Grandsire Triples, one ai New Romney, and the other at Appledore.
Mr. C. Tribe moved a vote of thanks to the president for presiding; for the use of the bells, and for the service. He referred to the great courtesy and consideration received from the Vicar, and, continuing, said that tneir guild had been the subject of conversation at a committee rnecting of the Kent Association held at Maidstone. At that meeting the Hon. Secretary of the Association (the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore) said according to reports the Romney Marsh Guild was doing good work. He advised the same kind of thing for other parts of the Association. It was open to any members to amalgamate as they were in Romney Marsh and District, and a guild like the Romney Marsh must do good. It was a great help to the Association in that part of their territory. Those were the Rev. Helmore's words, and he thought the members would like to know what the reverend gentleman had said of their society.
Mr. A. Allen seconded the motion, which was carried with hearty applause.
The President, in acknowledgment, again said how pleased he was to assist the guild in any possible way.

This concluded the business, and the president vacated the chair in favour of the Master. A musical programme followed, songs being rendered by Messrs. R. H. Phillips, C. Tribe, B. Pilcher, H. Hyder, G. J. Youngs, D. Johnson, C. Grant, and R. Kennett; recitation by Mr. H. Balcombe, and courses of Grandsire Triples (double-handed) rung on handbells by Messrs. C. Tribe, H S. Humphery, C. W. Player, G. Johnson and G. Billenness. Mr. R. Kennett accompanied the vocalists, and thanks were accorded him for his services.

## FRESSINGFIELD ANNIVERSARY

## A SUFFOLK CELEBRATION.

Fressingfield, a large and scattered parish and village in the centre of a correspondingly large agricultural district of Suffolk, $4 \frac{1}{2}$ miles from the nearest railwav station on a branch line, and containing about 1,000 souls, celebrated its ringing anniversary recently. It is impossible adequately to give town-bred readers anything but a bare idea of what an "anniversary" of this kind means, but its principal feature is a time-honoured annual meal partaken of by the ringers of Fressingfield, as early in the new year as convenient, and at which the Vicar takes the chair, and one of the wardens the vice. Friends and neighbours are invited, neighbouring bands of ringers are welcomed, individual vingers from important local centres are to be found there-thus north and south meet at the Fressingfield anniversary in January, bidding defiance to the usual inclement weather at this period. And then the ringing; well, it is an interesting mixture of good and indifferent. A peal may be attempted early in the day, according to circumstances, and miscellaneous touches then intervene till the dinner, at 2 p.m. This all-important function is held at the ancient and interesting inn, the Fox and Goose, abutting on to the churchyard, and generally supposed to have been built in the early part of the 17th century, and the income of which is claimed for ecclesiastical and charitable purposes. A short adjournment is afterwards made for further ringing, and then all meet again for the "social.". The exigencies of travelling made it impossible for me to stay to this, but the reverend chairman explained it to me as consisting of "speeches, interspersed with music and refreshment." Your readers, as well as myself, can withont much difficulty picture the scene. A large upper room with low ceiling, some 40 ringers and friends assembled intent upon one purpose and that only, namely, to fully enjoy themselves for the remainder of the day
Now for a few dry facts connected with the day. A peal of Stedman Triples was attempted by a band, each member of which has probably called several peals, but as is so often the case, it came to grief just past the half-way, the conductor (a native of Fressingfield, and now residing at Ipswich) being caught napping at $12-13$. He, however, being one who has encleared himself to the Exercise by his many good qualities and abilities, was freely forgiven, particularly when later in the day he offered his explanation. Our conductor's birth-place was none other than the noted "Fox and Goose," and during the progress of the peal, as he related, the weird sensations he experienced when spending the night there alone, as a youth, came back to his mind, and by the time his mental balance had been recorered, the 7th had been in and out quick.

At the dinner the chair was taken by the Rev. H. Raren-Hart, Vicar (who succeeded his father, Canon Raven, the author), one of the most genial of parsons, proud of his church and its bells and ringers. On his right was Miss R. Stanford, a most promising lady ringer, of Halesworth, who had braved the elements for the occasion. To my mind, it is a pleasing feature that gatherings of this kind are now frequently graced by at least one lady member of the Exercise, and is a good augury for the cause generally. Others present included Messis. J. Motts (Ipswich), J. Souter (Diss), E. F. Poppy, G. Day (Eye), J. Nevard (Great Rentley), F. Lambert, J. O'Neill, J. Howard and A. II. Took (Halesworth), and many others.-H.B.

## NOTICES.

ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP GUILD.-The next meeting of the above Guild will be held at Malins I.ee on Saturday, February Ist, 19 13. Business meeting at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.-H. B. Beckwith, Honorary Secretary, Ridgemount, Shrewsbury.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern District.A meeting will be held at Great Baddow on Saturday, February ist, 1913. Bells at 4. Tea and meeting at King's Head 5.30 , 8 d . each. Kindly send notice for tea not later than Wednesday, the 29th inst. - Henry F. Cooper, District Secretary, County Offices, Chelmsford.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Ordsall on Saturday, February ist. Tower open 2 p.m. to 9. Retford Station seven minutes' walk from church. Tea at 5 p.m., is. per head. A good attendance is desired.-H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary, io3, Gateford Road, Worksop.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will take place at St. Peter's, Croydon, on Saturday, February ist. Parish Church bells (8) open at 2.30, St. Peter's (io) at 3.3 . Service at St. Peter's at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.45 at St. Peter's Hall. Business meeting after. - Cyril F. Johnston, Honorary Secretary, Bell Foundry, Croydon.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Northern District.-A meeting will be held at Baldock on Saturday, February ist. Tea and meeting at the White Lion at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will those intending to be present kindly inform Mr. J. Cawdell, White Horse Street, before January 3oth?-B. H. T. Drake, District Secretary.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Eastern Counties Branch.-The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Gedney on Saturday, February ist, 1913. Dinner will be provided in the Church End Schoolroom at one o'clock, tickets 2s. 3d. Short service in the church at 3.30. Miss Banks has kindly invited the members to tea.-G. Ladd, Honorary Secretary.

DURHAM AND NIEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.Eastern District.-A practice meeting will be held at Bishopwearmouth on Saturday, February ist, 4 to 7 p.m. All ringers welcome.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Alresford and Bishop Sutton on Saturday, February ist. Bells of both towers available from 2.30. Tea in Church Room at $5 \cdot 30$. Old Alresford bells not available. Winchester Cathedral tower will be open from 7.30 to 9 p.m. -James IV. Elkins, District Secretary

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Glastonbury Deanery Branch.-A meeting will be held at Wells on Saturday, February ist. St. Cuthbert's bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Cathedral (io) from 5 p.m. Service at St. Cuthbert's Church at 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers invited.-W. Farley, Honorary Secretary, Mill Street, Wells.
LADIES' GUILD.-Southern District.-A meeting will be held at St. Michael's Church, Basingstoke, by kind permission of the Vicar on Saturday, February ist. Bells available from $3 \cdot 30$. Tea at 5 p.m. Gentlemen are cordially invited. Will those intending to be present kindly notify Miss E. Belcher, Mereside, Fleet, Hants, before January 29 th.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-The annual general meeting will be held at Boyn Hill, Maidenhead, Berks, on Saturday, February ist. Service, with sermon, by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, at 4.15 ; tea in the schoolroom at 5 o'clock; business meeting at 6 . Bells ready at 2 o'clock. Tea will be provided for any member who sends in his name before January 2gth to R. Coles, Honorary Secretary, Snaefell, Priory Road, High Wycombe.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Mectings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on Ficbruary $4^{\text {th }}$ and 18 th; St. Magaus, Lower Thames Street, on the 13th and 27th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the $4^{\text {th } ~ ; ~ S t . ~ M i c h a e l ' s, ~ C o r n h i l l, ~}$ on the 18th ; Southwark Cathedral, on the 25 th. Also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturday evenings. St. Magnus 7 .30, the others 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Yorktown District.-Quarterly meeting at Walton on Saturday, February 8th, commencing at 4 p.m. Tea in Church Hall at 5.30 . All ringers welcome-G. 13 . Edser, Honorary Secretary, izo, Gipsy Road, West Norrood.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATIO: (late the St. James' Society).-The annual general meeting and election of officers will take place on February 8th. The towers of St. Sepulchre's and St. Andrew's, Holborn, E.C., will be open from 4 to $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 6.30 at the King of Denmark, 7 d. per head, business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.-F. J. Hardy, Honorary General Secretary, 34, Guildford hoad, South Lambeth, S.IV.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.-The next meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Walkden, on Saturday, February 8th, at 5 o'clock. Meeting at 7 .G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch.-A meeting will be held at West Derby on Saturday, February 8th. Bells ready at 5.30.-Walter Hughes, Branch Secretary.
LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. - The next meeting (nomination) will be held at Armley on February 8th. Peal attempt at 2.30. Business meeting at the White Horse Hotel at 7.30.-Frank R. Cundale, Secretary, 24, Recreation View, Holbeck, Leeds.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch.-The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Milnrow Parish Church on Saturday, February 8th, 1913. Bells ready at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-V. H. Bastow, Branch Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - A branch meeting will be held at Padiham on Saturday, February isth, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - The next quarterly meeting and 6 -bell contest will be held at Mytholmroyd on Saturday, February I5th, 1913. Bells available from 3 p.m. Ballot for order of ringing at 2.45 p.m. in the schoolroom. Tea will be provided at 6 d . cach for those who order from me by February ioth.-F. Salmons, Sceretary, 8, Salisbury Place, Halifax.

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I man authorised by tice Rector and Wandens to kay how pleased they are with the reeult. In the opinion of those well qualified to fidge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdone. Fours faithfally, F. T. BFOK,

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## LONG STANTON'S MISFORTUNE.

The misfortune which has befallen the village of Long Stanton, in Cambridgeshire, can seldom, if ever, have been the lot of a rural parish. They have only just had their bells increased from three to eight, and now, while a very considerable sum is still outstanding on the restoration, the ancient tenor has cracked in such a way as to render it useless, and the new peal has been spoilt until the bell can be recast. Such a happening would be enough to dishearten the authorities of any church, but in Long Stanton the circumstances are specially unfortunate. The recent increase of the bells to an octave was only carried out in the face of all kinds of discouragement and opposition. But from all this opposition the Vicar of Long Stanton and his co-workers emerged triumphantly, and the scheme was carried through, although it remains encumbered with a debt of $£ 130$, and this in a small village where the sympathy of one or two who might help has, to all appearances, been permanently alienated. The Vicar, himself an enthusiastic ringer-no Vicar but a ringer would, we believe, have had the courage and temerity to go on with his scheme in the face of the opposition offered-has got together and taught a band of over a dozen young ringers, who were making excellent progress. And now, when the restoration, except for the payment, seemed complete, the tenor bell has cracked, and they are confronted with an additional outlay of $£ 35$ at a time when resources are completely drained. In view of the debt on the restoration they dare not recast the tenor without first getting the money to pay for the work.

Under these circumstances the Rev. H. B. Woolley, the Vicar, makes an urgent appeal to ringers for help, and surely no appeal was ever more deserving of support. An effort was being made at much sacrifice: ind in the face of much opposition to plant the Art in a new corner, and now comes an unfortunate set-back which, unless it can be surmounted, will not only put the bells out of action for an indefinite period, but probably leave the debt on the original restoration fund as an incubus for a long while to come, for it may prove difficult to raise subscriptions to pay for a dumb peal of bells. We commend the appeal therefore to our readers. The smallest donations, we are sure, will be thankfully received by Mr. Woolley, at Long Stanton Vicarage, and we hope to see a ready and substantial responsc. After all, $£ 35$ is not much to raise among the ringers of England. The passing of the hat round the belfries on a Sunday would mean but a small effort individually, but collectively it would have a big result. We ask ringers-and we feel sure we shall not ask in vain-to put their shoulders to the wheel and get their secretaries to send along their mites to the Vicar.

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, February 1, 1913, in Four Hours and Scven Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of St. Saviodr, Southwark,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXINUS, 5088 GHANGES;
Tenor 50 cwt. o qr. 20 lb ., in B.
William J. Nudds... ...Treble| John H. Cheesman... ... 7
George R. Pye ... ... 2 Reuben Sanders ... ... 8
*John S. Goldsmith ... 3 *Keith Hart ...... Isaac G. Shade ... ... 4 Alfred W. Grimes ... io Bertram Prewett ... ... 5 Ernest Pye ... ... ... if *Charles T. Coles... ... 6 William Pye ......

Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by William Pye.

* First peal of Maximus. Rung as a birthday compliment $t$ Alfred W. Grimes.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

## REIGATE

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
(Southern Branch.)
On Monday, Jumury 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCE8;
Henry John Dewey ...Tyeble *William Bashford... ... 6
Arthur Holman ... ... 2 Henry F. Elvins ... ... 7 Frederick Bashford ... 3 Thomas Sparks ... ... 8 Albert Harman ... ... 4 Henry A. Hoad ... ... 9 Oscar Gilbey ... ... ... 5 George F. Hoad ... ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by George F. Hoad.

* First peal on ten bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

HIGH WYCOMBE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(East Berks and South Bucks Branch.) On Wednesday, Janary 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty Minube, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATER8, 5019 CHANCES; Tenor 32 cwt., in C sharp.
Fred Hayes ... ... ...Treble John Gransbury ... ... 6
John C. Truss ... ... ... 2 "John Evans ... ... ... 7 William H. Fussell ... 3 James W. Wilkins... ... 8 Richard Buckland ... ... 4 Benjamin Page ... ... 9 George F. Williams ... 5 Iralph Coles ... ... ...Teror

Composed by Fred Hayes, and Conducted by John Evans.

* First peal of Caters as conductor. Rung to celebrate the coming-of-age of Miss A. E. Evans, second daughter of the conductor.


## LONDON

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Saturday, February 1, 1913 in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Dunstan, Stepney, E.,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;
Tenor 3I cwt., in D.


Henry Springall ... ...Treble William Tanner Edinin Gibbs ... ... ... 3 Herbert Langdon ... ... 4 James Scholes

## Composed by J. H. Barrett, and Conducted by H. Springall.

 64 th year a few days previous. It is 23 years since $W$. Tanner rang a peal.
## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LEOMINSTER.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Suturday, January 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES; 5040 CHANGES;

| Thurstans' | Fodr-Part. | Tenor 22 cwt . |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Francis S. Wilson | ...Treble | Charles L. Sad |  | $\cdots 5$ |
| J. R. Newman ... | 2 | William Short |  | 6 |
| Gordon Checkitts | 3 | John Clark |  | 7 |
| J. H. Jones | .. ... 4 | W. H. Williams | .. | .Tenor | Conducted by W. Short.

G. Chechitts and J. H. Jones were elected members of the Hereford Guild previous to starting. This, the first peal of Stedman Triples on the bells, was rung as a compliment to Mr. George J. Abell, thrice Mayor of this Borough.

## MANCHESTER.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Jantary 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John, Deansgate,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Harry Chapman...

| Treble |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | 2 |  |

William Washbrook ... 2 Walter Brown... $. . . \quad . . \quad 3 \quad$ Thomas Bottrill... Jas. W. Washbrook, Senr. 4 Richard Newton ... ... Tenor Composed and Conducted by James W. Washbroor, Senr.

CONGLETON, CHESHIRE.
THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, January 25, 1973, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 GHANGES;
Tenor $14 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.
George Turner ... ...Treble Walter R. Washbrook ... 5 George A. Smith ... ... 2 Thomas Bottrill ... ... 6 Harry Washbrook... $\ldots . .3$ Harry Chapman $\quad . .$. James W. Washbrook ... 4 James W. Washbroor, Senr. Tenor Composed and Conducted by James W. Washbroor, Senr.
This is the first peal of Superlative on the bells.

SILVERDALE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, January 26, 1913, in Tivo Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Loke,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor $9 \frac{7}{2}$ cwt.

| Frederick Smith | $\ldots$ | .. Tyeble | James W. Washbrook, Sent. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Harry Washbrook | $\ldots$ | 2 | Walter R. Washbrook ... | 6 |  |
| George A. Smith | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Thomas Bottrill .... ... | 7 | | George A. Smith | .. | $\cdots$ | 3 | Thomas Bottrill | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| James W. Washbrook | $\cdots$ | 4 | 7 |  |  |
| Harry Chapman | ... | ... Tenor |  |  |  | Composed and Conducted by James W. Washbrook, Senr. First peal in the method on the bells.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, January 26, 1913, in Three Hou's,
At the Church of St. Remigius,

Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by G. H. Cross.

SUNBURY, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, January 27, 1913, in Two Hours aud Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGE ;
Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor I4䍃 cwt.
John H. B. Hesse ... ...Tyeble Bertram Prewett ... ... 5
John Howes ... ... ... 2 William H. Fossell ... 6
Frederick G. Woodiss ... 3 William Shepherd..... .7

Conducted by Bertram Prewett.
PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Janaary 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Heywood's Variation. Tenor 24 cwt.
William Ireland ... ...Tveble Thomas Ford, Junr. ... 5
George Archer ... ... ... 2 Ernest F. Poppy ... ... 6
Clement More ... ... ... 3 John Souter ... ... ... 7
William Salter ... ... 4 John Smith ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by J. Souter.

## BRISTOL

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. STEPHEN'S GUILD.
On Tuesday, January 28, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Chorch of St. Stephen,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 21 cwt., in $E$.

| George Tomins | $\ldots$ | ... Treble | William Knight | $\ldots$ | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Harry Brownjohn... | $\ldots$ | 2 | George Condick, Junr.... | 6 |  |  | Richard Clark ... ... 3 John A. Burford ... ... 7 Raymond John Wilkins 4 Wilelam A. Cave ... .... Tenor Composed by Frank Bennett, and Conducted by William A. Cave.

G. Tomkin's first peal of Major. G. Condick's first peal of London. R. J. Wilkin's I 5oth peal. W. A. Cave's Iooth peal.

## BADSEY, WORCESTERSHIRE,

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(Southern Branch.)
On Wednesday, January 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Miuutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHAMGES;

> Taylor's Six-Part.

Edwin Knight ... ... ...Tyeble
Frank Cook ... ... ... 2 AUgustine Dore $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ James Addis... William Sparrow ... ... + Allen Knight ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Frank Cook.

## NORTHAMPTON.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(The All Saints' Society.)
On Thursday, Jomuary 30, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tenor 23 cwt., in E flat.

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## STROUD, GLOUCESTER.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (C.E.M.S. Peal.)

On Thursday, January 30, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's One-Part. Tenor 2 I cwt.
*Robert W. Watts... ...Treble William Hale... ... ... 2 William Hastings... ... 3 Harry Smith

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\ddot{\text { Conducted by }}
$$

* First peal. The ringers of the 2nd, 5 th, and tenor are from Painswich, the rest from Stroud.


## LONDON

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, January 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas, Deptford, S.E.,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAMCES;

Holi's Original.
William Weatherstone...Tyeble
Thomas G. Deal
... ... 2 Isabc Geo. Shade ... ... 3 Fredk. Wm. Richardson... 4

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. 2 lb . Thos. Henry Hawkins... 5 Joseph Law ... ... ... 6 George Henry Daynes 7 Albert James Ford ...Tenor Conducted by Frederick William Richardson.
Rung, after meeting short for Stedman, as a compliment to the Vicar (the Rev. Arthur Hart) on his completing eleven years' ministry in Deptford.

## EASTBOURNE.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, Ianuary 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At Christ Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Matthews' Twelve-Part Frederick Waymark... ...Treble Ernest Gower $\begin{array}{lll}\cdots & \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & \cdots & 3\end{array}$ benjamin Hobbs.. E … Conducted George H. Hows

Tenor $8 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt., in $A$.
Edward W. Bray ... ... 5 Edward J. Mallard ... § Joseph Sharp ... ... ... 7 Herbert Smith ... ...Tohor oserb Sharp.
This is E. Mallard's first peal with an inside bell, and was rung at
the first attempt.

OXHEY, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minates, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES; Tenor 8 cwt. I qr. 15 lbs.
Willie Roughion ... ...Treble *E. Maurice Atkins $_{\text {Thin }}$... 5 Thomas L. Simmons... ... 2 | William Hodgetts... ... 6 Frank T. Martin ... ... 3 | Hubert Eden ... ... ... 7 George N. Price ... ... 4 Madrice F. R. Hibbert... Tenor Composed by C. H. Hattersley, and Conducted by Hubert Eden.

* First peal in the method. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. C. N. Leman (one of the local company), which took place at stoke Poges on the above date.

BLOCKLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Soutilern Branch.) ©n Saturday, February 7, 1913, in Two Houys and Forty-scvon Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANEES;

Tenor r6 cwt.

| EDWIn Knight | ...Treble | Lodie Sparrow | $\cdots$ | ... 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frank Cook... | 2 | Charles Knight | . | 6 |
| Augestine Dore | 3 | James Addis ... | , | 7 |
| William Sparrow |  | Allen Knight.. | ... | Tenor |

The band wish to thank the Rev. Canon Houghton for the use of the bells and for entertaining them at the Bell Inn after the peal. The ringer of the treble is in his 7oth year. All the above are market sardeners.

WOKINGHAM, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (Sonning Deanery Branch.)
On Saturday, February 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Chorch of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

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\text { Hollis' Five-Part. Tenor ig } \frac{1}{2} \text { cwt. }
$$ Albert Hill ... ... ...Tyeble

## *Albert Pierce...

... ... 2
... ... 3
Conducted by
Conducted by
Joseph White
ank Lush
Frank Lush
John Rance
.. 5

4 Willeorge Green... ... ... Teno

* First peal in the method with a bob bell. Rung in honour of the birth of a son to the conductor; also as a birthday compliment to the Rector, whom the ringers wish to thank for the use of the bells and for kindly altering the hour of evensong.

WHITTLE-LE-WOODS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATIUN.
(Preston Branch.)
On Saturday, Februdry 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minules,
At the Parish Сhurch,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 2 I cwt. 1 qr. 23 lbs.
John Astley ... ... ...Treble Frederick G. Bradley... 5
Thomas Beaver $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ Arthur Hartley ... ... Hermon Lancaster ... ... 3 Reginald L. Ince ... ... 7 Arnold A. Blackwell 7

Composed by B. Annable, and Conducted by Edward Gent.
First peal for all the band, with the exception of the ringer of the 7 th, and his first in the method. First peal of Bob Major on the bells. The ringer of the treble was elected a member previous to starting, and this was his first attempt.

PONTEFRACT, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Tenor $12 \frac{1}{f} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Frederick Moody
...Treble $\mid$ Herbert Ludkin
Arthor Walker ..Treble Mark Tate ... ...
... 3 Arthur Gill ... $\qquad$ .. 5 homas Smith ... ... ... 7 Composed by J. J. Parker, and Conducted by Arthur Walker.
Rung as a wedding compliment to the ringer of the 6 th.

## SHIFNAL, SALOP.

On Saturdoy, February 1. 1913, in Two Hours and Fifby-eight Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
 conductor.

WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minules, At the Church of St. Mark,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Carter's No. io.
Tenor 2I cwt.
Fred Derbyshire ... ...Treule
Artnur Ridyard ... ... 2
George Way ... ... ... 3
*Joseph H. Ridyard, Junr. 4
Conducted by William Grunwell
Conducted by James H. Ridyard.

* First peal on a bob bell. Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Emma Hopwood to Mr. John T. Bilcliff, the band wishing them much happiness.


## ILKLEY, YORKSHIRE

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 1, 1913, in Theee Hours,
At the Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt .

| Charles Ralph | ...Treble | $\dagger$ James W. Birkin |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George Thornton | 2 | William D. Clough |
| *John B. Jackson |  | James Horner... ... ... 7 |
| William B. Smi |  | William E. H. Ash ...Ten | Composed by J. $\Lambda$. Trollope, and Conducted by William B. Smith.

* 5oth peal. $\dagger$ First peal in a Major method. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. D. Clough. After the peal the band were kindly entertained to a splendid repast by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Birkin, and the ringers take this opportunity of again thanking them for their hospitality.

BIRCH-IN-RUSHOLME.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Febraary 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minates, At ihe Church of St. James,

## a peal of stedman triples, 5040 chances;

Harry Chapman ... ...Treble Frederick Page ... ... 5 Wilfrid J. Moss $\quad . .$. James W. Washbrook $\cdots \cdots \begin{array}{lllllll} & \cdots & \text { Richard Newton } & . . . & . . . & 7\end{array}$ Thomas Bottrill ... ... 4 | Robert Davies... ... .... Tenor Composed and Conducted by James W. Washbrook.

* First peal in the method. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Rector for the use of the bells, and also Mr. Ryder for having everything ready.


## KELSALE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Februay 1, 1913, in Thuce Hours and Two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Allen F. Bailey ... ...Treble Frederick W. Bailey ... 5 Ernest S. Bialey... Charles F. Bailey ... ... 3 James M. Bailey ... ... 7 Edgar H. Bailey ... ... 4 George Hardy... ... ... Tenor Composed by F. Robinson, and
Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.
The conductor has now called a peal on every bell in the above tower.

SKELTON-IN-CLEVELAND.
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Satwrday, February 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Forty-two Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL DF bOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES; Tenor 23 cwt.

| William | Holmes | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Treble | John Appleton | .. | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Letty | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Thomas Metcalfe ... | .. | 6 | 6 |

*Alfred Laing ......
Thomas Beckwith ... ... 4 4 ${ }^{\text {Robert Gowland }} . .$.
Composed by Henry Hubbard, and
Conducted by William Holmes.

* First peal. First peal as conductor. First peal in the method by all the band except the ringer of the 5th, and rung as a 2 Ist birthday compliment to the conductor.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.
TIIE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Febrtary 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Churci of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor I7 cwt.

james L. Wright ... ... 4 *Alfred C. Wright ...Tenor Composed by F. HOPGOOD, and Conducted by Alfred C. Wright.
*First peal in the method and first peal as conductor.

## CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, February 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 GHANGES;

Oliver Sippetts...
Albert Harman $\quad . .$.
Albert Mitchell ... ... 4 Frederick W. Rice ...Tenoy Composed by F. Dench, and Composed by F. W. Rice.

* First peal in the method; also the conductor's 200th peal.

POOLE, DORSETSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, February 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Holt's Ten-Part.

Tenor ig cwt. I qr. 20 lbs.
*Ernest Bloom ... ... ...Tieble Frederick S. Case... ... 5
*Arthor James ......
*Charles A. Line ... ... 3 Charles W. Goodenough 7
*Harold Baverstock $\cdots{ }^{-\cdots} 4$ Charles W. Froud ...Tenot Conducted by Charles W. Goodenodgh.

* First peal. Quarterly peal of the Association. Rung on F. W. Townsend's birthday.


## SIX $\mathcal{B}^{3}$ FIVE BELL PEALS.

LLANDEFEILOG-FACH, BRECON. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, January 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF CRANBSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Being 42 Six-Scores. Tenor 9 cwt.

$\begin{array}{llllllllll}\text { George Giblin ... } & \ldots & \ldots . \text { Tveble } & \text { John Hammond } & \ldots & . . & 4 \\ \text { Samoel Brooks ... } & \ldots & \ldots & 2 & \text { Charles Powell } & \ldots & . . & 5\end{array}$ Albert Matthews ... Conducted by John Hammond.
First peal on the bells, which have recently been rehung with new fittings by Messrs. James Barwel1, Ltd., Birmingham. The peal was rung as a compliment to F. D. Dickinson, Llandefeilog House, through whose energy and perseverance the bells have been restored.

## CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.

On Monday, January 27, 1973, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minulis, At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES ;
Being 42 Six-Scores.
Tenor 121 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

| *Charles Warrell | ... | ... Tveble | "Fred Breakwell ... | ... | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George Popnell | $\ldots$ | .. | 3 | John Barber, Senr. | .. | Charles Sheriff... ... ...Tenor Conducted by John Barber, Senr.

* First peal.


## SHROPHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursiay, January 30, 1913, in Tiwo Hours and Fifty-thrce Min:tes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 20 Six-Scores of Grandsire, 12 . of Plain Bob and io of Canterbury Pleasure. Tenor II $\frac{7}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Ralpe Allen ... ... ...Tyeble Edgar Hunt ... ... ... 3 $\begin{array}{lllllllllll}\text { Wilfred Allen... } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 2 & \text { Fred Shingfield } & . . . & \cdots & \ldots & +\end{array}$ Herbert H. Mason ... Tenor Conducted by Herbert H. Mason.
This peal was rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Mr. Fairman J. Mann, of the Manor House, a former churchwarden, and for 48 years a supporter of the local company.

## BELCHAMP WALTER, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary ihe Virgin,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

## Tenor I2 cwt., in A.

Harry Wright ... ... ...Treble Harry W. Catterwell 4 Albert Catterwell...$\quad 2$ Olave E. Broyd...$\quad$... 5 George Pannell ... ... 3 Walter Nice ... ... . Tenor Conducted by Olave E. Broyd.
First peal and first attempt by Harry Wright, who was elected a member before starting. He rang his first 720 only three weeks previously. The peal was rung on the back six.

## HUSBORNE CRAWLEY.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Consisting of two 720's each of Woodbine, and Oxford Treble Bob and three of Kent Treble Bob.
Mortimer Matthews ...Treble
Cyril Herbert ... ... ... 2 Ernest Herbert ... ... 5 Edmund Hobbs ......$\quad$... 3 Horace Smith...... Conducted by Horace Smith.
Quichest peal on the bells.

## DESFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(Leicester Branch.)
On Saturday, February 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGE8;

In seven methods, viz. : Double Court, Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury, Grandsire and Plain Bob Minor. Tenor iot cwt.
Miss Lilian A. Willson Treble $\mid$ Albert Mason...... Edward Jackson ... ... 2 T. Henry Hardy ... ... 5 Edgar Vallance $\ldots . . . .3 .3$ William Willson... Conducted by William Willson.
First peal on the bells, and first attempt at seven methods by all except $E$. Vallance and the conductor. Rung as a wedding tribute to the Rector. (the Rev. D. Thomas) and his bride (nee Mdlle. A. A. Frankè).

## HADLEY. <br> THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one 720 of Canterbury Pleasure, and two 720 's each of Oxford Bob, College Single and Plain Bob. Tenor II cwt. \begin{tabular}{llll|ll}
George Webb \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$. Tveble \& William Webb \&... <br>
George M. Kilby \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& 2 \& 4 <br>
Bertram Tubb ... \&... \& $\ldots$ \& 5

 

George M. Kilby \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$. \& 2 \& Bertram Tubb... \& $\ldots$ \&... \& 5 <br>
Frederick Tobb \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& 3 \& Frederick Barker \&... \&... \& Tenor
\end{tabular} Frederick Tobb $\quad$ Conducted by Frederick Barker.

First peal of Minor since the bells have been overhauled by Messrs. John Warner \& Sons. The ringers of the treble, third, fourth, fifth and tenor hail from Finchley; G. M. Kilby from Willesden. The ringers wish to thank the Rector for letting them have the use of the bells.

## SADDINGTON, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE MIDI.AND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHARGES;
Being 42 Six-Scores each called differently. Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
*Walter Walpole ... ...Treble |*Albert Martin ... ... 3

*Alfred Bryan.......................
Conducted by Ernest Morris.

* First peal, members of local band. First peal on the bells. First peal on five bells by F. Staniforth who belongs to Kibworth. The conductor hails from St. Margaret's, Leicester.


## PETTISTREE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, February, 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes. At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor in cwt.
Lester L. Gray ... ...Tveble William B. Reeve... ... 4 Charles E. Fisher ... ... 2 ... 2 Robert Miles... ... ... 5 George R. Finch ... ... 3 | Alfred Clements ... ... Tenor Conducted by Charles E. Fisher.
This peal was rung for afternoon service, and is the first by ringers: of treble, 3 rcl and 4 th, and their first attempt.

## GREAT HAMPTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Southern Branch.)
On Sunday, February 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes.. At the Chorch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGE8;

Called in ten different ways. Tenor rol $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
$\dagger$ Ralph Cook ... ... ...Treble James Hemming ... ... 4
$\dagger$ Herbert Jordan $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad \dagger$ Frederick Jordan... *Percy Enstone $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad{ }^{*}$ Charles James...$\quad$... Tenor Conducted by Ralph Cook.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Doub!es. First peal as conductor.

HORSMONDEN, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, February 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF $\operatorname{HINOR} 5040$ CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's; Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob, and College Single. Tenor 20 cwt .
Edwin Lambert ... ... ...T Treble Frederick Butchers ... 4. Harry Price ...... Andrew Marshall ... ... 3 Frederick J. Lambert ... Tenoy Conducted by Edwin Lambert.
Quickest peal on the bells. It was arranged for Messrs. Price and: Marshall, who belong to Lamberhurst.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

HARWICH, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, January 28, 1913, in One Hout and Fifty-Nine Minutes, At the Residence of A. T. Morris,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Arthur T. Morris ... $\mathbf{~ T - 2 ~ | ~ T h o m a s ~ B e r n a r d ~ . . . ~ . . . ~ 5 - 6 ~}$


Composed by W. Harrison, and Conducted by A. T. Morris. Witness: Miss Daisy Miller.

## OXHEY, HERTS

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Junuary 29, 1913, in Three How's and Seven Minues, At 43, Heath Road,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAH CINQUES, 5021 GHANGES;

Hobert Eden... ... ... 1 - $2 |$| George N. Price | ... | $7-8$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

William Hodgetts $\quad \cdots \quad 3-4$ *Frank T. Martin $\quad \cdots \quad$.... 9 -io
George E. Howchin ... 5-6 Fredk. W. Brinklow il-I2
Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by George N. Price..
Umpire: Thomas L. Simmons..

* First peal on twelve bells.


## HARWICH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Jantary 30, 1913, in One Hour and Forty-cight Minutes, At the Residence of A. T. Norris,
a Peal of kent treble bob major, 5088 changes;
Arthor T. Morris... ... I-2 Thomas Bernard... ... 5-6 George Thompson... ... 3-4 Tower Taylor ... ... 7 - 8 Composed by W. Harrison, and Conducted by A. T. Morris.
Umpire: W, Barwood.
Witness: G. Clements.

GUILDFORD, SURREY
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
Or Friday, Janaary 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Residence of A. H. Pulling,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS, 5057 GHANCES;
*Septimus Radford ... i-2 Madrice Smither ... ... $^{\text {5-6 }}$
 Frank Blondell.... ... 9-io
Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling. Witness: Mrs. Polling

* First peal of Grandsire Caters away from 9-Io. † First peal of Grandsire Caters in hand. Rung as a birthday compliment to M . Smither and T. W. Radford.

ENFIELD, MIDDLESEX.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, January 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-one Minutes, At 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Wilby J. Hazell ...... I-2 $^{2}$ E. Maurice Atkins.. .5 5-6 Miss Edith K. Parker ... 3-4 *James Parker ${ }^{\text {4 }}$...... Composed by W. Willson, and Conducted by E. M. Atkins. Umpire: John Thomas.

* First peal of Bob Major in hand.


## A. "BLACK COUNTRY" RINGING WEEK.

The following peals were rung out of six attempts during a " Black Country " ringing week:-

WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD
On Monday, January 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Paul, Wood Green,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part. Horace Belcher

Tenor I/7 cwt. 3 qrs. I7 lbs. Chricere Wal ... ...Trevle Albert E. Whilater... 2 Thomas J. Elton $\cdot . . .3$ Conducted by Thomas Hughes Thomas Hili... William Fisher
*Thomas Jostice ... ...Tenor chomas Jostice

* First peal of Stedman Triples. Runtr on the occasion of the annual Parochial Tea. C. Wallater's 50th peal.


## TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On "Tucsday, Jantury 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Parish Church,


COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Wednesday, January, 29, 1913, in Three Honrs and Eight Minutes. At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

## Tenor II cwt., in G.


*First peal of BobzMajor. Rung after meeting short for Kent Treble Bob.

## WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD, On Saturday, February 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS; 5017 CHANCES;

## Tenor 24 cwt.

Christopher Hick ... ...Treble William A. Cooper ... 6

George Peate ... ... ... 2 William T. Powell ... 7 | Christopher Wallater | $\cdots$ | 3 | 3 | Benjamin Godgh | ... | ... | 8 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Edgar T. Smith

$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Thomas J. Elton } & . . . & . . . & 9 \\ \text { Thomas Justice } & \text {... } & \text {... Tenor }\end{array}$ John C. Adams... $\ldots . . .$.
Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by Thomas J. Elton.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. Rung on the Vigil of the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary.


## SUSSEX ASSOCIATION. <br> MEETIN゙G AT HASTINGS.

The quarterly meeting of the Eastern Division was held at Christ Church, Blacklands, Hastings, on Saturday week. The weather being fine, there was a strong muster of members, the company numbering forty, representing Christ Church and All Saints', Eastbourne; Christ Church, St. Leonard's; St. Clement's, Hastings, Battle, Rye, Heathfield, Salehurst, Seaford, and the local tower. The members attended service, the curate (the Rev. E. Parslew) intoning the prayers, and the appropriate hymns, "O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace" and "Ye Servants of the Lord," being sung. The organist kiadly gave his services, and the choir boys we:e in attendance.

The Vicar (the Rev. W. A. Armstrong) read the lesson, and delivered an eloquent address, basing his remarks on Romans xi, 36, "For of Him and through Him are all things to Whom be glory for ever." The prearher spoke of the different purposes for which bells were used. All the glories and messages of the bells came from God. Surely then there was one thing due from those who were ringers. That was that they should dedicate themselves afresh to God, entering His hense for His glory and praise. Let them make that a realising power in their hearts, and go out of that church with a resolve that something more of the beauty and the gladness of the bells should be set forth in their lives, coupled with more order and discipline of good ringing, without which the world would be out of tune.
A splendid tea was partaken of in the adjacent Schoolroom. The donor of the meal (the Rev. W. A. Armstrong) presided, and the business meeting followed.

Messrs. George Terrin, Darid Martin and David Arthur Craig, of Rye, and Edward Bristow, of Blacklands, were elected members, and on the proposition of Mr. B. Hobbs, seconded by Mr. W. White, it was decided to aitempt a quarterly peal of Stedman Triples at Christ Church, Eastbourne, the arrangements boing left in the hands of the divisional secretary.

Mr. G. Watson, general secretary, proposed a very bearty vote of thanks to the Chairman for his kind hospitality in providing such ans excellent tea, for presiding at the meeting, for the use of the bells, and for arranging the service.-Mr. W. Franks seconded, and the motion was carried with applause.-The Rev. Armstrong briefly replied.

A collection was made on behalf of the Association's Benevolent Fund, which already stands at f18, or thereabouts.
In tho evening, the party divided into two sections, a portion remaining at Blacklanils, while the other contingent went to St. Clement's, the lector (the Rev. Ir. C. B. Foyster) having kindly granted permission for ringing there. Tho bells, which are composed of steel, have recently been rehung, but a tremendously long dranght and new ropes made it necessary to handle them carefully, in order to strike in a satisfactory manner

During the day, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung. Double Norwich was attempted, but without success.-Thauks to the admirable reception accorded them by the ringers of the cinque port town, the visitors spent a thoroughly enjoyable day.

## LETTER FROM BOSTON, U.S.A.

AN OPENING FOR RINGERS.
The recent enterprise displayed in Massachusetts in providing new peals adapted to scientific ringing is an encouraging indication of the expansion of interest in our church bells. In addition to the magnt ficent peal of ten installed last September in the Memorial Tower at Hingham, a heavier peal of eight now awaits opening in the lofty, masoive tower of the Perkins' Institution for the Blind, at Watertown a suburb of Boston.
To crown all, the well preserved, tuneful ring of Christ Church cast in 1744 by Rudhall, at a period when Gloucester was turning out its best productions, is now being rehung. That the work in these three belfries has been entrusted to the Whitechapel foundry is an assurance that the "go" of the bells will satisfy the most fastidious ringers.

If the abolition of cannons, now pronounced as useless as a collar on a sheep, has impaired the appearance of the instrument, it has certainly facilitated its management. Indeed it is a distinct revelation to discover the ease imparted to the swing of even the heaviest bells by the modern stecl headstock secured directly to the crown, an adrance originating, by-the-way, in the United States. But, as an Irish barrister remarled, in his opening for the defence," Its a mighty thin tile that doesn't have two sides to it," and it is a matter of disappointment that while our appeal to favour the Exercise has met with a sympathetic response on the part of a generous public, the bells to whose cost they have so liberally contributed remain virtually mute.
To paraphrase lines of Dr. Holmes
Though all ummatched the founder's skill,
Those brazen throats are dumb and still.
In the absence of competent instructors. it is useless to attempt to train a band of beginners, and we must look, therefore, to our English confreres to man these idle ropes. The steeple of Christ Church offers an ideal rendezrous for practice, for it is situated in a district now appropriated chiefly by Italians accustomed to welcome the sound of bells from the early Ave to the erening Angelus.

To ringers contemplating, then, for any reason a change of residence, the occasion is opportune for settlement in Boston, where the prospect of securing employment to those holding first-class recommendations was never more favourable. With any ringers moved to join our limited number, I shall be glad to communicate
55, Vernon Street, Bostan, U.S.A.
A. H. NICHOLS. M.D.

January 24th, 1913

## BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

The annal meeting of the Chew Deanery Branch was held at Wrasall, where there is a fine peal of five bells, on Saturday week, and proved the most successful held in the history of this branch, about 50 members attending from Barrow, Gurney, Clapton. Easton-in-Gordano, Long Ashton, Nailsea, Portishead. Wraxall, Yatton, Congresbury and Cheddar. At a short service, held in the church, a most able address was given by the Rev. H. W. Humphreys. Subsequently the members adjourned to the Battle Axes, where a most excellent tea had been most generously provided by the Rev. Preb. Vaughan.-The business meeting was presided over by Preb. Vaughan, and one honorary and nine performing members were elected. T. Wjatt was re-elected chairman, and Mr. G. H. Gale and Mr. G. G. Court, vice-chairmen, whilst Mr. G. Yeo was re-elected hon. secretary and treasurer for the ensuing yoar.-Portishead was chosen for the place of the next quarterly meeting.-A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. Preb. Vaughan for presiding at the meeting, for his kind hospitality, and for the use of the bells, to which the rer. gentleman responded.- The bells were well used during the afternoon and erening.

## GLASTONBURT DEANFRY BRANCH

The annual meeting of the Glastonbury Deanery Branch was held at Wells, on Saturday, when about 40 members were present from Meare, Glastonbury, Midsomer Norton, Shepton Mallett, Cheddar, Dinder. Baltonsborough, Wells, and two from Trowbridge, Wilts (Mr. S. Hector and Mr. A. Marrison). Service was held in St. Cuthbert's Church, a very able address being given by the Vicar (the Rev. Preb. Beresford).-After tea. the business meeting was presided over by the Rev. W. M. IK. Warren, chairman of the branch. All the officers were re-elected for the year. Three honorary and 21 performing members were elected. Baltonsborough was selected for the next place of bers wer

Good progress is being made in this branch of the Association, two new towers having been added. and it is hoped to add three more at the next meeting.--A hearty rote of thanks was given to the Rev. Preb. Beresford for conducting the service, and for the use of the bells.--In responding, the Vicar said he was alwaye very pleased to welcome the Association to Wells.-Grandsire Doubles and Triples were afterwards rung on St. Cuthbert's bells, and a well-struck 392 of Grandsire Triples was rung on the back eight of the Cathedral bells, conducted by S. J. Hector. of Trowbridge. This brought a very succeseful menting to a close

By a typographical error in our report last week wo spoke of the Uxbriclo E Franch of the Tath and Wells Association. This, of course, shen'd be the Axturides Tranch. Tha braneh has a balanee in hand of £4 8s.

## THE OXFORD GUILD.

READING BRANCII ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER.
The annual meeting of the Reading Branch was held at Reading, on Saturday week. Previous to service, at St. Giles' Church, the bells of St. Mary's and St. Giles' were rung in touches of Stedman, Bob Major, Bristol Surprise, and London Surprise.-The Rev. R. P. Newhouse, R.D., gave a very appropriate address, taking as his text, St. Paul's words: " Woe be unto me if I preach not the Gospel."
A copital supper, followed by a business meeting and smoker, was held at the White Hart Hotel, fifty mombers attending. Mr. W. P. Routh, the President of the branch, presided, and proposed the toast of "The Church and King."

The balance slieet, read by Mr. A. W. Osborne, showed a very satisfactory balauce in hand, and was adopted.
Mr. W. P. Routh was re-elected president, and Mr. A. W. Osborne, hon. secretary and treasurer of the branch.-Mr. Routh, responding, said he would much rather see some younger blood take his place, but as the members would not hear of it, he would do his best to serve them again as he had done before.-Mr. Osborne also wished them to mako a change, but this asscrtion also would not be heard of. As the mombers placed so much confidence in hinn, he could, he said, only thank them for electing him again, and do his best to further the interests of the Reading branch.
Mr. Routh proposed the toast of "The Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn," which was drunk with musical honours.-The Master, in reply, said how pleased he was to be among them that evening, but was sorry to know the Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis, their respected treasurer, who was ill, was unable to be present, and also that the Rev. G. F. Coleridge was absent. He was very pleased to welcome among them the Rev. R. P. Newhouse, Vicar of St. Lawrence, also the Rer. R. Wickham Legge, Vicar of St. Mary's. He rogretted very much the absence of the members from the outlying towers of the branch, and urged the members of the respective towers to have their belfries open much earlier on their practice nights, to give some of the younger ringers a chance of laving a pull. When they met late in the evening, there was not time to get them all to take a rope. They wete very fortunate, he added, in getting for their clergy in the four churches in Reading, men who took a great interest in their ringers.

THE PROGRESS OF TIIE GUILD
Mr. A. E. Reeves, in the absence of the Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis, gave some very interesting details on the work of the Guild. He was pleased to say three more towers had joined the Guild, namely, Simpson, Becchampton and Shinfield, while Cookham, with ten members, two of them ladies, were to join later. The number of peals showed a considerable rise, no less than 122 having been rung in the year 1912. The Reading branch were to be complimented on ringing all the highclass methods, mostly Surprise. There were 32 members who had rung their first peal, and 82 their first in now methods. There was a slight decrease shown in the balance shect of the "Mother" Guild, of about $£ 4$; there being same branches where members were in arrears, including 24 in Reauing branch.-The forman of the towers gave their reports, which were all very encouraging, showing progress all round.
Mr. Wright proposed the toast of "The Reading Branch," coupling with it the names of their president and secretary and treasurer, Mr. Routh and Mr. Osborne.
Mr. Routh, responding, said he was pleased to see the branch was in a flourishing condition, but they must try and get the outside inembers to attend their annual mecting better, and thus show a little interest.
Some discussion tool place regarting the combined practices, which were not the success one would like to see them. During the year 1912, scarcely one of the country members came in to Reading to take part in any of them. while when one was arranged at the outside towers their members did not turn up as wished. It was agreed to call a meeting to settle what should be dono in the future
At this point, the Rev. F.J. C. Gillmor came into the room, followed by his Worship the Mayor of Reading (Mr. C. G. Ficld). The visit of the latter came quite as a surprise. it being the first time the branch has had the honour of receiving tho chief citizen of Reading at one of their meetings.-Mr. Routh proposed a very hearty welcome to his Worship, and this was carried with acclamation.-The Mayor, responding. said how pleased he was to be able to make the acquaint ance of the ringers, and he thanked them for their hearty weleome.
Mr. Routh proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. R. P. Newhouse for his splendid address to them that evening at St Giles' Church, also to the organist and choir for the musical part of tho service,-Songs were sung during the evening by Messrs. R. Dormer, L. Reeves, W. Dormer, W. Newell, C, Higgs, W. A. Webb, G. Goodship, J. Goodenongh.

## THE RECORD PEAL OF BRISTOL

## To the Eiditor

Sir,-I am not having a "dig" at the record peal of Bristol, but desire to correct what I consider a mis-statement. I was speaking to a friend at 6 oclock, when a nasty trip was occurling: he said it quite unset him, and I cheered him up, by remarking they will soon be clear of that. I was told by one or two I met there had been a serions trip at 1 o'clock.

## LONG STANTON'S MISFORTUNE.

## AN APPEAL FOR HELP

Misfortune has overtaken the new peal at Long Stanton, Cambs Since their dedication in November last, the bells of All Saints' Church have been in constant use. A numerous local company has been formed, and is malking excellent progress, and in addition to this, experienced ringers have paid frequent visits to this Cambridgeshire village, and exercised their skill upon the new ring. Two peals of Stedman Triples have already been accomplished, a nother only just lost, after more than 3 hours' ringing, while a fourth attempt lasted for over two hours.
Under these circumstances, we greatly regret having to report a serious accident which occurred to this much-used peal on Septuagesima Sunday, Jan., 19th. The tenor, an old bell dating from 1655 was being "rung in" for evensong, when she suddenly cracked at the sound bow, and is now useless. As there is a large debt on the restoration of the tower and bells still to be paid off, there are no funds with which to defrav the cost (£35) of recasting the tenor, and the Vicar and churchwardens, therefore, appeal to a kind public for help, as meanwhile the peal is quite crippled.

Donations may be sent to the Rev. H. B. Woolley, at the Vicarage, or to Mr. W. Doggett or Mr. H. Croot, churchwardens, Long Stanton Cambs.

## SALISBURY GUILD.

## DORCHESTER BRANCH AT FORDINGTON.

The quarterly meeting of tho Dorchester branch was held at Fording ton St. George, on Thursday week. Representatives attended from Charminster, Dorchester, Milton Abbey, Puddletown, Wyke Regis, and a full muster of the local band. The bells (6) and also those at St. Peter's, Dorchester (8) were available, and the ringers attended the special service of the Guild, at which the Vicar (the Rev. R. G. Bartelott) officiated. Afterwards the ringers adjourned to the Moule Tavern, where they were kindly entertained to a high tea by the Vicar, who presided, and was supported by his churchwardens, the Rev. H. C. Coote (the new Rector of St. Peter's, Dorchester), Mr. R. N. Dawes (chairman of the branch), and Mr. A. E. Coles (Bridgwater, late general hon. secretary of the Bath and Wells Association).-The Vicar welcomed the Guild to his parish, and said he hoped at some future time to restore the bells, and do his best to add two more to complete the octave. He dealt at length on the history of Fordington bells. The legend was that when King Henry VIII confiscated the Abbey of Bindon (a few miles from Fordington) the bells were sold, to be remored to the Continent. The Fordington parishioners, who were tenants of Bindon Abbey, on hearing of this went over by night and captured as many bells as they could, hiding some in the stream at Wool, and ohers in the well at Combe Keynes, eventually hanging them in Fordington tower. The following couplet spoke for itself "Wool streams and Combe wells, Fordington Rogues stole Bindon Bells.

## PROPOSED GUILD BADGE.

The Chairman of the Branch proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Bartelott for his bountitul entertainment, and for the use of the bells, etc.-The business meeting was presided over by Mr. R. N Dawes.-The Hon. Secretary stated the Upwey band-(twelve in number) had become members of the Guild, and Mr. White was instructing tho Fordington band, who were now able to ring Grandsire Doubles. It was resolved to hold the next meeting (annual) at Dorchester. The proposed badge for the Guild (which Mr. Hervey Beams had in hand; was next discussed. The design consists of four bells, in the shape of a cross. The finished design will be about the size of a halfpenny, and the branch unanimeusly approved of it.-The Rev. H. C. Cootc thanked Mr. Bartelott for his kindness and the Guild for inviting him there. He assured them of a hearty welcome when they came to his parish for their next meeting.-Mr. A. E. Coles also thanked Mr. Bartelott and the branch for their kindness. He had been, he said, a member of the Salisbury Guild a number of years. He was for four years the general secretary of the Bath and Wells Association. When he took over the secretaryship it had 130 members, and at the completion of the four years it had over 1,300.
The ringers adjourned to the two towers available, and kept the bells going to the tune of Plain Bob, Stedman and Grandsire.

A monthly meeting of the Devizes Branch was held at All Saints' Church, Westbury, Wilts, on Saturday, and although the weather was excrealingly stormy. 15 members attended. Tea was partaken of in the Parish Room (kindly placed at tho disposal of the members by the Vicar). Owing to the absence of the Chairman, the Rer. W. H. M. Clarke (Vicar of Westbury) occupied the chair, and was supported by the hon. secretary Mr. H. Brownlee West), and ringers from Bratton, Southbroom, Erchfont and Westbury. - Two new lady ringers from Erchfont were duly elected as members of the Guild.-Mr. West then proposed, and Mr. Hart seconderl a vote of thanks to the Vicar of Westbury for the use of the bells and also the Parish Room. The Vicar responded, saying that it gave dim great pleasure to meet the ringers at Westbury, and that, he should be pleased to welcome them again upon a future ocrasion.- Both before and after the meeting. the bells of the fine old church were well ued.

## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> CLERGY JOIN THE ACTIVE RANKS.

A quarterly meeting of the Winchester District was held at Alres. ford last Saturday, and was well attended. Touches of Double Norwich, Treble Bob, Hob Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples were rung, and several members visited Bishop Sutton, and rang touches on the six beils there.-The Rector (the Rev. A. A. Headley) presided at the tea in the Parish Roon. There were also present the Rev. W. E. Colchester (treasurer of the Guild), the Rev. W. J. Cumpsty, Mr. G. Williams (general secretary), Mr. Wilfred Andrews (captain of the Cathedral band), and members from North Stoneham, Twyford, Winchester, Bishopstoke. Jpham, Farnharr, Aldershot, Bishop Sutton, and Alresford.-A letter was read from the President (Mr. J. P. Stillwell) acknowledging congratulations sent to him by the Guild on his 80th birthday, and another sent by him to the North Stoneham band, thanking them for having rung a peal in honour of the same event. The Rev. L. M. Haslope, Vicar of Owslebury, and the new Rector of North Stoncham (the Rev. T. Salmon) have joined the Guild as performing members.-Sincere regret is felt in the district at the loss, through illness, of the late Rector of North Stoneham (the Rev. E. K. Browne), who has always proved a true friend to ringers.

The Chairman, in replying to a wote of thanks which had been accorded him for presiding, and for the use of the room and bells, said he was glad to again welcome the Guild to his parish, and glad to see his old ringer, Mr. James Sait, sitting at the table, for he had been a ringer for many years, and for 57 years had not missed ring ing out the old and ringing in the New Year on the Alresford bells.
A vote of thanks was also passed to the saterer (Mrs. (rook).
At a subsequent meeting of the committee, at which Mr. G. Williams presided, several new members from Alton and Owslebury were admitted to the Guild, and Mr. Wilkes said he hoped soon to have several new ones at Southampton.-The district secretary (Mr. J. W. Elkins) reported that the subscriptions were coming in better this year, and Mr. Williams said he had always felt that the Guild subseription should be a first charge on any fund a band might have.
The tower was again open during the evening, and the bells were kept going till nearly nine o clock. The bells of Old Alresford could not be used, owing to the receni death of the Rector
members were present, at the meeting.

## MEMORIAL TO THE LATE MR. R. S. STORY.

 RE-OPENING AT BELLS AT WHITLEY BAYOn Saturday week (the Festival of the Conversion of St. Paul) the new ring of eight bells at St. Paul's Church, Whitley Bay, Northumberland, were dedicated and opened in the presence of a numerous gathering. The service was conducted by the Rev. Canon Gough, of the Cathedral, Naweastle-on-Tyne, assisted by the Rev. E. Smith (Vicar), and local clergy
The bells, which are the product of the Loughborough foundry, are as under:-
Treble.-Weight, 4 cwt. 4 ars. 13 lbs. Inscription: Gift of T. T. Gofton and Alice his wife, 1912
2nd.-Weight, 5 cwt. 1 q\&. 12 lbs. Inscription: Gift of T. T. Gofton, 1912, in memory of his father who died 25th December, 1891
3rd.-Weight, 5 cwt. 3 grs. 4 lbs . Inscription: Robertus F. Wheeler, M.A., Presbyter Hujus Ecelesiæ. Recast 1912, in grateful memory of Robert Spencer Story. 22 years' President of the Newcastle and Durham Diocesan Association of Ringers.
4th.-Weight, 6 cwt. 2 qrs. 25 lbs. Inscription: Donum, Alfredi Molineux Palmer. Recast 1912 by the local ringers: T. T. Gofton, Master; J. A. Gofton, secretary; R. Gofton, T. R. Percival, R. A. Gofton, Arthur Payne, J. E. Gofton, T. M. Whitfield
5th.- Weigint, 7 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs. Inscription: Donum. Carolii Palmer. Recast 1912 by the incal ringers.
6th.-Weight, 9 cwt. 1 ar. 16 lbs . Inscription: Donum. Georgii Robson Palmer. Recast 1912 br the local ringers.
Robson Palmer. Recast 1912 lyr the local ringers. Donum. Johannm
7 th.- Weight. 12 cwt. 1 gr .4 lbs. Inscription: Don. Palmer, 1865. Recast 1912 in memory of Hannah Relton Stobbs, daughter of Dodds Edward and Isabella. Stobbs, who died April 8th, 1901, aged 8 years.
Tenor.-Weight, 17 cwt. I qr. Inscription: Donum. Caroli Marci Palmer. Recast 1912 in commemoration of King George $V$, 22nd June, 1911. Fhward Smith, M.A.. Vicar; Robert Mason, J.P., chairman; Ancustus Whitehorn, clerk, Urban District Council.
Immediately at the conclusion of the service the following members of the Durham and Newcastle Association rang a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 47 柔 mins.: C. ToAd 1, T. T. Gofton (conductor) 2, W. Story 3, Jas. Gofton 4, A. F. Fillier 5, R. A. Gofton 6, T. Metcalfe 7. J. A. Gofton 8. Diring the evening the bells were kept merrily going in Stedman. Kent, Bob Major, etc., great satisfaction being ex, pressed at their tone and " go."

At 6 p.m., a special service for the ringers was held $m$ the church by the Rev. E. Smith. M.A... Ruring the course of which the tablet erected by members of the Association and friends in memory of the late Mr. R. S. Story-who was connected with this tower for 30 yearswas unveiled.

ROYSTON.-Herts Association.-On Jan. 24 th, 720 College Single H. Bomnett l. E. Bonnett 2. R. Wilkcrson 3, W. Mansfield, Burley (furst in the metiod) 4, S. E. Roberts 5, R. G. King (conductor) 6,

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Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the College Youths.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association.
Cambridge Surprise Maximus by the College Youths.
Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on May 11th, 1912.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association, June1st.
Stedman Cinques by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17 th .
Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the Kent Association, December 7th, 1912.

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## ANOTHER " PEAL TAPPER."

The wonderful performance by Mr . Olave Broyd in tapping a peal in seven Minor methods is worthy of more than passing notice, and we are enabled to give our readers this week a photograph of this talented young ringer, for like Mr. Segar, whose peal in five methods he has outstripped, Mr. Broyd is still quite a young man. Mr. Broyd was born in the village of Gestingthorpe, Essex, in 1892, and he began ringing in 1909. He took to the Art as a duck to water, and his advance was very rapid. He rang his first 720 after three practices, and conducted a 720 of Bob Minor on February 2nd, igro, and in the same month could ring Oxford Treble Bob. At this time also he rang 5-6 to a 720 of Bob Minor on handbells-indeed, he seems to be specially gifted as a handbell ringer. He has rung two handbells, and called short touches in ten methods without a break, and when his band are having


Mr. Olave Broyd.
handbell practice he will ring any two, whether in the orthodox pairs or otherwisc. In tapping his peal in seven methods he accomplished the feat by coursing the bells, and in this way his performance differed from Mr. Segar's, who transposed the changes row by row.

Mr. Broyd has not rung a large number of peals-only thirteen in all. His first was Bob Major at Lavenham, on June ith, rgro, and following that he rang a peal of Kient Treble Bols Major at Foxearth. His first peal of Minor was at Gestingthorpe. This was in four methods, and was conducted by himself. His peals are :-

Bob Major
Kent Treble Bob Major
Minor in 7 Methods
Minor in 4 Methods
Bol Minor
On Handbells
Tapped in 7 Methods
Tapped in 7 Methods ............. I
One who knows Mr. Broyd and has watched his progress with interest, says he has not seen his equal on six
bells; while he has a wonderful ear, and can prick down course-ends from outside the tower. Only recently, when listening to a peal, he was able to tell his friends not only the part-ends as they came up, but when every bob was made, and by which bells. This is a gift which but few possess. Mr. Broyd, we understand, will not attempt to tap another peal for some time, but he hopes eventually to tap one in seven Treble Bob Methods.

## ODD CHANGES.

The dedication of the screen, erected in Drayton Church, to the memory of the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, for many years Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, takes place tomorrow (Saturday) at 4 p.m.

Only three men, so far as we are aware, have rung two tower bells to a peal-Messrs. J. W. Washbrook, J. E. Groves and W. H. Lawrence. Last Saturday Mr. John Thomas attempted a similar feat at St. Matthew's, Clapton, when he started for a peal of Grandsire Triples, ringing $2-3$, and conducting. The attempt, unfortunately, came to grief after I hr. 40 mins. ringing through no fault of his.

Mr. James Motts, of Ipswich, we are reminded, is another ringer who has scored 500 peals for one association, in his case, the Norwich. That brings the total up to five. Mr. I. G. Shade is close on the border line, and will be ringing his 500 th for the Middlesex shortly, if all's well.

Mr. Sam Wood, of Ashton-under-Lyne, writes that the peal of 5016 of Bob Maximus referred to in the recent article by Mr. Trollope was rung at Ashton-under-Lyne on March 3oth, 1909, beginning at the irth course. It was composed and conducted by Samuel Wood, and the figures were published at the time. A better peal is obtained by singling it, as given by Mr. Trollope, in the 9th course, and this was attempted at Ashton about 12 months ago.

The bells of St. Mary's, Chelmsford, a ring of ten, tenor 22 cwt. in E , are to be recast into a ring of 12 , tenor 30 cwt. in D, and Messrs. Warner and Sons, of the Spitalfields Foundry, have received instructions to carry out the work.

There is a very strong feeling that as St. Mary's, Chelmsford, is to be the cathedral church of the proposed new diocese of Essex, the ringers as a body should pive some material assistance in carrying out this extensive scheme. It has been suggested it should take the form of a present of the treble bell, with a suitable inscription upon it, such as " The Essex Association of Change Ringers gave me."

It is often said that once a man has been interested in ringing he can never entirely shake it off, and even if he retires from active participation in the Art there comes a time when the appeal of the bells inevitably draws him back to the belfry. Last Saturday Mr. William Tanner rang his first peal after a lapse of 23 years, at St. Dunstan's, Stepney. Even if Mr. Tanner has not been out of ringing altogether, it is a long break in his peal record.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## ANNUAL MEETING AT SELBY. <br> SUGGESTED DIVISION OF COUNTY INTO DISTRICTS.

Selby Abbey-the only complete Benedictine Abbey standing in the North -may be said to rank in grandeur of architecture next after York and Beverley, but in the number of styles represented, Norman, Transition, Early English, Decorated and Perpendicular-every style, in fact, except Anglo-Saxon - many would give it the first place. Fortunate it is, therefore, for the nation that this great monument of the past has been so splendidly restored since the disastrous fire in 1906. It will be noted, from whatever standpoint it may be viewed, how importantly the grand new tower dominates the whole structure. Mention must also be made of the recent addition, namely, the new South Transept. The new wing, with its beautiful stained glass window, is the gift of Mr. William Liversidge, a native of Selby.
With the privilege of visiting this grand old Abbey and noting how wonderfully it has been restored, and with the chance of a pull on the magnificent bells, Yorkshire ringers turned up in fairly good numbers for the annual meeting of their Association on Saturday week. The attendance, upwards of 130, representing 41 towers, is not a large one for the Yorkshire Association, and this is no doubt due to the fact that Selby is very inconvenient as a railway centre. It goes without saying that the ring of ten at the Abbey-tenor, $25 \mathrm{cwt}$. -
was well patronised all day. The peal of six at Hemingbrough was also at the members' disposal. Business commenced before noon with the annual audit, when all accounts, etc., were found in proper order. During the afternoon, the Vicar and others very kindly conducted parties round the Abbey, and pointed out its many objects of interest. Here it may be mentioned that the great fire proved in one way a blessing in disguise, for when an examination was made of the walls and foundations after the debris had been cleared, it was found that the tower was quite unsafe, owing to the foundations of the enormous supporting pillars not being secure enough to bear the great veight. Underpinning had to be resorted to, and concrete was filled in to a depth of no less than 36 feet to make everything perfectly safe.

## SELBY'S ANCIENT BELLS.

The annual service, fully choral, was held in the Abbey, the lessons being read by the President (Rev. C. C. Marshall) and the Rev. W. P. Wright, Vicar of Hemingbrough (President of the Cleveland and North Yorks Association). The sermon was preached by the Vicar,
the Rev. Dr. Solloway, D.D., from Psalm xcv, 1, " 0 come let us sing unto the Lord." As a reason for this text, the preacher said that this inscription would probably be found more frequently on bells than any other. This and texts inscribed on bells such as "Jesus be our speed,"" "Glory to God in the Highest," showed us the high ideals held with regard to bells and ringing, and he considered that bell ringing should be regaried on the very highest level. Ringers, therefore, ought to regard their important branch of Church work as a joyful privilege. The ringer's motive should always be summed, up in preacher also gave an interesting account of the Abbey bells, from which it was learned that an ancient peal disappeared at the dissolution of the monastery, and for a time there were no bells. Then in 1614 a native of Selby gave eight bells, which remained till 1690, when the tower fell. They were afterwards recast in 1710, and again in 1863, from which date they did service till the disastrous fire in 1906, when they fell with the tower. The metal is included in the grand new ring which they had heard pealing out that day.
A splendid tea was partaken of in the Church Institute, and the annual business meeting followed, with the President in the chair, supported by the hon. secretary, Mr. Clement Glenn; the hon. treasurer, Mr. Cotterell; and several of the committee. The treasurer's balance sheet was passed, and the report of the committee adopted. An interesting paragraph in the latter, which all members will do well to ponder over, states that: 'The committee have had under consideration the division of the county into districts, as they feel that it is impossible to keep in touch with all the towers in the county under our present organisation, and they would ask members to consider whether the time is not ripe to take some definite action in this direction.'
The poll for four members of committee (seren candidates) resulted in the following being elected: Messrs. P. J. Johnson, W. Pearson, J. H. Blakiston, and A. C. Fearnley.-The following addition to the regulations, proposed by Mr. P. J. Johnson, with J. W. T. Holgate seconding, was carried: "That no printed or duplicated matter be allowed to be issued in support, of any person nominated for a seat on the committee; and that the issuing of any such matter on the candidate's behalf shall disqualify such candidate from holding a seat on the committee."

## THANKS.

A most hearty vote of thanks, proposed by the Chairman, and seconded by Vice-President G. Bolland, was accorded to the Vicar for the service sermon, use of the bells, and for placing the Institute at the disposal of the Association; also to those associated with him in conducting parties round the Abbey; coupled with a vote of thanks to the organist, Mr. Sykes; the choirmaster, Mr. Eggleshaw, and members of the choir for the beautifully-rendered and inspiring scrvice.The Vicar, who, in responding, was enthusiastically received, said that the churchwardens and himself regarded the visit as a privilege con-
ferred on them. They were very proud of their bells, and if he were to go in for ringing instead of golf to reduce adipose tissue, he might have in due course a decent waist (laughter). He could only concludo by expressing the wish that they world come again soon.-The Rev. W. P. Wright, in responding to a vote of thanks for the use of his bells, smilingly said that Dr. Solloway might say Selby was old, but little Hemingbrough was older still; in fact, it was mentioned in the Domesday Book.-Thanks were accorded to the local branch, headed by Messrs. F. Cryer and A. Hall, for their work accomplished so well to make the visit of the Association in every way a success, and to the ladies, many of them ringers' wives, who assisted at the tea tables. -Votes of thanks were also passed to the auditors and returning officers, Messrs. Thos. Smith and A. Hall, and to the treasurer, secretary and president for their services during the year; thanke being also accorded to the latter for ably presiding over what had proved a most pleasant " annual.

## THE ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report of the Yorkshire Association is, as usual, a very voluminous publication, and is complete in all its details. The committee urgo the members to endeavour to euroll as hon. members tho clergy and churchwardens of their parishes, so as to keep them in touch with the aims and objects of tho Association. After referring to the proposal, mentioned in the report of the annual meeting, to divide the county into districts, the committee in reviewing the work of the past year, state that the number of peals rung on tower bells was 96, and on handbells 19, making a total of 115. The list was quite up to the average, both as to quality and quantity. One or two more difficult methods-of which there was a great variety for those who did not aspire to the rank of Surprise ringers-in the place of some of the Kent Treble Bob peals, and the appearance of a peal of Stedman Cinques, would make the list well-nigh excellent. The committee noted with pleasure two additions to their tower-bell list of methods, Norfolk Surprise and Little Bob Major, the luandbell list also having beeu added to by a peal of the latter, which was the first to be rung in the method on handbells. There was a good variety of "Little" methods in existence, which, in the committee's opinion, were worthy of attention. The report adds that Drighlington now heads the list of towers, being the first to be credited with one hundred peals for the Association, which total was attained during the year. Mr. J. Broadley was congratulated upon being the third member to reach the 200th peal mark (the two others are Messis. C. Glenn and C. Jackson). Sixty-one new members were enrolled during the year, but the committee would like to see more than this, especially in view of the heary number of lapses, there being no less than 30 names to be struck off through non-payment of subscriptions. This last was the most disappointing feature of the year's work. There were now six patrons, 42 honorary and 1,405 ringing members on the books. This showed only a net gain of one on the year's work. Referring to the balance sheet, the committee remarked that they again see that there is no hope of putting the Association on a sound financial basis from their present resources, and it was evident that the limit of expansion with their preseat income had been reached. The income was practically the same as last year, as was also their ordinary expenditure, leaving them with a little margin on the right side. This was creditable in its way, but they felt it was not what it ought to be, and they were no nearer the goal of their ambition than before, viz.: To be able to place each year a substantial amount on one side for expansion, as their predecessors were able to do during the early years of the Association's existence. They felt that this must have the attention of the committee, as the matter of placing the finances of the Association on a sound basis was of paramount importance for its continued success.

## THE LADIES' GUILD. <br> FIRST DISTRICT MEETING.

The first meeting of the Southern District of the Ladies' Guild wns held at Basingstoke, on Saturday. In spite of unpropitious weather, there were present: Miss Alice White, President (Basingstoke); Miss Edith Parker, general sec. (London); Miss Eva Belcher, Southern District secretary (Bramley); Mrs. Mack and Miss. D. White (Basingstoke), Miss Clillingworth (Bradfield), Miss Goodship (Reading), and Mrs. Whittington, who, with her husband, pluckily cycled from Cranleigh to Woking in the drenching rain, to be present at the meeting. There were also in the company eight or ten of the less gentle sex, from Reading, Hersham, Basingstoke, and Oakley. Ringing at St. Michael's began aboul 4 o'clock, and some pretty touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples were brought round, ably conducted by Miss Parker. A very pleasant party sat down to a capital tea, provided by Mr. Philpott, after which Mrs. Mack, Miss D. White, and Miss Sparshott, werc elected members; and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar of Basingstoke for the use of the bells. On returning to the belfry, while mere men stood aside wondering, the cight ladies, refreshed with tea, brought round the literally' "maiden " touch of Grandsire Triples rung in this belfry, conducted by Miss Parker. And so, with touches in aiferent methods the agreeable gathering was carried to a close. It may not be impertinent for one who vias present as a privileged guest, to congratulate the ladies on their skill, energy, and excellent striking; and it augurs well for the lift which is being given to the tone and spirit of the Fxercise at, large, by the existence and praiseworthy work of the Ladies' Guild.

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## THE PEAL AT WALLASEY.

To the Eclitor.

Dear Sir, -In your issue of January 24th, "Sympathiser" alludes to my condemning a peal of Bob Minor rung at Wallasey on Boxing Day. Well, I heard come of the ringing, which was very good, but several changes were badly muddled up, next they all "fired" (not a straggling fire), and then, after a bit of struggling, they settled down again, but I had lost all interest in further listening to it; so I had condemned before I knew what band was ringing. On the Sunday I heard that Mr. Newton was in it, so I wrote him, saying that hoped bo would not call it a peal. And I received a reply which I enclose. I still think the conductor should have terminated the ringing when the muddle took place, so that they might inave had a better peal at the next attempt. I hear a rumour that one or two others are of the same opinion as myself, but I suppose do not care to trouble.-Faithfully yours,

WILLIAM WILCOX.

## THE CONDUCTOR'S REPLY.

Dear Sir,-As being responsible for the peal of Bob Minor rung at Wallasey on December 26th last, and published among the other records as a true peal, I hope you will allow me enough space in your valuable paper to give both sides of the correspondence that has taken place between Mr. Wilcox and myself, and afterwards to explain to those interested what are the true facts of the case. On the 29th December last, I received the following postcard from Mr. Wilcox: " I heard the bells ringing at St. Nicholas', Wallasey, on Boxing Day. I heard a jumble at 5.10 p.m., and the bells fired, then struggle on. I put it down 'no peal,' but have been informed this morning that a peal had been rung, and that you were one of the band. I sincerely ihope it it is not a peal intended for the Chester Diocesan Guild (Wirral Branch)."

I was very much annoyed when I received this postcard, because I knew it was unwarranted and the outcome of jealousy, so I hastily sent back the following lines on a postcard: "Yes, it was a peal intended for the Chester Diocesan Guild, and a far supcrior one to any that you ever rang. Surely you are not comparing your toy $5 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. tenor (Bidston) with bells $16 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. (Wallasey) and a wealth of metal. I am not like yourself, a pioneer of ding-dong monotony. You must remember these lads have had only twelve months, and it was their first peal. Surely they can make a mistake. Read the Central Council's definition before you go any further. If you show any more ignorance or ill-feeling you can have another dose.'

Now, Sir, I have never yet heard or read of a peal being disputed unless there was some personal grierance of some kind underlying it all, and this case is rio exception to the rule. The trouble is that we were successful without their assistance, and hope to be on many occasions in the future. About this performance that is now in question, I wish to say at the outset that I was very well pleased with the peal when we rang it, and as regards firing I never heard any. Perhaps I was not far enough away. What happened throughout the whole thiee hours and seven mimutes was that or two occasions only two of the band hesitated at the lead, but the mistake was rectified immediately, and the bells were not out of course a single change. Surely all conductors have not to stop at bob calling? Now, Mr. Editor, you must admit that for three young ringers to ring their first peal and collectively to make only two mistakes, is an achierement to be proud of, as the ringing was most regular all through. I have it on good authority that the distance from Bidston-where Mr. Wilcox heard the ringing from-to Wallasey Church is three miles. It might be possible to know accurately what is happening this distance away, but I very much doubt it. "A Sympathiser" is certainly lamentably ignorant of what services $I$, or others, have given towards the tuition of the St. Nicholas', Wallasey, ringers. I have never claimed any credit for their progress, nor do I wish to. I know who took the most pains with them when they started to handle a bell, and who initiated them in the art of change ringing as it should be taught. I was never tired of reiterating to them the importance of good striking, and on the occasion of each visit to them, at no small sacrifice of time, I was obliged to travel on three different railway lines each way. Whatever assistance this band got from outside was unsolicited and infinitesimal, and as regards Mr. Wilcox's services, I have it on the authority of one of this band's leading ringers that he has never rung with them above once. There is too much of the "wheelbarrow" style of ringing in this particular branch of this Guild, or, as Mr. W. Snowdon so aptly describes it, "ding-dong monotony.
Now, Sir, Mr. Wilcox is the appointed instructor to this particular branch, an office which carries with it 5 s . per lesson when engaged. I am a non-resident member, and do the work gratuitously; therefore, there are no fees for Mr. Wilcox from this tower. On top of this. I have tricd to discourage in this tower and branch the ringing of Grandsire Minor and other worthless six-bell methods, and what I want the Wallasey (St. Nicholas') band to do now is to go on and learn seven legitimate methods and ring a 5040 with them included. And if they ring it as well and as true as we rang ours on December 26th lasí, I shall be more than satisfied, and feel that my labour has not been in vain.-Yours faithfully,
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## CLAIMS TO AUTHORSHIP.

## To the Eiditor.

Dear Sir,-In reply to Mr . Lindoff, I wish to say I agree with all that has been written on this subject by my confreres, while I consider Mr. Lindoff's letters have been anything but commendable. For he has contorted our statements, misrepresented our meaning, and confused the point at issue in order, perhaps, to draw attention from the main question, while at the same time he has not advanced a single line of sound argument in answer to our charge, and has never yet said, the 5040's we gave in our joint letter you published in your issue of November 8th, are not shortened variations of the 6048's we enumerated in the same letter.
In his first letter on November 22nd he insinuated some claim " of ours not yet made,' and concluded with a query, "Who would rounds belong to?" The reply to this is, rounds, like the other course ends, belong to any man, who can string enough of them together in a true and original 5040 composition, and so, Mr. Lindoff, rounds in New Cambridge Surprise Royal, and in your London Royal do not at present belong to you, and in this you have so far failed. In his letter of your issue, December 27th, Mr. Lindoff is a bit more clear, and would like to make us claim the full extent of the changes 6 th bell at home. Mr. Hattersley told him in his letter, January 3rd, that wo do not claim to have invented anything of the kind; in this I fully agree. But what we do claim is to have produced original compositions, which embody that quality, 'c and which are not variations of previnus composition in the method," from which, by the simple and well known process of shortening the 5040's in 14 courses, Mr. Lindoff publishes as his own, are taken from, and could be so obtained by any novice composer, or anyone who knows the calling which produces course ends
In subsequent letters, Mr. Lindoff tells us that peals 1 and 2, and 3 and 4 in our joint letters, are alike, which really is no business of his whatever, and is not relatire to the original question. This likeness, whatever there is, was known to us before publishing our first letter. We gave them with a * Bob, which he ignores, as showing that each comes direct from a distinct source of composition, and which clearly shows the 6048's ard not variations of one another. Now Mr. Lindoft as the 5040, No. 1, used in ringing your London Royal comes from Pitstow's 6048, and No. 25040 comes direct from Washbrook's 6048, you can claim one-half only of the 5040 you want. Thus, by your own showing and quibbling you can only win 2520 changes, which aro both useless and ridiculous.
In Mr. Lindoff's first lettor already alluded to, he told us he had some half-dozen such peals, etc. This is amusing indeed. Just fancy a man of talent and knowledge, sending out a new method, and then, to bolster it up, send with it, for its first performance, the composition of another composer. When caught, he boasts he has other such compositions. This gives rise to the idea that this half-dozen are as good as mythical.

Mr. Lindoff, in his letter of December 27th, tells us he has not the 6048 peals of Superlative in his possession. If this is so, how can he lescribe or discuss and draw correct conclusions. Therefore, in order we hope, to enlighten our readers, and, perhaps, Mr. Lindoff upon the subject, we will give the figures in full of the composition which 5040 No. 3 comes from, and point out how it reduces also to a 5056 , which will enable anyone with composition knowledge to compare and draw their own conclusion upon the merits of our claim.
SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR.


The figures of the New Cambridge Surprise Royal are given side by side of the 6048 Superlative to save troublesome refercnce, and to show that the course ends and calling of the 5040 are identical in the last eleven and the first three courses of the 6048, that shows by adding a bob W at * course ends jump fiom $C$ to $D$, and also that the $B$ courses bracketted are cut away.
l3y adding a bob "before " following course end A, course end B is brought up and changes are reduced to 5056 in number. It was thus rung as the composit on of H. Dains, on March 4th, 1904, at All Saints', Edmonton, by Royal Oumberland Youths, conducted by Mr. J. Parker, in Superlative surprise Method. The same composition was again rung, June 4th, 1905, as by the same composer at St. Mary's, Lambeth, conducted by Mr. Bertram Prewett, in New Cambridge Surprise Method, for this latter see Middlesex report, page 531, for 1905. Whether this composition has been rung at other times is not known, but it is very curious that it has been twice rung in reduced numbers and 23 courses with its author's name, but when reduced to 14 oourses by Mr. Lindoff, he claims the composition of them as a new one, although published over 20 years ago. Well, it has now again been shown conclusively it doesn't belong to him.
If ever any reader has seen such a conglomeration of mis-statements as those in Mr. Lindoff's letter of the 24th January, in reply to one of the most straightforward letters one could put together, let him say so, and then to conclude it by comparing morals, forsooth! This takes the prize. In conclusion, if Mr. Lindof should write a straightforward letter upon this subject and to the point, he will get a reply, otherwise he may not.
With many thanks, Mr. Editor, on behalf of my colleagues and my-self.-Yours faithfully,

HIY. DAINS.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

Tho pre-Lent meeting of the above Association was held at Tanficld, co. Durham, on Saturday last, and the few who were present thoroughly enjoyed their afternoon's outing, in spite of the inclement weather which prevailed. It is regrettable that so few members attended the meeting, but probably the difficulty of reaching the village had a good deal to do with it. At the committee meeting, 14 mem bers were present, with the president, Mr. C. L. Routledge, in the chair. - A letter of regret for non-attendance was received from the Rev. Archdale (Vicar of the parish), who had other duties to attend to. -The chief discussion was on the success of the district meetings.It was stated that this scheme had already been the means of securing two more towers for the Association, Tiz.: South Shields and St. George's, Jesmond.-The President announced the dedication of Bamlurgh bells next saturday, remarking that the Association was asked to appoint in instructor for this tower.-It was decided to leave this in his hands.--The President was also asked to select a committee to nake arrangements for the reception of visitors to the Central Council meating, to be held in Newcastle on Whit-Tuesday, May 13th.
An excellent repast was served at the Pack Horse Inn, to which the 22 members present did ample justice. - The President, in a brief speech, thanked the Vicar and churchwardens, also the Rev. W. Lister, for the arrangements they had made for the comfort of the visitors.The Rev. Lister' suitably responded.-After the election of new members, etc., the ringers dispersed to the neighbouring tower, where ringing was indulged in.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

## PROPOSED GIFT OF A TREBLE TO CHELMSFORD.

A mecting of the South Eastern district was held at Great Baddow, on Saturday. After ringing in the afternoon, the members adjourned to the King's Head, where the hostess (Mrs. Shorten) had prepared a bsentiful repast. Those present included the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre
(secretary). DIr. C. H. Howard (Naster), Mr. C. Firelr (churchwarden), isecretary) Mr. C. H. Howard (Master), Mr. C. Firch (churchwarden),
MI. A. Edwards (Disirict Master), H. F. Cooper (district secretary), Messes. Kırion and Walden (Boreham), Rainbird (Little Bentley, South Wuald), Whight, Richell and Newman (Cholmeford), Lincoln, Edwards and Head (Writtle), Green and Sitch (Fryerning), Windley (SpringGeid), and others.-Mr. G. Rogers (Ingatestone) was elected a member, and Ingatestonc tower in union with the Association. Rayleigh was selected for the next meeting, or, failing this, Prittlewell. A meting will be held in April, at Little Bentley; South Weald.
The Rev. H. T. Eyre proposed, and Mr. C. H. Howard seconded, a hearty harty vote of thanks to the Vicar of Great Baddow, and also to Mr. Finch for presiding at the tea and meeting.-Mr. Finch responded, and assured those present the Vicar would have joined them had ho been well enough to do so; as for himself it was a great pleasure to bo present and meet men he had known for so many years. He also hinted that in the near future the authoritics were going to turn their attention to tho bells and improve upon the present ring of cight.
It was reported that an order had been placed with Messrs. Warner and Sons to recast the present ring of ton bells of St. Mary's, Chelmsford (tenor, 22 cwt .) into $a$ ring of 12 (tenor, 30 cwt .), the bells that as St. Mary's is to steel frame. The opinion was freely expressed fihat as St. Mary's is to loe the Calhedral Church of the new diocese of Issex, the $\Lambda$ ssociation should present the now treble bell. After considerable discussion as to how the money should be raised, the following resolution was carricd unanimously: "That this meeting recom-
mends that the Association should present the treble bell to the proposed new rimg of twel:e for the Pro-Cathedral of the new diocese, and that it be paicl for out of the reserve fund, which amounts to about $£ 100$. "-I'he Master intimated that notice would have to be given of special motion to be brought forward at the annual meeting, which is to be held at West Ham on Whit-Monday, and Mr. H. F. Cooper, district secretary, of the division, gave notice of his intention of doing so.

The methods rung durng the afternoon and evening were Grandsire and Stedman Triplee, Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich.

## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

## SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT ORDSALL.

The village of Ordsall, where the North Notts Association held a suncesstial meeting on Saturday, is mentioned about the year 1037, in tho reign of Erlward the Confessor, and it finds a place, too, in Domesuay Book. Here it was in the time of the Commonwealth that the Rector, Dr. Marmaduke Moore, was fouud guilty of the "damnable offence of playing cards, three several times in his own house, witin his wife, to the great scandal of religion, and the great danger of drawing down the wrath of God upon the land," and for which his estate was forfeited as "for treason," and he was himself for ever sequestered from his living. The meeting on Saturday was held partly to honour the 21st annversary of Mr. Joseph White, as senior ringer and sexton, and as Ordsall was the birth-place of the writer of this report, who cherishes the dearest recollections and reminiscences of the past, it is very gratifying to have to record such a large atiendance of ringers and friends from kindred associations. Members were present from Anston, Worksop, Bawtry, Blyth, Everton, Last Markham, Laughterton, Lincoln, Gainsborough, West Stockwith, Last Ritford and Ordsall. Touches in a variety of methods, Oxford, Kent, Grandsire and Plain Bob were brought round, whilst the Ererton ringers accomplished a 720 of Violet Treble Bob, the best struck 720 of the day, and a perfect example of what six-bell ringing should be. The ringers were: H. Stevenson 1, I2. Lindley 2, J. Bee 3, John Swinilon 4, Joe Swindon (conductor) 5, Geo. Brown 6. Afterwards a 720 of Oxford was rung by: H. Haigh 1, F. H. Hind 2, J. T. Barham 3, G. R. Winter 4, F. W. Baker 5, H. Stanton (conductor) 6. -Tea and the business meeting were held at the Gate Inn, the genial Rector (the Rev. IL. D. Foster) presiding, and giving a few words of practical advice, and his democratic views of Churchmanship. He also referred to his brief experience as a ringer.-The Vicar of Everton, with his ringers, rejoined the Association after a lapse of 20 years, and Miss Dorothy D. Steel, of Bedford, and the Rer. W. P. Wright, Vicar of Hemingbrough, Yorks, were also elected non-resident members, together with one or two performing members. - The next meeting will be the anmual meeting, and will be held sometime in May, full particulars of which will appear in "The Ringing World.' - H.H.

## RINGING UNDER DIFFICULTIES.

The two peals recorded at Congleton and Silverdale are worthy of special note. The first peal of Superlative on the bells of the former church was a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Lawton, one of the bon. members of the Stoke Association. On the following day, Silverdale, with its natty little peal of eight, by Warner, was risited. A curious state of affairs was there met with. The ringers were on strike, and the church was undergoing repairs. After some of the visitors had looked round the church, which contains serious cracks, owing to subsidation, they found one of their number in the belfry stripped to the waist, shovelling up a large heap of debris that had been placed there by the workmen. The belfry as a matter of fact was without standing room, but having removed the rubbish to the centre and placed planks over the holes in the floor, a start was made. When ringing had been in progress about an hour, the staircase was filled with children, who must have clambered in through some of the holes. The tenor ringer was able to keep them from entering the riuging chamber with some difficulty, and shortly afterwards gravel and stones were rained at the window of the belfry. But even under these difficulties the peal was successfully brought round.

## THE PEAL AT BIRLING, KENT

Mr. F. W. Richardson writes: With reference to the peal recently rung at Birling, Kent, will you allow me to make a correction to the footnote. The reason I put "first peal on the bells" was that I thought this the best means of getting information, as I searched the Kent County records, and found nothing had been done, and there was nobody at Birling to enlighten me. However, Mr. Geo. Lrucas very kindly supplied the long wished-for information. He conducted the first peal on Birling bells, Kent Treble Bob Major, for the Middlesex. Association. So the footnote should read: Second peal on the bells, first in the method, and first by this Association on the bells. I wish again to thank Mr. Lucas for the trouble he took in coming to St. Johain

Mr. P. Hodgkin, of Headcorn, also writes to correct the footnote. The first peal on the bells, he says, was on May 19th, 1901, and adds that the first peal in most if not all the eight-bell towers in Kent have been rung gears ago. Other correspondients have also written to the same effect.

## THE SALOP GUILD.

QUARTERLY MEETING AT MALINSLEE,
On Saturday, a very successful meeting of the Salop Guild was held at Malinslee. Originally, it was intended to go to Berrington, but the bells there were in a bad state, and the Rev. E. Parry kindly iavited the Guik to Malinslee. Ringers were present from Shrewsbury, Dawley, and Coalbrookdale, and Bob Minor, Stedman, Grand--sire and Plain Bob Doubles, were rung. Mr. Woodvinc, the captain of the local band, collected sufficient funds to entertain the party to an excellent tea, his good wife and other ladies attending to the visitors' wants in the comfortable Parish IIall.
The Rev. E. Parry presided at the business meeting, supported by the Rev. C. B. Crowe, R.D., Vicar of Coalbrookdale.-The Secretary intimated that Mr. E. R. Trevor Corbett had written explaming that Mr. O. 12. Lilley had come to reside in Shrewsbury, and hoped this would be the means of raising the standard of the linging in the Salop Guild.-Mr. Clayton, junr., was elected an hon. meniber.-After tea, some good handbell ringing was done, a course of Grandsire Caters, double-handed, being followed by several courses of Triples. Mr. C. W'atts also rang the front four through a course of Grandsire Triples in fine style. The Rev. C. R. Crowe proposed a vote of thanks :to the ladies for providing such an excellent tea-Afterwards there was further ringing in the tower. -This npportunity is taken of thanking the Rev. E. Parry for the uso of the bells, and for helping to make the meeting a success.

## PEAL TABLETS UNVEILED AT KENSINGTON.

The ringing of a peal in the metropolis noradays is such a frequent occurrence that one seldom hears of a peal tablet being erected thereabouts to commemorate suah a performance. However, two occasions on which the St. Mary Abbott's Guild of Kensington rang peals were considered of such historical interest that it was decided to have permanent records of them in the belfry. Consequently, the Vicar (the Rer. Prebendary Pennefather), accompanied by Mr. Erederick Leach, I.S.O., churchwarden, and the Rev. H. W. Brown, chaplain to the Guild, togethor with some twenty-five members, assembled in the tower for the purpose of unveiling two magnificent tablets recording peals rung by members of the Guild on the Coronation days respectively of their Majesties King Edward VII and King George V. After having unveiled the tablets, the Vicar congratulated the ringers on their performances on two such historical occasions, and expressed admiration, which was shared by those present, at the design and workmanship of the boards.

Mr. W. E. Garrard, in thanking the Vicar for his presence, remarked that the peals were first-class performances and were well struck; providing examples to the younger members of the Guild of what could be accompliched through perseverance and regular practice. It was also observed that their dear old friend J. Hayward, the ringer of the treble in the King George peal, whose cheery good nature was sadly missed, was the designer" of the tablets, which are made of "Wainscott," polished moulded bases and caps, and fluted pilasters and eliptical arched top with panels of mahogany. The work was by the author of both the compositions of the peals, H. Dains, and bath the performances were conducted by William E. Garrard, Stedman Caters and Treble Bob Royal respectively. The arched part of each tablet is adorned with the Royal Coat of Arms, painted in colours, picked out ind gold.

## MONEY QUICKLY RAISED.

For a long time past the bells of Sit. Nicolas' Church, Guildford, have been going badly; no peals could be attempted, and it was very difficult to ring the heavy bells; indeed, so bad had they become that it was decided to stop ringing after evening service on Septuagesima Sunday. Notice was given to the Rector and wardens that ringing must cease, and on Sexagesima Sunday the Rector made an eloquent appeal for funds to put the bells in repair, saying it would be a disgrace to him and to the congregation for them to remain silent at the Easter festival, and he hoped the necessary amount (about £76) would be subscribed. Whether it was the Rector's eloquence or the silence of the bells we do not know, but the whole of the money required, and more, was subscribed by the following Tuesday, and the work was immediately put in hand, the estimato of Messrs. Taylor and Co.. of Toughborough, having been accepted. It is hoped the bells will be again rung on Easter day.

## ST. PETER'S, COLCHESTER, BELLS.

## To the Falitor

Sir,-In reference to appeal for funds, re St. Peter's bells, I beg to acknowledge the receipt of following sums, and shall be glad to receive any further donations, for cards already issued: Amount preriously acknowledged, £6 10s.; Mr. A. Shufflebotham, Bocking, 1s.; St. Michael's Guild, Braintreo, per Mr. C. H. Howard, 10s. ; St. Mary' Ie-Tower Company, Ispwich, per Mr. W. Motts, 7s. 6d.; Messrs. I. and H. Newman, Feering, 4s.; Mr. F. C. Newman, West Ham, 2s.; smaller sums, 7s.: St. Peter's Company, Colchester, £1 1s.; per Mr. G. Burch, 1s.; per Mr. S. Hull, 1s. 6d.; per Mr. H. Evers, 1s. 6d.; total, £9 6s. Gd.-Yours faithfully,

49, Wickham Road, Colchester.
H. T. PYE.

## WORCESTER BOB MAJOR.

## To the Wilitor.

Sir,-If Mr. Pigott has not got " Rules and Decisions of the Central Council, $1904, "$ I should advise him to get it and study it carefully. "This report is later than the "Glossary," and certain definitions in the "Glossary " aro out of date, and have been since 1904, and it is not fair for anyone to send methods to the ringing papers before they have studied the latest works puolshed by the Council on the subject. The method is not Double, and it is not a Court method, neither is it the Double of so-called Iorkshire Court, which cannot be doubled, and is not a Court method. The proof of these statements is in that publication, and so I give no proofs here, as it is not fair to occupy your space with proofs which anyone can obtain for themselves by buying the publication named. Of course, if Mr. Pigott likes to ring illegitimate methods he can do so, just as he is at liberty to ring call changes if he wishes to, but he has no right to occupy your space until he has taken the trouble to learn the rudiments of the subject.

1I. LAW JAMES.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-Just a word on the above method, which can be seen in IIubbard's "Art of Ringing" (1876 edition) as Double Yorkshire Court Bob, and which in my opinion is the very best method known away from the four Standard methods, viz., Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, and Kent Treble Bob.

Take Double Norwich, for instance, as it is generally suppesed to be the most musical method known. We get in every treble lead eight perfect and eight foreign changes, whereas in Double Yorkshire there are twelve perfect and only four foreign changes to every treble lead, making the method 25 per cent. better than Double Norwich for its musical qualities.

Yorkshire is a double method, as all the places are made the eame from belind as they are from the front, but still it does not reverse true in itself, and this is the onc thing which was forced through the Central Council, and is a defeot becaruse some of the very best methods are now called illegitimate. To my idea this method is far more legitimate than Grandsire, as all the changes are true from lead to lead, whereas Grandsire is only true from lead head to lead end. Birmingham.

## ROUND THE FESTIVE BOARD.

## LAMBERHURST RINGERS' DINNER.

The Lamberhurst, Kent, ringers held their annual dinner recently, when a jovial company, numbering upwards of 40 , partook of a sumptuous spread at the George and Dragon Hotel. A 6moking concert was afterwards held, under the chairmanship of the esteemed Vicar (the Rev. A. C. Stopford-Gayer), with Col. Delamaine in the vice-chair, supported by Mr. P. A. Simpson and Mr. B. L. Playfoot. After the loyal toast had been honoured, a pianoforte solo by Mr. Wallis, of Gouchhurst, was executed in fine style, and was followed by some lively selections on the piccolo by Mr. John Tapp (the tap, a wag remarks, that never freezes). "The Army, Navy and Reserve Forces" was next proposed by Mr. P. A. Simpson, and responded to by Col. Delamaine, who gave same interesting reminiscences of the Army. A humorous contribution followed by Mr. Turner, whose efforts were loudly applatuded, as was also the song, "Mary Ann, she's after me," contributed by Mr. E. Crurr. -The toast of "The Lamberhurst Bell Ringers' 'was proposed from the chair. and responded to by Mr. W. Marshall and Mr. John Bailey, the latter also giving an old favourite, 'They have all got il mate but me," while Mr. F. Gurr afterwards sang a humorous song.
The toast of "Tho Kent County Association," coupled with the name of Mr. Latter, was given by the Vicar. Messrs. A. Wright and Emptage followed with songs, after which Mr. Latter responded to tho toast. He gave some very interesting statistics concerning the Association and ringing in general, and said he should very much like (as would the Lamberhurst ringers) to see "two more bells added to the present ring of six, to complete the octave. He was sure, if the Vicar projected the scheme, it would be heartily supported. Messrs. F. Gurr and J. Turner next gave a comical sketch, which was followed by "The village blacksmith, 'by Mr. Wallis.-The Chairman next proposed "The Visiwors", and Mr. P. A. Simpson responded, saying ho hoped the Vicar would bear in mind Mr. Latter's remarks concerning the two new bells, and bring the matter forward. Ho promised it would have his hearty support, and would, he ventured to say, receive the same from other residents in the village, while he was sure the acquisition would be highly appreciated by the bell ringers themselves.

Selections on the handbells followed, and a song, "Mr. Cupid," by Col. Delamaine, was greatly enjoyed.-Votes of thanks to the various artistes for their services, and to the host and hostess, were proposed and carried, and the concluding toasts, "The Chairman," "Vice-Chairman" and "Mr. P. A. Simpson," were accorded musical honours.-An extremely enjoyabic evening was spent.
[Reports of other festive meetings are unavoidably held over.]
BALKLEY, HERTS.-On Nov. 29th, 1320 Grandsiro Doubles, in 45
mins.: *W. Peachey 1, H. Horward 2, *S. Horward 3, W. Mansfield 4, R. Horward (conductor) 5. *Longest length.

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

PENTRE RHONDDA.-On Sunday, January 5th, for morning ser vice, at St. Peter's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in $47 \mathrm{minc} .: \mathrm{B}$. Davies (first quarter-peal) 1, G. Cross 2, H . Page 3, G. Wines 4, W. Page 5, J. Cross 6, T. Page (oonductor) 7, S Veaver 8.-On January 6th, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Majoı (1280 changes), in 50 mins.: H. Crabbe 1, G. Cross 2, H. Page (conductor) 3, G. Wines 4, F. Chamberlain 5, W. Page 6, J. Cross 7 T ductor: 3, G. Wines 4, First quarter-peal in the method by all, and first quartet on the bells.
BIRMINGHAM,-On January 12th, for evening service, at Bishop Ryder's Church, 629 Grandsire Triples: S. Coley 1, J. Porter 2, A. I Scrivens 3, J. 'I. Perry (conductor) 4, G. A. Taylor 5, E. Mullins 6 , J. B. Collett 7, G. Rastall (Aunsby, Lines) 8.

GEDDINGTON, NORTHANTS. - On Jan. IOth, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles ( 1260 changes): E. Cooper 1, G. B. Black 2, L. Reid 3, R. Black (first quarter-peal, conductor) 4, C. Moore (first quarterpeal) 5 .
FULMER, BUCKS.-On Jantary 2nd, on the occasion of the birthday of F. Clarke, one of the local band, 720 of Oxford Bob Minor: J. Clarke (Stoke Poges). 1, G. H. Gutteriage 2, A. Bateman (Stoke Poges) 3, E. Harding 4, J. Walden 5, W. Walden (conductor) 6.
BARROW-ON-HUMBER, LINCS.-On January 10th, 720 Bob Minor: 12. Pratt 1, H. Batson 2, J. Barrick 3, G. Thompson 4, E. Dannati 5, IV. Urowder (conductor) 6.

GAINSBOROUGH, LINCS.-On January 8th, at All Saints' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins.: F. S. W. Butler (con ductor) 1, R. Dawson 2, A. IF. Wheeler 3, J. C. Tinker 4, J. T'. Ladd 5, W. Dickenson 6, H. Torr 7, S. Wilson 8. Rung with the belle halfmuffled, as a tribute of respect to Alfred Betts, formerly a ringer at the above church, who passed away at Sturton-le-Steeple, Notts, the home of his parents, on Stinday, January 5th, after only two days' illness, was interred at that place on the 8th. The whole pull and stand was rung at the finish of the quarter-peal.

BISHOPSTOKE, HANTS.-On W゙ednesday, January 8th, at St Mary's Church, 720 Grandsire Doubles: II. Titcombe 1, W. G. Edwards (conductor) 2, Stubbington 3, W. T. Tucker 4, G. Grant 5. Also three six-scores, with C. Ayliffe 4.

POTTON, BEDS.-On January 5th, for a men's special serrice, 720 Single Oxford Bob: F. Carter 1, S. Stubbings 2, A. O. Bailey 3, W. H. Mison 4, W. G. Inskip 5, F. Blood (conductor) 6.

IVEST EALING.-On Jamuary 7th, for a special mission service, 504 Stedman Triples: G. Spencer 1, J. Crocker 2, G. Harbour 3, T. Beadle 4, F. Goddard 5, W. Lawrence 6,.J. J. Pratt (conductor) 7, C. Edwards 8.
OXTON BIRKENHEAD.-On Jan. 14th, 504 Grandsire Triples: C. Owens 1, II. Brocklebank 2, J. Owens 3, R. Birchall 4, W. Hughes 5, J. Evans 6, II. Marten (conductor) 7, S. Mostyn 8. Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. Caine to Miss Hall, which took place casion of
GALRGRAYE-Yorks Association.-At St. Andrew Church, on Jan. 19th, for morning service, 1344 of Grandsire Triples: J. Hogg 1, TW. H. Rirtwhistle 2, J. Langstroth 3, W. Bradley 4, C. Langstroth 5, A. R. Tones (conductor) 6, J. Wane 7, H. Birtwhistle 8.
STANSTED, ESSEX. - The Essex Association. - On Jan. 12th, for morning service, 504 Stedman Triples: G. Gray 1, H. Little 2, J. Lackey 3, F. M. Butler 4, '1'. Jordan 5, W. T. Prior 6, W. Watts (conductor) 7, T. J. Watts 8.-On Jan. 15th, 1152 Oxford Treble Bob Major: W. Watis (conductor) 1, A. Jorian 2 T. J. Watts 3, F. M. Butler 4. J. Luck oy 5, H. J. Tucker 6, W. T. Prior 7, T. Jordan 8.

SNAITII, YORKSIIIRE-On Jan. 4 th, 720 Bob Minor: C. Sandoe 1 W. King 2, II. Bullock 3, G. Incdgson (first 720) 4, H. Ludkin 5, J. Bullock (conductor) 6.

LECKIIAMSTEAD.-Towcester and District Association.-On Jan 14th, 720 Donbles ( 240 Antelope and 480 Grandsire): A. J. Fenewore 1, F. P. Warner 2, IV. T. Carter 3, T. Carter 4, L. A. Smith (conductor) 5.

ABEOTTS LEIGTI. - Gloucester and Bristol Association - On Jan. 15th, 720 Kent Treble Bob: G. Bennet 1, W. Frampton 2, J. Thomas (ronductor) 3, W. T3ooth (first 720 inside) 4, E. Frampton 5, L. H. Moore senr., 6. 360 Oxford Treble Bob, conducted by J. Thomas. Also a course, with J. Thomas ringing $1-2$.
BIRMINGITAM. - Mirland Counties Association. - For service, at Bishop Riyder's Church, on Sunday evening, Jan. 19th, a quarter-peal of Giandsire 'Triples: S. Coley 1, G. A. Taylor 2, J. Porter 3, J. T. Perry 4, J. 3. Collett 5, W. H. Carral 6, A. T. Scrivene (conductor) 7, J. Pearce 8.

HIGH WICOMBE, BUCKS.-On Jan. 5th, for evening service, at the Parish Church, 1321 Stedman Caters, in 56 mins.: A. F. Ashman 1, $G$. White 2, W. Phipps 3, F. K. Biggs A, F. Markham 5, R. Coles 6, J. W Wilkins (conductur) 7, s, 5 . Goodchild 8, B. Page 9, A. J. Hoing 10. (1) Jan. 6th, 516 Stedraan Cinques, the longest tonch on 12, by a local company: R. Coles 1. S. F. Goodehild 2, G. F. Williams (conductor) 3, W. Phipps 4, J. W. Wilkine 5, T. Markham 6, F. K. Biggs 7, F. Hayes 8, J. Granshiry $9, G$. White 10 , B. Page 11, C. Simith 12.

LYMINGTON.-On Jan. 21st, at St. Thomas' Church, 1500 Grandsire Triples, in 54 mins.: J. Ferley 1, E. C. Elliott (conductor) 2, J. E.

Figgures 3, S. Clarke 4, H. F. Elliott 5, G. Arnold 6, S. Norris (longest touch on inside bell) 7, A. Ayles 8 . Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. S. Clarke.
MEPHERINGHAM. - Lincoln Diocesan Guild (Northern Branch). On Jan. 14th, 504 Grandsire Triples: F. Dawson 1, W. Green 2, G. H. Cooke 3, F. W. Stokes (conductor) 4, H. Green 5, Ii. Fincham 6, J. Dawson 7, J. Foster 8. Longest touch of Triples by all except the conductor.
ALDERSHOT.-At St. Michael's Parish Church, on Jan. 19th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor, being the first 720 of Minor on the bells by all local men, and rung as a farewell to Private J. Hall, who is leaving for service in Egypt, the band wishing him every success: W. Fisher 1, A. Croucher 4, G. Fisher 3, Alf. Croucher 4, W. Fisher, junr., 5, J. Hall (conductor) 6.
STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTA.-On Jan. 20th, at St. Margaret's Church, 720 York Surprise Minor: A. J. Gilbert 1. R. W. Hyner L, F. Looker 3, W. G. Lancaster 4, G. Lancaster (conductor) 5, C. J. Gardiner 6. First 720 in the method on the bells.
SOUTH IIACKNEY.-On Sunday, Jan. 19th, for evensong, at the Church of St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney, 1280 Superlative Surprise Major: E. T. Wigg 1, C. T. Coles (conductor) 2, A. J. Neale 3, 5. F. Pike 4, W. Pye 5, W. H. Theorald (first quarter-peal in the method) 6, R. Sanders 7, H. Torble 8.
SHIPSTON-ON-STOW.-On Monday, Jan. 6th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, at St. Edmund's Church: A. Faulkner í F. Bird 2, P. Bird 3, W. laulkner 4, C. Bird (first quarter-peal as conductor) 5, I. Bird 6.
SOUTHWOLD SUFFOLK.-Norwic! Diocesan Association.-On Thureday, Jan. 23rd, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins.: F. Osborne $1, \mathrm{H}$. Barton (conductor) 2, J. Gillings 3, J. O'Neill 4, E. Goodwin 5, W. E. Ayers 6, J. Larter 7, G. Blowers 8.
OTTERSHAW, SURREY.-On Jan. 18th, an attempt for a peal of Minor failed after $2 \frac{1}{4}$ hours' good ringing, owing to a violent attack on the belfry door by a neighbour whose wife was unwell. The methods rung were: Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single, and 500 of Single Oxford: Bert Webb 1, C. Tricker 2, H. Blackman 3, J. Goacher 4, W. Day 5, F. Bennett 6.

WHITTLE-LE-WOODS.-On Jan. 19th, at the Parish Church, for evening service, 1440 Bob Major: J. Astley 1, T. Beaver 2, H. Lancaster 3, A. Blackwell 4, F. G. Bradley 5, A. Hartley 6, R. L. Ince 7, E. Gent (conductor) 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late Rev. O. de Leyland Baldwin, former Vicar of Leyland, and patron of the parish.

COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.-Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford and the Dudley and District Guiid. On Jan. 22nd, an at tempt was made to ring Thurstans' four-part peal of Stedman Triples, in honour of the birthday of the Vicar (the Rev. J. Arthur Price), but after ringing 2 ins. and 50 mins, the bells ran into rounds two blows too soon, owing to a change course in the last few courses: Ben Gough 1. G. IIughes (Wednesbury) 2. Samuel Pearec 3, Albert Little (Wolverhampton) 4, Alfred Rowley (Tipton) 5, Samuel Baker 6, Wilinam Fisher (conductor) 7, Richard Dunn 8.-On Sunday morning, Jan. 26ㄴㄴ, for Divme service, the local band rang 240 Bob Major, 240 and 210 Darlaston Bob Triples: S. Pearce, A. Baker, L. Barnett, W. Grinsell, B. Gough. S. Baker, W. Fisher (conductor), and R. Dunn. For evening service, three courses of Bob Major, 224 Canterbury Pleasure, and 240 Darlaston Bob Triples, with Joseph Roberts.

LONGDON, WORCESTERSHIRE.-On Jan 23 rd , for practice at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire and St. Dunstan's Doubles, in 40 mins: R. Pendry (conductor) 1, Bert Newbury 2, E. Godwin 3, Fred Smith 4, W. Pendry 5, G. James 6.
WITNEY, OXON.-Oxford Diocesan Guild.-On Jan. 26th, for morning sorvics, 350 Grandsire Triples: H. Long 1. C. R. Walker 2, A. Brooks 3, J. Monk (conductor) 4, G. Brooks 5, T. Bull 6, J. Brooks 7, A. Trinder 8. For evening serrice, 420 Grandsire Triples: J. Monk, conductor, and E. Browr taking part.
HAMNIERSMITH SIT. PAUL'S.-On Jan. 26th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples, in 44 mins.: J. Ross 1, E. Cassell 2, H. Stevens 3, R. Nackrill 4, J. Felley 5, G. Iles 6, F. Skevington (conductor) 7, P. C. Brooks 8 . First quarter-peal in the method by all.

SAWSTON.-On Nor. 2nd, at St. Mary's Church, after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal of Donble Norwich, a quarter-peal of Sted man Triples, in 40 mins.: G. Taylor 1, T. R. Dennis 2, P. Webb 3, B. 1). Buttress 4. F. Barlier 5, K:-v. H. S. T. Richardson 6, Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt Drake 7, J. H. R. Freeborn 8. Rung as a farewell to Rev. II. S. T. Richardson.

LANGHAM, JESEX.-On Nor. 2ni, for evening service, 720 Oxford Treblo Rob: S. Denton 1, A. Smith, junr., 2, A. Smith, senr., 3, W. Mead 4, H. Deares 5, F. Smith (conductor) 6. Also several touches of Bob Minor, with D. Wellam and F. Starling taking part.
ROMFORD.- Jissex Association.-At St. Edward's Church, for evening servicic, on Nov. 3rd, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1260 changes): G. R. Pye 1, 'I. A. Pye 2, E. J. Butier 3. A. Pye 4, *W. A. Pye 5, H. F. Dawlins 6, E. Pye (conductor) 7, W. Watson 8. * First quarterw peal of fterman.

HEREFORD.-At St. Nicholas' Church, on Nov. 3rd, 720 Grandsire Doubles: *W. Lloyd 1, *C. Jones 2, R. Treherne (conductor) 3, H. Beavan 4, W. Fletcher 5, *H. Palmer 6. * First 720.

WOLIASTON, WORCESTERSHTRE.-On Nov. 3rd, for evening service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. Williams 1, R. Matthews (conductor) 2, J. Bass 3, C. E. Perkins 4, W. J. Bretherton 5, C. F. White 6.-On Nov. 10th, for morning service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: J. Williams 1, R. Matthews (conductor) 2, J. Bass 3, C. E. Perkins 4, F. Brace 5, C. F. White 6. Rung as a farewell to C. F. White, who left the district for London with the best wishes of the band for his future welfare.
BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER.-On Sunday, Nov. 3rd, 720 Bob Minor: H. E. Gillett 1, W. E. Stratford 2, C. H. Bird 3, J. Collett 4, F. H. Bird 5, W. Stratford (conductor) 6. F. M. . and C. H. Bird latil from Shipston-on-Stour.
HARWELL, BERKS.-On Now. 12th, 216 and 240 Grandsire Minor: E. Cox 1, W. Hitchman 2, V. I. Hitchman 3, H. C. Mulford 4, G. C. Rice 5, R. G. Rice (conductor) 6.-On Nov. $26 \mathrm{th}, 360$ Grandsire Minor: E. Cox 1, T. Hughes 2, V. R. Hitchman 3, H. C. Mulford 4, R. G. Rice (conductor) 5, W. 'Hitchman 6.

HAGBOURNE, BERKS.-On Nov. 20th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. Cox 1, H. Bishop 2, A. Yates 3, W. Napper 4, T. East (conductor) 5, R. G. Rice 6, J. S. Napper 7. W. Warwick 8.- On Nov. 27 th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples by the same ringers, conducted by R. G. Rice.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.-At St. Margaret's Church, Nov. 17th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: A. J. Gilbert 1. T. Moulden 2, F. Looker 3, G. Lancaster 4, J. Tuckweli 5, W. G. Lancaster (conductor) 6. -On Nov. 18th, 720 London Surprise Minor: A. J. Gilbert 1, R. W. Hyner 2, F. Looker 3, W. G. Lancaster 4, G. Lancaster (conductor) 5, C. J. Gardiner 6. First 720 in the method on the bells.-On Nov. $23 \mathrm{r} \cdot \mathrm{d}$, 720 London Surprise Minor, with T. Moulden treble, rest as before.

SHJPLeY, SUSSEX.-On Sunday, Nov. 24th, for morning service, 720 Cambridge Surprise and 144 Kent and Oxford Treble Bob: W. Denman, junr., 1, T. Adams 2, R. H. Bowell 3, G. Irucas 4, A. W. Groves 5, A. Cripps (oonductor) 6. In the afternoon, 720 Carlisle, and a course of London Surprise: W. Denman, junr., 1, T. Adams 2, R. H. Bowell 3, A. W. Groves (Heene) 4, J. F. Bowell 5, A. Cripps (conductor) 6. First attempt at Carlisie and London Surprise by A. W. Groves.

STROUD.-On Nov. 26th, 518 Grandsire Triples: R. W. Watts (longest length) 1, A. F. Cooke 2, E. H. Tribe 3, H. Smith 4, H. Scrivens (conductor) 5, W. J. Faulk 6, W. Hastings 7, W. White 8 .

CONGRESBURY.-Bath and Wells Association.-On Nov. 26th, at St. Andrew's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: ${ }^{*}$ W. Fisher 1, G. Fisher 2, ${ }^{*}$ E. Standen 3, *W. G. Standen 4, ${ }^{*}$ R. Ficher 5, T. E. Francis 6, G. Chamberlane (conductor) 7 , *G. Jones 8. * First quarter-peal of Triples. First quarter-peal of Triples on the bells.

EVESHAM.-Worcestershire Association.-On Nov. 26 th, at St. Peter's Church, in 50 mins., a quarter-peal of Bob Minor ( 1260 changes) : F. Witts 1, T. Middleton 2, J. Hampton 3, H. Street 4, W. Gisborne 5, J. Hemming (conductor) 6. First quarter-peal of Minor by all the band except the conductor.

EDENBRIDGE.-On Nov. 25th, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major ( 1280 changes), in 52 mins., for a mission service: R. Stone 1, J. Heasman (conductor, first in method) 2, G. Malyan 3, W. Leigh 4, E. Leigh 5, T. Wallis 6, J. Stecidy 7, A. Belton 8.

SOUNTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE. - On Nov. 26th, at the Parish Church, a date touch of Bob Major (1912 changes): R. Oliver 1, N. Short 2, W. A. Miller 3, T. H. Parkin 4, T. E. Smith 5, H. Strickland 6, C. H. Bird 7, G. Vamplew (conductor) 8.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNT.-On Nov. 28th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: G. Garnett 1, J. Hall 2, J. W. Holme 3, R. Wimpenny 4, H. Wolstencroft (first quarter-peal with bob bell) 5, H. Palmer 6, W. Wolstencroft (conductor) 7, E. Barton 8.

RUGBY.- The Warwickshire Guild.-On the Eve of St. Andrew's Day, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 50 mins. ( 1260 changes): G. Watson, junr., 1, R. Watson 2, H. O. White 3, A. J. Hessian (con${ }_{8}$ ductor) 4, J. B. Fenton 5, J. W. Chandler 6, J. A. Fenton 7, W. Malins 8.

WARGRAVE, BERKS.-At the Parish Church, on Queen Alexandra's birthday, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Elsley 1, P. Elslep 2, A. Guy 3, R Fuller 4, W. Fuller (conductor) 5, G. Bayliss 6.
UPHAM.-On Nov, 30th, at the Parish Church, 1260 Grandsire Doubles, in 45 mins.: C. Strubbington 1, G. Pullinger 2, A. Stubbington 3, W. G. Edpards (conductor) 4, W. Grifin 5, W. Kimber 6. Longest length by all except the conductor.

WICKEAMBREAUX, KENT.-On St. Andrew's Day, at St. Andrew's Church, 720 Bob Minor, in 23 mins.: W Maxted 1, S . White (conductor) 2, T. Jones 3, S. Walter 4, E. Slingsby 5, H. Smith 6.
STURRY, KENT-OO Dec. 1st, for men's service, 720 Kent Treble Bob, in 23 nims.: W. Maxted 1, S. White (conductor) 4, W. Wood 3 , F. Jones 4, H. Smith 5, E. Slingsly 6.

## NOTICES.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on February i8th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the I 3 th and 27 th ; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 18th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 25 th. Also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturday evenings. St. Magnus 7.30, the others 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Yorktown District.-Quarterly meeting at Walton on Saturday, February 8th, commencing at 4 p.m. Tea in Church Hall at $5 \cdot 30$. All ringers welcome.-G. B. Edser, Honorary Secretary, r70, Gipsy Road, West Norwood.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society).-The annual general meeting and election of officers will take place on February 8th. The towers of St. Sepulchre's and St. Andrew's, Holborn, E.C., will be open from 4 to 6 p.m. Tea at 6.30 at the King of Denmark, 7 d. per head, business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.-F. J. Hardy, Honorary General Secretary, 34, Guildford soad, South Lambeth, S.W.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Walkden, on Saturday, February 8th, at 5 o'clock. Meeting at 7.G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch.-A meeting will be held at West Derby on Saturday, February 8 th. Bells ready at 5.30.-Walter Hughes, Branch Secretary.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch.-The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Milnrow Parish Church on Saturday, February 8th, I913. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Business meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-V. H. Bastow, Branch Secretary.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Derby District. -The annual meeting for the election of officers will be held at St. Alkmund's Church, Derby, on Tuesday, February $x$ ith, at $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome.-W'. Wallace, io, Goodale Road, Derby.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendate Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held at St. James, Harlingden, on Saturday, February 15 th, 1913 . Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30.- J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary, 3I, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - A branch meeting will be held at Padiham on Saturday, February 15 th, igi3. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - The next quarterly meeting and 6 -bell contest will be held at Mytholmroyd on Saturday, February i5th, i9i3. Bells available from 3 p.m. Ballot for order cf ringing at 2.45 p.m. in the schoolroom. Tea will be provided at 6 d . each for those who order from me by February ioth.-F. Salmons, Secretary, 8, Salisbury Place, Halifax.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The spring meeting will be held at Wickhambreaux and Littlebourne on Saturday, February 22nd, I9I3.

Towers opened at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at Wickhambreaux at 5 p.m. Tea kindly provided by Rev. G. Hyde Smith in the Village Club Room at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will all those who intend being present kindly let me know by Tuesday, February 18th.-E. Trendell, Honorary District Secretary, Boughton, Faversham.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Central Divi-sion.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Crawley on Saturday, February 22nd. Tower open 3 till 9 . Service 4.15. Tea at 5 o'clock, at Mr. Leggett's, North Gate, by kind invitation of the Rector, to those who let me know by Tuesday, February 18th.-A. D. Stone, Divisional Hon. Secretary, 29, Ashton Street, Brighton.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Ashford District.-A meeting of the above will be held at Wye on Saturday, February 22nd. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Special service at 5 o'clock. An allowance of one penny per mile one way, maximum 2s., will be paid to all members attending. Subscriptions are now due, and will be cheerfully accepted at the meeting by C. Tribe, Honorary District Secretary, British Schools Villas, Tenterden.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-The annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at Ye Olde Royal Hotel, Temple Row, Birmingham, on Saturday, Narch ist, at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The chair will be taken by Sir Arthur Percival Heywood, Bart. Tickets free to fully qualified members whose subscriptions are paid up to date, to other members and friends 2 s . 6d. each.-A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, in, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.
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## PRESENTATION AT TRING.

The ringere attached to the Trinity Parish Church have made a presentation to Mr. G. W. T. Smith, who, during his residence at Tring, has acted as hon. instructor. The Vicar (the Rev. M. Francis) handed to Mr. Smith a handsome brass petroleum lamp. with incandescent burncr, with the hearty thanks of himself and the ringers, and the hope that progress in change ringing might be continued during 1913. -Mr F. Reeve, the foreman, also cordially acknowledged the services of Mr. Smith, who, in reply, thanked the Vicar and ringers for their kindness; and, while expressing his satisfaction with the work already done, urged perseverance in the future.
On January 10th, Mr. Smith left Tring for Sandwich, Kent, and on Sunday, January 5th, శ farewell touch of 518 Grandsire Triples was rung by: F. Reeve 1, G. W. T. Smith (eonductor) 2. H. Lovell 3, A. Tomplins 4, II Heley 5, w. Grove 6, W. Melville 7, $\mathfrak{J}$, Wells 8.

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I am authorised by tine Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualifed to fudre, we heve now, undoubtedly, one of the beat peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F. T. BFOKK,

Architeot, Diocearm Burvejor,

## MODERN WORK.

## THE DIVISION OF YORKSHIRE.

In the annual report of the Yorkshire Association, which we published last week, there was an important matter affecting the future welfare of the organisation. The committee are requesting the members to consider the question of the division of the county into districts for administrative purposes, with a view, we take it, to coming to a decision at the next annual meeting. The Yorkshire Association was one of the very earliest of the county organisations to be established, it covers the biggest area, and yet it is one of the last to adopt the divisional system. There may be something to be said for a centralised administration, but we believe its advantages are far outweighed by those of a properly decentralised system.

Many of the best associations owe their present very satisfactory condition to the fact they have split their area into more or less self-contained districts. By this means the ringers are brought into far closer and more active relation. It enables meetings to be held more frequently at the varjous towers, and members are able to participate in the proceedings, who otherwise for lack of opportunity would lose touch with and interest in the doings of the organisation. In a large county, particularly like Yorkshire, it is only possible to visit the principal centres very occasionally, when but foum meetings a year are held, and it may be years before a member in one corner may have the chance of attending such a gathering, unless he has both time and money to spare. He cannot attend the meetings, he knows but little of his association's doings, and consequently his membership becomes a very filmy thing, which it takes but little to break.

On the other hand, well organised districts bring him into close touch with the association, by means of frequent meetings in his own neighbourhood, and, where, as in the best governed organisations, certain administrative power is given, he becomes far keener upon the work and the progress of his division. Yorkshire, we think, cannot go wrong in taking the suggested step so long as it gives to its subsidiary districts sulficient control over the affairs of those districts to keep the members interested in its management. Many advantages must also accrue from the opportunities which the more frequent meetings give to those who desire to advance in the art of ringing itself. Many a man can trace his progress to the stimulus received at a district meeting, where a word of encouragement or a chance to practice a new method gave him just that impetus that was necessary. We think Yorkshire will be well-advised to go ahead with its division, which will but add strength to its numbers and solidity to its ranks.

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

## LIVERPOOL.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND
THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.
On Saturday, February 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-five Minuto, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5037 CHANGES; Tenor 38 cwt.
Herbert Stansfield ...Tyeble Joseph Ridyard
Herbert Stansfield ....jeble Joseph Ridyard
Thomas $. . . \quad . . . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Benjamin Gill......
Thomas Jakeman $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad 3 \quad$ Samdel Booth... $\quad . .$. Tom Wilde ... ... ... 4 *William Davies ... ... io Jonathan Broadbent ... 5 Samuel Wood ... ... ... ir -George Woodhall ... ... 6 Benjamin Thorp ... .... Tenor Composed and Conducted by Samuel Wood.

* First peal of Grandsire Cinques. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Daniel Heap, of Ashton.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

NORWICH
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. PETER MANCROFT GUILD.
On Tuesday, February 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,
A PEAL OF DOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 43 cwt. r qr. 88 lbs .
George R. Day... ... ...Treble George P. Burton... ... 6 Alexander Potter ......$\quad 2 \quad$ Harry J. Borrett ... ${ }^{-.}$.. 7 Walter G. Cotbush ... 3 Charles W. Bullen ... 8 Frank H. Phillips ... ... 4 John E. Burton ... ... 9 Charles E. Borrett ... 5 | George Mayers … .... ${ }^{9} 9$

Composed by J. A. Trollope, and
Conducted by John E. Burton.

* First peal of Bob Royal on the bells.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Tuesday, Februaly 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,

## At Charles' Church

A PEAL OF GRANBSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;
Tenor 23t cwt., in $D$.


Francis Purse. . First from tenor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Francis Purse.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Satuday, February 8,1913, in Three Hou's and Eighteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5091 CHANGES;

Tenor $20 \frac{8}{4}$ cwt., in E flat.
Frank Holder ... ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ William S. Smith ... ... 6 James W. Trappitt ..... $.12 \quad 2 \quad$ Edgar Hancox...... Dr. A. B. Carpenter $\quad . .3$ Alfred J. Trappitt ... 8 William H. Joiner ... ... 4 Joseph J. Pratt ... ... 9 Alfred Clayton ... ... 5 Charles Kippen ... ...Tenor

Composed by Edgar Bennett, and Conducted by Frank Holder.
Messrs. Hancox and Pratt hail from Hillingdon, and were elected members of the Association previous to starting.

## LEEDS, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 8, 1913, in Theee Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 20 cwt .
Edwin Barnett, Junr. ...Treble $\dagger$ Fredk. W. Richardson... 6 Edwin Barnett, Senr. ... 2 George H. Daynes ... 7 - Reginald Brough ... ... 3 *Edward A. G. Allen ... 8 Thomas Mannering $\cdot . .4$ Wililam J. Jeffries ... 9 George Moore... ... ... 5 William Haigh ... ...Tenor Composed by J. A. Trollope, and Conducted by Edwin Barnett, Senr.

* First peal on ten bells. $\dagger$ First peal of Royal ; also the first peal of Bob Royal by all the band.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (Bath Branch.) On Saterday, February 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Holt's Ten-Part. Theodore Grant ... ...Treble Charles W. Bell.... ... 5 William J. Prescott ... 2 Herbert E. Holder ... 6 Francis Cannings ... ... 3 †Thomas F. King ... ... 7 Horace D. Taylor ... ... 4 *James H. Merrett... ... Tenor Conducted by W J. Prescott.

* First peal. † Fiftieth peal. Rung in honour of the birth of a son to the Rev. J. N. Boughton (curate-in-charge of St. Peter's. Twerton) and Mrs. Boughton. It was also a quarterly peal for the district.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Monday, February 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES; Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lbs.
William Ostler ... ...Treble John C. Self ... ... ... 5 Stanley Bonney ... ... 2 Hobart E. Smith ... ... 6 Robert H. Hayward ... 3 William Burgess ... ... 7 Wllliam Flory ... ... ... 4 George E. Symonds ...Tenor

Composed by the Rev. J. Holme Pilington, and
Conducted by George E. Symonds.
Rung in honour of the composer's 27 th year as Rector.
EPSOM, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Fobruary, 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-mine Minutes, At Christ Church,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

J. J. Parker's Six-Part.

George A. Cook ... ...Tveble John Crawford ... ... 5 Alfred Mann ... ... ... 2 Thomas Tutte... ... ... 6 William H. Corbett $\cdots{ }^{-\cdots} \quad 3$ Richard Kendall .... ... 7 *Willtam Robinson... ... 4 Robert Etherington ...Tenor Conducted by William H. Corbett.

* First peal in the method.


## BATHWICI, BATH.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Tuesday, Ficbruary 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,a ${ }^{\circ}$ At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Chances; Holt's Ten-Part. jrederick C. Rich ... ...Treble Thomas Hogsflesh ... ... 2 mogsflesh ... ... 2 Herbert E Holder albert E. Alexander ... 3 Richard J. Cousins Albert E. Seers ... ... . 4 Charies Densley ... Conducted by Richard J. Cousins.
The quickest peal on the bells.

REDDISH, STOCKPORT.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD.
(Bowdon and Stockport Branch.)
On Tuesday, February 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Elizabeth,
A PEAL OF STEDPAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thurstans' Reversed. Tenor $12 \frac{7}{2}$ cwt.
James W. Washbroor ...Treble
Alfred Barnes ...
George D. Warburton... 5 W. W. Wolstencroft ... 6

Harry Chapman ... ... 7 James Barnes ... ... .... Tenor Conducted by J. W. Washbrook.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, February 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, $\infty$ At the Chorch of St. John, Waterloo Road, S.E.,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORHICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;
Tenor 20 cwt.

 | Alfred W. Grimes ... | ... | 3 | Bertram Prewett ... | .. | 7 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Harold Burton... | .. | .. | 4 | James E. Davis | .. | .. |

Composed by J. W. Washbrook, and Conducted by Alfred W. Grimes.
This is Edwin F. Pike's 50th peal.

## CENTENARY PEAL.

 GUILDFORD, SURREY. THE WINCHES'EER DIOCESAN GUILD. (Holy Trinity Society.)On Friday, February 7, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Holi's Original.
Tenor 23 cwt .3 qr. 8 lb ., in E flat.
*Charles N. Burdock

Henry Hutton... ... ... 3 Alfred H. Pulitng ... 7 Ben Chorley ... ... ... 4 Charles Willshire ...Tenor Conducted by Charles Willshire.

* First peal of Grandsire. This peal was arranged and rung on the rooth anniversary of a peal of Grandsire Triples rung on the old bells in three hours and eight minutes, and by a remarkable coincidence the centenary peal was rung in exactly the same time. Mr. H. Hutton is a descendant of one of the original ringers.


## EDMONTON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Saturday, February, 8, 7913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At ife Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, $\quad 688$ CHANCES;


HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Or Saterday, February 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor $19 \frac{3}{3}$ cwt.


Composed by A. Knights, and Conducted by W. Last.

* First peal. First peal as conductor.


## CHORLEY

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Preston Branch.)
On Saturday, February S. 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Taylor's Six-Part.
$\dagger$ Arnold A. Blackwell ...Treble
Harry Jones
John H. Gartside ......
*Thomas Lofthouse ... 4 tEdwar Gent ... ... .... Tenor Conducted by W. H. Hunter.

* First peal. † First peal in the method. First peal as conductor.


## WEST HARTLEPOOL

THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, February 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Tiolve Minutes, At the Church of St. Oswald,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Brooks' Variation.
†William Letty ... ...Treble
William Pillar
*William Holmes
… 3 Thomas Metcalfe ... ... 7 Conducted by Thomas Mercalfe.
$\dagger$ First peal in the method, and rung at the first attempt. * First peal in the method.

EASTON NESTON, NORTHANTS.
THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION AND THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February S, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

## Holt's Ten-Part.

James Slarke ... ... ...Treble Fred Hopper ... ... 2
*Cecil H. Slarke Thomas Law

Tenor $10 \frac{1}{6}$ cwt.
Charles S. Faulkner ... 5 George Basford ... ... 6 William Roberts ... ... 7 John Freeman... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Fred Hopper.

* First peal on eight bells. J. Freeman was elected a member of the Towcester and District Association previous to starting for the peal. After the peal the company were lindly entertained to tea by J. Slarke. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Rev. R C. Collins for the use of the bells.


## LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 8, 1913, in Three Hoars and Twenty-eight Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,

## a Peal of kent treble bob Major, 5088 changes;

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\text { Tenor } 23 \text { cwt., in } D \text { flat. }
$$

Arthur Symonds ... ...Treble Frederick G. Dewell... 5 W. R. John Poulson ... 2 Charles Woodcock ... 6 George Lambert ... ... 3 Thomas W. Garrard ... 7 William Fayers ... ... 4 Thomas Pryke... ... ....Tenor Composed by the late Wm. Garrett, of Ipswich, and Conducted by A. Symonds.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, February 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Giles-in-the Fields,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES; Tenor 18 cwt .

| Charles T. Coles | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Treble | William Pye ... | ... | ... | 5 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bertram Prewett | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Redben Sanders | $\ldots$ | ... | 6 |
| Isaac G. Shade... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Bart. Mitchell | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 7 |
| Albert H. Ward | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Alfred W. Grimes | $\ldots$ | ... | Tenor | Composed by Garriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Charles T. Coles.

Messrs. Ward and Mitchell hail from Derby.

MARSHFIELD, MONMOUTHSHIRE THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 8, 1913, in Two How's and Fifty-one Minutes; At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Pitstow's Variation. Teidor in cwt.
John W. Jones... ... ...Tveble
*William B. Biss
... ... 2
John Butler ...
John Bullen...
A. Victor Morgan... ... 4 †Frederick Stanbury ...Tenor

Conducted by Arthur E. Morgan.

* First peal in the method. † First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Lilian Biss, daughter of the ringer of the 2nd. First peal of Stedman on the bells.


## BENNINGTON, HERTS

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
J. Carter's Twelve-Part.

Tenor ize cwt.
William H. Lawrence ...Treble *John Hale ... ... ... 5
Alfred Talbot... ... ... 2 George Gray ... ... ... 6
Herbert R. Gray ... ... 3 Jack Warner ... ... ... 7.
*Henry Bolter... ... ... 4 Walter Smith... ... .... ...Tenor Conducted by Alfred Talbot.

* First peal. First peal as conductor


## ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, February 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Abbey Church of SS. Thomas and Edmund (R.C.).

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANCES;

Heywood's Transposition
Bernard W. Witchell ...Treble
John Jennings ... ... ... 2
Edwin Stringer ... ... 3
George Parsons ... ... 4

## Tenor 15 cwt.

George Roberts ... ... 5 Thomas Bloore ... ... 6 Bertram G. Leedham ... 7 Jacob Seaborn... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Bernard W. Witchell.
All the band are service ringers, four at the above Church and four at the Parish Church, Sutton Coldfield. The peal was rung in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Small, of Tipton, Staffs, to whom both bands offer their congratulations and best wishes.

## TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD' AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Saturday, February 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes. At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Carter's No. 33 . Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
John Carter ... ... ...Tyeble
Sampel Reeves ... ...

| .. 1 yeble | Benjamin GOUGH | ... | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| .. | 2 | Alfred Rowley | ... | .. |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |

William Rock Small ... 3 James E. Groves...
William H. Godden.. .4 . 4 *Harry S. Smith...
Conducted by John Carter.

* First peal of Stedman. The above was rung to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr . and Mrs, William Rock Small.


## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Eightecn Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Philip Allfrey...
... ...Treble
Herbert Rann ... ... ... 2 John Capp...
John Capp... ... ..... .5
William C. Hart ... .... 3 ...
Henry Stalham ...... 4 Keith Hart
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and
Conducted by lieith Hart,
Rung as a birthday compliment to FI. Rann.

## UFFORD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Febnaary 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
a PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Holt's Original.
Tames Motts ... ... Troble
George E. Symonds
Robert H Hayward
Alfred E. Acfield ... ... 4

Tenor I4 cwt.
William Burgess ... ... 5 Charles E. Fisher H. William Baldry ... 7

Harry R. Smith ... ...Tenor Conducted by George E. Symonds.

## SIX 8 FIVE BELL PEALS.

## EASTON, SUFFOL

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, February 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-tno Minutes,
At the Chorch of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob.
Joseph Tarrant... ... ...Tveble ${ }^{\text {Thobart E. Smith ... ... } 4}$
George Berry ... ... ... 2 William Burgess ... ... 5
Robert H. Hayward ... 3 George E. Symonds ...Tenor
Conducted by George E. Symonds.
This is the first peal on the bells.

BREDENBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, February 3, 1913, in Tïo Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor $9 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.
*Charles Bethel ... ...Treble Alfred Tomkins ... ... 4 Herbert Lambert ... ... 2 *Richard Bethel ... ... 5 Wileiam Watkins ..... .3 3 William Quartley... ...T Tenoy

Conducted by A. Tomkins.
*First peal. First peal by the local band. The ringers wish to thank the Rector (the Rer. H. C. Green Price) for his kindness in providing refreshments after the peal.

## ROYDON, ESSEX,

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION

On Tuesday, February 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CNANGES;

Being three 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and one of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt.
George Dent ... ... ...Treble Isaac Cavill ... ... ... 4 +Charles Peacock ... ... 2 "John Cordell ... ... ... 5 *William Deller ... ... 3 *Harry Smale ... ... ... Tenor Conducted by Harry Smale.

* First peal in three methods. † First peal and first attempt. First peal as conductor and first attempt.


## BARCOMBE, SUSSEX.

On Tuesday, February 4, 1913, in Tao Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL 0 C CRANDSIRE dOUbles, 5040 Chances;

Being 42 Six-Scores. Tenor 7 cwt .2 qr .9 lbs.
*Sidney B. Richards ...Treble Albert E. Anscombe ... 4 Frederick J. Martin ... 2 †James Morley... ... ... 5 William H. Banks ... 3 *Harry Fonnell ... ...Tenor Conducted by Albert E. Anscombe.
*First peal. + First peal with a bob bell. The conductor's first attempt at calling a peal. The peal was rung as a birthday compliment, on the 8oth anniversary of the birthday of Mr. J. Burder, who for 33 years las been churchwarden, and for 35 years has read the lessons at the above church. This is the first peal rung by members of the local band (who have all learnt to ring since Easter, 1912) without their instructor, Mr. A. E. Edwards.

## LIVERPOOL.

THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, February 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary, Walton-on-the-Hill,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 GHANCES:

Being 720 each of London, Canterbury, Chester, Carlile, Beverley, York and Cambridge. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| Henry Harrison | $\ldots$. | .. Treble | James Martin ... | ... | ... | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | John Wilkinson... ... ... 2 Herbert H. Barker ... 5 James W. Bell... ... ... 3 |Henry Fyles ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by J. Martin.

* First Surprise peal. Messrs. Harrison and Bell were elected members before starting. This is the first Surprise peal by the above Guild.

WROXHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, February 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Called in four different ways. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
*C. R. Chamberlin ... ...Tyeble *A. Webb ... ... ... ... 4
*E. Warnes ... ... ... 2 .H. Spurgeon ... ... ... 5

Conducted by S . Nunn.

* First peal. First peal as conductor by S. Nunn. First peal on the bells by the Wroxham company.


## HORSMONDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, February 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being 720 of College Single, four $720^{t}$ s of Oxford Bob, and one each of Plain Bob and Canterbury Pleasure.


TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, February 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each? of Hexham, Surfleet, Berwick, Beverley, London,

Wells and York.
Clarence Gooch
$\begin{array}{clc}\ldots & \ldots . \text { Treble } \\ \ldots & \cdots & 2\end{array}$
George Snelling
Bertie Turner...

Tenor 20 cwt .
Frederick Manser ... ... 4 John Snelling... ... ... 5
Frederick Seager ... ... Tenor Conducted by F. Manser.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Fsbruary 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, London, Burton, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

| Charles Nonn... | $\ldots$ | ... Treble | Alphaeds Berry | .. | .. | 4 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Edward Yodngs... | $\ldots$ | .. | 2 | William Clover | .. | .. | 5 |  |
| Leonard Last | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | William Rose... | .. | .. | Tenor | Conducted by William Rose.

Rung with the bells half-muffled on the anniversary of the death of the late Majur-General the Hon. Arthur Henniker-Major (whose death was greatly lamented throughout the parish), a memorial service having been held during the afternoon.

## MARTLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Western Branch.)
On Thursday, Febvary 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of College Single, Canterbury, Grandsire, and two of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor I2 cwt.
*Samuel I. Eaton ... ...Treble William Ranford ... ... 4 $\dagger$ Ernest E. Barber... ... 2 William Short ... ... 5 Rev. J. F. Hastings ... 3 Ernest Gibbs ... ... ... Tenor Conducted by William Short.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Minor inside. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Harold Gardener and Miss Moore, of Stanford-on Teme.

BANHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

| William Mears... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Tyeble | Thomas FitzJohn | ... | ... | 4 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Fred Poulson | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Charles Carter | $\ldots$ | .. | 5 |
| Fred Borrows ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Sydney Annison | $\ldots$ | ... | Tenor |  | Conducted by Sydney Annison

First peal known to have been rung on the bells.
BARLEY, HERTS
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Monday, February 10, 1913, in Two Hou's and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5160 GHANGES;

In seven methods, consisting of 720 changes each of Plain Bob, Old Doubles, Morning Star, Dream, Oxford Singles, St. Dunstan's and 840 Grandsire. N. Hayes ... ... ... ...Tveble W. Mansfield... ... ... 3
 R. Howard ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by R. Howard.
This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd, whose birthday was the Saturday previous; also as a farewell to H. Howard, a member of the above company, who left the same day for Groombridge. First peal in seven methods by the band.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, February 3, 1913, in Tao Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
In the Vestry of St. Margaret's Chorch,
A PEAL OF KENT TRERLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;
James M. Bailey ... ... I-2 | Ernest S. Bailey ... 5-6 Charles F. Bailey.. .3 3-4 Charles Sampson...... Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by Charles F. Bailey. Umpire: F. W. Bailey.
Rung as a birthday compliment to J. M. Bailey -

## RETFORD, NOTTS.

THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, February 3, 1913, in One Hour and Fifty-seven Minutes, At Alma Vilea, London Road,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
In ten methods : i Double Court and Reverse Hereward, ii Hereward and Double Oxford, iii College Single, iv St. Clement's, v Double Bob and Plain Bob, vi Single Court, vii Oxford Bob, Was tapped by John Segar, Junt.
Witnesses: David Beagg and S. Tallents. This is the first peal that has been tapped in ten methods.

RETFORD, NOTTS.
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, February 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes. At the Residence of J. Segar, Senr., Alma Villa,

A PEAL OF BINOR, 7200 CHANCES;
Being 720 each of College Single, St. Clement's, Double Bob, Plain Bob, Single Court, Oxford Bob, Double Court, Reverse Hereward, Hereward and Double Oxford,
Tapped on handbells by John Segar, Junr.
Witnesses: G. R. Winter and G. W. D. Metcalfe.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUXLD.
On Wednesday, February 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Residence of A. H. Pulling,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5093 CHANGES;
Septimus Radford... ... i-2 ${ }^{2}$ Willoughby E. Maulden 5-6 Alfred H. Pulling $\ldots 3^{-4}$ | Thomas W. Radford ... 7 - 8 Frank Blondell ... ... 9-io
Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling. Witness: Mrs. Puleing.

* First peal of Grandsire Caters on an inside pair.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thu'saay, February 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Nine Minutes, In the Vestry of St. Margaret's Church,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;
James M. Bailey ... ... 1 - 2 Charles F. Bailey ... 5-6. Ernest S. Bailey... ... 3-4 | Charles Sampson... ... 7-8;

Composed by James Motts, and Conducted by Charles F. Bailey. Umpire: E. H. Bailey.
First peal of Oxford in hand by all.
LONDON
THE MIDDIESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, Febraary 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Taenty-seven Minutes.
At George IV., Bronswick Street, Haggerston,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 GHANGES;

George R. Pye
William Pye... William Pye.
... I-2
... 3-4
... $5-6$

William Shepherd ... 7-8 Arthur F. Shepherd... 9-Io Alfred W. Grimes ... if-iz
Composed by Nathan f, Pitstow, and
Conducted by William Pye.
Umpire: $W$. Hewett.
First peal of Treble Bob Maximus in hand by all.

## HARWICH, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, February 7, 1913. in One Hour and Fifty-fire Minutes. At the Residence of A. T. Morris,

## a PEAL OF KENT treble bob major, 5088 Changes;

Arthur T. Morris... ... I-z | Thomas H. Bernard ... 5-6 George Thompson... ... 3-4 | Tower Taylor ... ... $\quad$ 7- 8

Composed by W. Harrison, and
Conducted by A. T. Morris.
Umpire: W. Barwood.

## OXHEY, HERTS

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 8, 1913, in Two Hou's and Twenty-five Minutes,
At 43. Heath Road,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANQES; Thurstans' Four-Part.
Willie Roughton... ... I-2 $\quad$ George N. Price ... ... 5-6 Hubert Eden......$\quad \ldots \quad$... 3 - 4 Frank T. Martin......

Conducted by George N. Price.
Umpire: Francis A. Smith.

## CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Saturday, February 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Seven Minutes, At Trinity College,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

*J. Broce Williamson... $\left.\begin{aligned} & \text { I-2 } \\ & \text { E. Madrice Atkins } . . . \\ & 3-4\end{aligned} \right\rvert\,$ Relilam D. James .... 5-6
E. Madrice Atkins ... 3-4 Rev. A. H. F. Boughey 7-8 Composed by W. Harrison, and
Conducted by E. Maurice Atkins.

* First peal in the method.


## CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Saturday, February 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes, At Pembroke College,

## A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

*J. Broce Williamson... i-2 | William D. James ... 5-6
Rev. A. H. F. Booghey 3-4 †Frederick Barker ... 9-10
Composed by Rev. H. T. Richardson, and Conducted by William D. James

Umpire: G. E. S. Fursdon.
First peal of Royal away from the tenors. $\dagger$ First peal on ten bells. First peal of Royal as conductor. This is the Guild's 50th peal on handbells.

## CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Sunday, February 9, 1913, in One Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At Pembroke College,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
J. Bruce Williamson ... $\mathrm{I}-2$ William D. James

5-6
E. Maurice Atkins ... 3-4 Frederick Barker

7 -8
Composed by Tom Lockwood, and Conducted by William D. James.

Umpire: F. P. Cheetham

* First peal of Major in hand.


## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, February 10, 1913, in Two Hours and. Forty Minutes, At the Residence of A. H. Polling,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES;

Sepimpos Radford..
 Frank Blondell
Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by Alfred H. Polling.

Witness: Mrs. Pulling.
Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. S. Radford.
In the report of the peal at St. John's, Deansgate, Manchester, published last week, the name of the ringer of the third was William Holbrooke.
In the peal at Leominster the ringer of the $4^{\text {th }}$ was John W. Jones, of Newport, Mon.

## THE DISPUTED PEAL AT WALLASEY.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-I have been requested by the ringers of St. Mary's, Liscard, to protest against the insinuation made by Mr. G. R. Newton in the last issue of "The Ringing World," namely, that Mr. W. Wilcox had said the peal at Wallasey was faise, because he (Mr. Wilcox) had Ween done out of his fees bv Mr. Newtou giring his services free. Mr. Wilcox has made innumerable visits to this tower, of which I have tho honour to be captain, and has never received one penny for his services, and has not even had his train fare paid. The lack of improvement here has been entirely the fault of the local men, who, for the most part, were content to go on in the same old way. Mr. Wilcox has been an ever welcome visitor here, and will be even more so now that Mr. T. Murray has taught us to ring Bob Major, and has enlivencd things generally in this part of the world. Whether the Wallasey peal was false or not, ringers who know Mr. Wilcox will not believe that he was moved by a spirit of jealousy or ill-feeling. Faithfully yours,
13. Wimbleclon Street, Liscard.
H. WILLIAMS.

## S'T. MARY ABBOTS' GUILD.

The annual dinner of the St. Mary Abbots' Guild took place on Friday evening last at the Parish Hall, Vicarage Gate. A company, numbering over 30, including several visitors, was presided over by the Vicar (the Rev. S. E. Pennefather, D.D.), supported by Messrs. Bennett and Garrard.
Letters regretting inability to attend were received from the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, and Messrs. W. T. Cockerill and J. A. Trollope. An excellent repast was served, following which Mr. W. E. Garrard (instructor) gave his annual report, in which he stated that the Guild was in a satisfactory condition, although the past year had not been a very good one. Since their last annual gathering they had lost, by death, a very dear friend and fellow member, Jarrold Hayward, who by his kind, genial, obliging and unassuming manner, had become endeared not only to themselves, but to all ringers by whom he was known. Four other members had left during the year, whilst two honorary and five ordinary members had been elccted, making a total of 26 ringers. The Sunday ringing had been the most satisfactory part of the year's work, the quality of the ringing being good, and the attendances of members both regular andpunctual. Owing to illness near the church, no practice was possible for over three months, which prevented much progress being made, both in the practice of the more advanced methods, and also in bringing their several probationers to a state of efficiency as ringers. It also had its effect financially, as no steepleage or fines were imposed during that period, and the funds of the Guild suffered in consequence. Only one atternpt for a peal at St. Mary Abbots' was possible during the year, this failing after ringing about half-way, owing to a change-course. They were more successful, however, at St. John's. Waterloo Road, on April 24th, with a peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major. The other principal performances included seven quarter-peals, consisting of three of Stedman Caters, three of Kent Treble Bob Royal, and one of Double Norwich Caters. The bells at the Parish Church had been rung on 26 ocoasions during the year for royal birthdays, weddings, etc., being eight less than the preceding year. Two tablets had recently been placed in the belfry, recording the peals rung in honour of the Coronation of Fis late Majesty King Elward VII and His Majesty King George V. Scarcely anything could be too good to record such historical events as these, and it was indeed gratifying to note that the boards were designed by their late lamented member and friend. Mr. J. Hayward, and executed by Mr. Dains, and were beautiful in the extreme. During the past year the tower had been visited by 53 ringers from various parts of the country, one visitor hailing from Australia.
The Charman, in expressing his best thanks to the Guild, said they always listened with great interest to Mr. Garrard's reports, which were always marked by extreme modesty. While some members were doubtless disappointed at the cases of illness which prevented their ringing, he was certain that they were ever ready to make the selfsacrifice involved, and none would wish to do otherwise in such a case. He was glad they had a successful year. It was true they had lost a few men in the Guild, but they welcomed the younger members of it, as it was to them they must ultimately look to continue the work. He went on to refer to the two boards which commemorated the Coronations, and trusted it might be a long while before it became necessary to place another in the belfry. He begged to thank Mr. Garrard for all he had done by his kindness and efficient help in conducting and managing the belfry. It was a consolation to know that they had so many members interested in this work. He, therefore, thanked them for their help, and trusted the Guild would continue to fourish under the able guidance of Mr. Garrard (applause).The Rev. Harold Brown (Chaplain of the Guild) proposed the toast of "The Visitors," which was responded to by Mr. T. Faulkner (Master of the College Youths), who said he noticed with interest the Vicar's remarks with reference to the necessity of care for tile younger members of the Guild, and also to the exercise of self-sacrifice on behalf of the sick. He was certain that the objects of the Guild made for true manliness of character, which was a point they must ever impress upon therr younger members. He wished every success to the St. Mary Abbats' Guild.
Mr. Daniells, speaking as an old mamber, congratulated the Guild upon the change ringing acoomplished, and expressed his warmest thanks to Mr. Garrad for the efficient manner in which he conducted the ringing.-The Rev. C. S. Durham and Mr. Winney aiso reciprocated the good wishes on behalf of the visitors.
The remainder of the evening was spent in the usual jovial manner, many taking part in the entertainment which followed, under the presidency of the Rev. H. Brown, and which included hanabell ringing, songs, etc.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A well-attenderl meeting of the Bolton branch was held at Walkden, on Saturday last, when ringers were present from Bolton, Tyldesley, Worsley, and Leigh, with some of the local company. Some very good touches of Stedman and Treble Bob were rung.-It was decided to hold the next meeting at St. 'Saviour's Church. Bolton.
BEDFORD.-At St. Peter's Church, on Jan 26th, 720 Cambridge Surprise: W. West 1, J. Cooke 2, C. W. Clarke 3, C Stapleton 4, W. Stapleton (conductor) 5. A. Robinson 6.

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## CENTRAL NORTHANTS CELEBRITIES.



The above photograph is composed of the first eight men to ring ioo peals for the Central Northants Association. To all who achieve this distinction the Association presents a gold medal, and it was arranged that these
eight should attempt a peal. Owing, however, to the illness of the late Mr. W. V. Newman the idea had to be abandoned.

## ODD CHANGES.

We live in an age when wonders come thick and fast upon one another. Only a month or two ago we recorded the two peals of Minor, one in three and the other in five methods, tapped by Mr. Segar, of Retford, and marvelled at the performance. Three weeks ago along came Mr. Broyd, of Gestingthorpe, with a peal tapped in seven methods, and now comes Mr. Segar again with two performances that outstrip either of these.

On the 3 rd of February he tapped a peal of 5040 , in seren true 720 's, made up of ten methods, spliced on the most approved plan, and followed it up two days later by a full 720 of each of the ten methods, making a peal of 7200 changes in all, which was completed in 2 hrs. 43 mins. When is the limit going to be reached? Not yet, we suppose, but really these tapped peals are wonderful.

A correspondent, writing with regard to the 5040 , says the peal had previously been written out, and the bobs and singles were ticked off as they were called by Mr. Segar. The treble was hunted through the peal by Mr. D. Blagg, and the tenor by Mr. S. Tallents, and it was all found exactly correct. The writer extends congratulations to Mr. Broyd upon his wonderful performance in seven methods, and fully agrees that the physical strain of tapping a peal of this kind is tremendous. Mr. Segar's performance is, of course, the first of its kind in ten methods.

While on the subject of handbell peals it is not uninteresting to note that next Tuesday (February 18th) is the anniversary of the first peal of Bob Royal rung " in hand." We are indebted to Mr. W. Hale, of Painswick, for the following extract from an old ringing book which belonged to the Bisley (Gloucester) Society of Ringers, and which bears on its title page the date 1677: "February i8th, 1777, was rung at Abingdon upon ten Hand Bells a Complete Peal of 5040 Plain Bob Method in 3 hours and ten minutes by ye five following persons, viz. :-

| Thomas Taylor | I-2 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Henry Parker | 3 |
| Jeremiah Wright | 5 |
| Benjamin Glanville | 7 |
| Edward Brooks | -10 |

It is the first Peal of the kind that ever was rung in this Kingdom.'

The screen erected by the ringers of this country to the memory of the late Rev. F. E. Robinson at Drayton, Berks, was dedicated by the Archdeacon of Berkshire on Saturday, in the presence of members of the family, numerous clergy and ringers.

Mr. T. H. Taffender has been elected Master of the London County Association, formerly the St. James' Society. It was largely to Mr. Taffender's efforts when filling the office of secretary that the fortunes of the old society were rehabilitated. He succeeds Mr. H. S. Ellis in the mastership.
'W. R." writes: " I don't know how near your paper has been to John O'Groats, but I have had the honour of taking it to Land's End. Working there last summer for about five months, I have read the 'Ringing World' with interest many a time on the rocks by 'the sad sea waves' in that remote spot." We wonder how near the " Ringing World " has been to John O'Groats.

The bells at Petrockstowe, Devon, which have been augmented to six, and the tenor recast, have been dedicated. The work has been splendidly carried out by Messrs. Stoke and Son, of Woodbury.

The first peal on the bells at Birling, Kent, was rung in 1891 and not 190i, as mentioned last week.

The centenary peal recorded at Guildford has a good deal of interest. The particulars of the peal of 1813 are to be found on the wall of the belfry in the following terms :-

On the 7 th day of February, 1813 was Performed a Peal of Grandsire Triples in ten courses, consisting of 5040 changes (an original of the Late Ingenious Mr. Holt), in three hours and eight minutes, by the following youths of this Town

Viz.

I Geo. Hutton
2 Wm . Baldwin
3 Wm. Copus
4 Wm. Hutton

5 Geo. Aldred 6 Wm . Mason 7 Isc. Wilson 8 Wm. Wrist Conducted by W. Baldwin, aged 24 . Mr. Ed. Upton and Mr. Sl. Russell, Churchwardens.

The peal of Kent Treble Bob Maximus on handbells recorded this week is, we believe, only the third in the method that has been rung in hand. It was rung at the first attempt, and after only one practice, when three courses (2016 changes) were rung. The other two peals were rung, one by the Norwich Association, at Diss, in 1889, conducted by Mr. J. Motts, and the other by the College Youths. A peal of Oxford Treble Bob Maximus was rung by a Sheffield band nearly a hundred years ago.

It is not uninteresting to note that with all the twelve bell ringing that has been done by the Middlesex Association in the 16 years of its existence, the peal on handbells recorded this week is only the third of Kent Maximus that the association has recorded, and, curiously, the last two were rung within a week.

## SHOREDITCH BELLS RESTORATION.

The bells have bcen removed to Messrs. Warner's foundry for repairs, and, unfortunately, it has been found that the four smaller bells will have to be recast. Fears hare been expressed that when the twelve bells are ringing, it will be impossible to hear the trebles. The harmonic or subsidiary tones overpower the fundamental note; or, to use every-day language, the bells are too heavy; they are choked with metal. It has been decided to have this work done. The trebles ( 1 and 2) were given to the church in 1823 by the Royal Cumberland Youths, and were cast by Mescrs. Mears. The second bell, when it has been recast, will bear the folloming inscription: "The treble and this bell were given by the Royal Cumberland Youths, 1823." The 3rd and 4th bells were cast by Messrs. Lester and Pack in 1765.
It has been decided to make provision in the new frame work for an extra bell to be placed in the tower if a sufficient sum can be obtained, so as to form a light ring of eight. Thus, if this bell can be added, ringers will have a 13 bell tower in London. It may be recalled that ringers who rang on these bells years ago always complained that the trebles could not be heard.
The new work will cost about $£ 100$ more, and subscriptions are earnestly asked for, and should be sent to Mr. H. J. Bradley, Clerk's House, Parish Church, Shoreditch, who will also be glad to supply collecting cards.

## THE BRISTOL SURPRISE RECORD.

To the $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ihititor: }\end{aligned}$
Sir,-I see in your last issue Mr. Winney says he is not having a "dig" at the Bristol Surprise record, but is simply correcting what he calls a mis-statement. What mis-taternents there are he has made them, as he is trying to convince the Exercise that there were serious trips, which did not occur. He says he was speaking to a friend at six o'clock, when a nasty trip was occuring. This so-called nasty trip was a bell missing a dodge in 3-4 down, and was hardly recognisable. If he calls this a nasty trip, I can understand him saying there was a serious trip at one o'clock, as I take it he would exaggerate as much what he was told as he did what he heard himself. No ene ever said that the peal was rung withont a mistake; what was said was that it was rung without any serious mistake, which was correct. It would be a difficult job to get eight men to ring a method like this for nearly ten hours without making a mistake; but I question if ever a peal of that length was rung with less, and I doubt very much if ever any long length was rung when the ringing reached a higher standard. I saw several ringers after the poal, soms of whom had heard every change, and no one had anything but praise for it. I did not ask Mr. Winney for any prase, neither do I want any unfair criticism, and I hope if he writes again he will confine himself to facts. I challenge him to bring anyone forward who heard any serious trip, and I ask him in future to criticise what he hears himself, and not do it on hearsay. I am not in the habit of doing this myself. If I were, I shoukl have criticised some recent performances in which Mr. Winney took part, as I was told that a muddle started in a peall, in which he was ringing recently, five leads from home, and that the bells wero never clear till they came into rounds. Me can congratulate himself on being a very fortunate man; he has subjected more than one to a lot of unfair criticism, and has escaped a lct himself which he ought never to have escaped. He may not always be so fortunate. W. PYE.
Dear Sir,-I deny most emphatically Mr. Winney's statement in last week's number, that there was a bad trip at 6 p.m., and a muddle at 1 p.m. Unfortunately, Mr. Winney is like many of the older generation of metropolitan ringers, he is projudiced against the younger generation, and thinks that they are much inferior to those of his own day. Morecver, he is a muoh keener critic outside the tower than when he is inside, and consequently a missed dodge becomes a bad trip, and a slight trip is magnified into a muddle. It seems strange that after eight months he should cast aspersions on the performance when at the time he congratulated us upon ringing a "splendid peal." There never was \& muddle at 1 p.m., but one man made a slight trip, which was rectified in two or three blows. Mr. Winney admits that he was not there at the time, but accepts and priblishes a statement made by others whose names are not mentioned. If Mr. Winney will take the advice of one of the younger generation, he will not attempt to belittle a splendid performance, but will get a band and try to beat our record. I'm sure Mr. Lindoff will oblige with a composition of 17.000 or 18,000 in the method.-Yours, etc.,

BERTRAM PREWETT.
Dear Sir,-I have followed with interest the controrersy with regard to the above, and notice that Mr. Winney has medified his original definition to " nasty trips.", I listened to the peal for just over seren hours; the "serious trip" at one o'clock only lasted aboat two wholo pulis (if as much as that), and even then the time of the changes was in no way deranged. The remainder of the bells were, in my humble opinion, striking perfectly, just the one ringer who had missed his work being out; this being so, the trip could hardly be termed as approaching a muddle.
The "nasty trip" at six o'clock, I regret, "escaped my nolice," and, tierefore, I must reluctantly refrain from comment, but Mr. W. Pye and his band would be well adviscd to treat all comments of a detrimental nature with the contempt they undoubtedly deserve. would mention that from $11.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. until the time when the bells came round, I was near enough to the tower to hear every bell distinctly, and for orer five hours of the time was in the Churchyard, timing the changes at intervals. I must say that the regulanity and striking of the peal was remarkable for eren a five thousand, not to mention its merits for such a length, and judging by the standard which the hearing of Metropolitan peals has raised for me it was excellent.
Perhaps tho few ringers who know me will say that my experience does not warrant my remarks, but I am merely statiug my opinion, as one who heard most of the peal, for what it is worth, and I am moved to a crude imitation of the bard, who wrote:-

## Many went to hear the peal,

(Alas, here comes tlie rub)
Some listened in the Churchyard
And the others-in the Neighbourhood!
I should think the opinion of Mr. C. T. Colec, who heard as much of the peal as (iif not more than) I did, would be interesting, coming fiom so experienced a ringer.

Finally, a great deal has been said about the "refining influence" that the gentler sex have upon the Art; it is to be regretted that such an influence is nececsary, but it undoubtedly is, when one observes such statements in the correspondence columus of the ringing papers as have appeared of late, the majority of which are of no interest to the Exercise generally, and would make a fourth rate politician shudder. Some of these too, cmanate from men the very top of the tree !- Yours of these,
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## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The Yorktown District held a quarterly meeting at Walton-on'Thamea on Saturday last, when the peal of eight at St. Mary's Church was available for ringing, and several touches were rung before tea, to which the company sat down in the Church Hall, the proceedings being presided over by the Vicar (the Rev. Kemp Bussell). Ringers were present from Hersham, Chertsey, Woking, Kingston, Worplesdon, Sunbury and Walton, together with Miss E. L. Bemnett (New Cross), Mr. F. Hairs (Clapham), and Mr. and Mrs. Whittington, of 'Cranleigh. After tea, the arrival of the Rural Dean, the Rev. J. H. Townsend (Vicar of Oatlands) was marked by a round of applause. A course of Caters on the handbells was next brought round, and at the business meeting, which followed, the report of the Ringing Master (Mr. W. Shepherd) was presented.-The Rev. J. H. Townsend gave some interesting information as to the progress made with the new peal of bells, which are being hung in Oatlands tower by Messrs. J. Warner and Sons.-Mr. F. Shepherd, senr., said he had just come from Oatlands, and from what he had seen he was certain that everyone would be pleased with the new peal when the work was completed. He assurnd the Rev. Townsend that a hearty welcome awaited him and his future ringers in the Winchester Diocesan Guild.-In replying to the vote of thanks that was passed, the Rev. Kemp Bussell said he was always pleased to see the Guild at Walton. He expressed a hope that he would be able to do something with regard to the rehanging of the bells later on. -Nore ringing was then indulged in, and the meeting proved very successful.

## CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

At the quarterly meeting of the Kettering district, at Isham, touches of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob were rung on the bells before tea, but no ringing was done afterwards, owng to ilness near the church. The belle of Burton Latimer were, however. very kindly placed at the disposal of the ringers. After tea, in the School, the business meeting was held, presided over by the general secretary (Mr. F. Wilford), supported by the district secretary (Mr. J. Shatfowd).-It was resolved to hold the next meeting at Rothwell. Severnl new members were elected.-The Secretary read a letter from the Rector, who was prevented from being present owing to a previous engagement. Hearty votes of thanks was accorded for the use of the bells, also to the ladies who provicled tea.

## WELLINGBOROUGH DISTRICT

A quarterly meeting of the Wellingborough District was held at Irthlingboro' and touches of London, Bristol, Cambridge, and Superlative Surprise, Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Plain Bob Major, Stedman, and Grandsire Triples were rung on this handy ring of eight. -Tea was partaken of in the Schoolroom, about 40 being present.-A short business meeting was held, presided over by the Rev. A. K. Taylor, supported by the two churchwardens. - It was resolved to hold a special meeting at Finedon on Warch $29 t h$, and the quarterly mecting at Wilby. -The sum of $£ 114 \mathrm{~s}$. 9rd. was collected at the various mectings for the widow of the lat 3 Mr. B. Perrctt.-A hearty rote of thanks was accorded the Rector for the use of the bells, also to the ladies who provided tea.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION. <br> \section*{ANNUAL MEETING AT CROYDON}

The ammual meeting of this Association was held at Croydon on Saturday week, there being representatives from rearly all the towers in the district, including those in the newly-formed Southern area. The new ring of ten at St. Peter's, South Croydon, were in early request, and various touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters and Treble Bob Royal were zung until five o'clock, when the Rev. Arthur Reeve, the Vicar, conducted a special service, and gave a capital address to the ringers.
Tea followed at St. Peter's Parish Hall (kindly lent by the Vicar and churchwardens for the purpose), and to this some 65 sat down. A short touch on haudbells by members and friends, and an address of welcome to Croydon by the Rev. Canon White-Thomson, Rural Dean and Vicar of Croydon, who had to leave early, introduced the members to the business proceedings, which were presided over by the Rev. Arthur Recve, supported by Mr. Percy Sylvestcr and Dr. Arthur B. Carpenter (Master of the Association), Messrs. Cyril Johnston (hon. secretary), Hy. Ewins (Southern district secretary th Chas. Dean, and Jas. George (Rugby).
The committee and officers were re-elected, except that Mr. Dean was appointei auditor, in place of Mr. Cowen, and it was decided to ask Mr. Daniels to re-consider his decision to retire from the post of assistant-seratary. - The committee's recommendation as to the places for ensuing meetings was agreed to; Epsom, being chosen for Easter; Egdam for the summer meeting, and Streatham for the meeting in the autumn, while Reigate and Redhill were selected for the next annual meeting.
A very hearty vote of thanks, proposed by the Master, and seconded by Mr. J. D. Drewett, was passed to the Vicars and churchwardens for the use of the bells, to which the Rev. Arthur Reeve and Mr. Sylvester responded.
In consequence of illness close to the church, the bells at St. Peter's could only be rung for a short time after the meeting, so that those who had como long distaneos could hear them, but the bells at the Parish Church were available, and some good touches were rung.

## PRESENTATIONS AT LUDLOW.

The Ludlow Guild have bean entertained to dinner by the Rector (the Rev. A. E. Lloyd Kenyon) and Mr. Robert Marston. The gathering was arranged specially to bid farewell to Messrs. George and G. D. Acton, who were shortly leaving for Canada, and a most enjoyable evening was spent. After dinner was over, the Rector said that they had met there that evening to say good-bye to three of their members, although when the dinner was organiscd it was to bid farewell to two members only. But since then, their secretary, Mr. F. S. Wilson, had been appointed to anotiler branch of the bank, and so they had unfortunately to lose three of the ringers, which was a great blow to the Guild. Proceeding, the Rector presented to Mr. Geo. Acton a handsome book on the Restoration of Ludlow Church Tower, and to Mr. G. D. Acton a copy of "Among the Bells." In asking them to accept these gifts, he said that they were all extremely sorry to lose their valuable services, and he wished them both every success and happiness in their new work and surroundings, and he hoped that the books would help to remincl them of their ringing friends in Ludlow.
-The Messrs. Acton, in responding, said they would always value the gifts, and often think of their old friends in Ludlow belfry.-Some good toaches of Grandsire were rung on handbells.
On the following Monday, a special meeting of the Ludlow Guidd was held to appoint a new secvetary and treasurer in the place of Mr F. S. Wilson, who was shortly leaving Ludlow for Tewkesbury.-After the business meeting, the President of the Guild, the Rev. A. E. Llord Kenyon, said they could not let Mr. Wilson leave Ladlow without showing him some slight recognition of his services to the Guild for the past four years. ITs (the speaker) was sane they would have difficulty $m$ finding any one clse to replace Mr. Wilson, who had always worked so hard for tho well-being of the Guild. He also wished Mr'. Wilson, on behalf of all present, every success and happiness in his new sphere of work, and asked him to accept a little present as a mark of their great aippreciation of his services.-The gift consisted of a large and beautiful picturo of St. Lawrence's Church, Ludlow, hand somely framed, bearing upon it a small brass plate engraved as follows: "Presented to MEr. F. S. Wilson from the Ludlow Guild of Change Ringers, January, 1913."
Mr. Wilson, in accepting the gift, thanked the Rector and the ringers for their handsome present and good wishes, and said he should always value it and look back with pleasure to the many happy hours spent among them in Lucllow belfry. He was glad to know that what little he had done was so much appreciated.-A vote of thanks wes proposed to the Rector for presiding.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

The third quarterly meeting of the year was held at Whitwick, and was well attended by members from Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Burton, Derby, Loughborough, Leicester, Hugglescote, Hinckley, Newhall, and other places. Ringing was in progress on the eight bells of whe Parish Church from about three oclock, among the methods rung being: Grandaire ind Stedman Triples, Plain and Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superiative Major-At the general meeting which fol lowet tea in tle Schoolroom, the Vice-President (Mr. J. W. Taylor) took the chair, and was supported by the Rev. R. P. Farrow, of Bardon Hill; Mr. W. C. Wakley, hon. treasurer, and others.-The auditors, Messrs. E. D. Taylor and C. Draper, were unanimously re-elected, on the proposition of Mr. H. Wakley, seconded by Mr. H. Powdrill.-The Vice-President reviewed the peals rung during the last quarter of 1912. They numbered, he said, 56, making a total for the year of 172. The 56 peals included Cambridge, Superlative, and Norfolk Surprise, and, on six and five bells, peals in seven and ten methods of Minor, and one in eight methods of Doubles. Three life members and 27 ringing members were elected. - Mr. Draper proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to the incumbent of Whitwick (the Rew. J. W. A. Mackenzie) for the use of the bells and schoolroom, and also to the Whitwick ringers for so kindly making the arrangements for the tea and meeting.-This was seconded by Mr. H. Wakley, and carried unanimously.-A rote of thanks to the Chairman closed the mecting

## ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY, RUGBY.

At the eighteenth annual meeting of the St. Andrew's Society, Rugby, over which the Rev. O. M. Blagden presided, the balance sheet for the past year was presented by the hon. sccretary (Mr. II. O. White) and accepted. Mr. Fenton, scmr., was re-elected Ringing Master. Mr Chandlar was elented hon. necretary and treasurer, and Messrs. 1 r Watson, W. Malins, and K . O. White were appointed to serve on the committee. Mr. Hessian was elected Deputy Ringing Master and hon auditor.-Mr. Fenton, in the course of a few remarks, said the society had had a very successful year, having rung three complete peals, one of which was the 500 th by Mr. James George, who was one of the society's oldest and most prominent members. The peal was rung at Mr. George's invitation at South Wigston. Mr. George was probably the only man in the Midland Cornties to ring that number of peals, and the society was very proud to have on its membership roll such 2 fine exponent of the Art.-Mr. W. Brooke (churchwarden) thanked the officers and members for their loyal services during the past year. A vote of thanks to the President for presiding terminated the meeting.

## ROUND THE FESTIVE BOARD.

## SOUTHBROOM RINGERS ENTERTAINED.

The ringer's connected with St. James' Church, Southbroom, together ith the clergy, were invited to spond an evening at "Avalon," on a recont evening, as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fi. Brownlee West. Hoth the host and hostess talie in deep interest in ringing, and, in addi-保 to taking his place in the tower at Southbroom and instructing the "recruits," Mr. West discharges with enthusiasm and success the duties of honorary secretary to the Devizes branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild. The ringers assembled to the number of about a dozen, and were accompanied by the curate (the Rev. Evelyn Smith). Tho Vicar (Canon Gardiner) was unable to be present.-After being well treated at the tea table, the guests passed a pleasant musical wening, with, of course, a variation in the way of what ringing was available, Mr., Mrs, and Miss West ringing 120 changes on the handbells.-Towards the close of the proceedings, Mr. and Mrs. West were cordially thanked for their hospitality, Mr. A. E. Pike being the spokesman of the party.

## WROXHAM RINGERS' NEW YEAR'S SUPPTR.

By the kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Green, the Wroxham company had their annual New Year's supper just recently, amd, us usual, a highly enjoyable evening was spent. Tune ringing upon handbells is a modern feature of Wroxham handbell displays, and the efficient manner in which the selections were played immensely delighted the host and hostess. A pleasing variety was given to the ringing by double-handed change ringing on 12 , and on six bells in Minor methods, whilst the songs rendered by Mr. F. Hall and Mr. R. Chamberlin greatly added to the pleasure of the proceedings. The ringers present numbered ten, including Messrs. H. Spurgeon (captain), S. Nunn (conductor), R. Haines, E. Warnes, E. Nunn, J. Ives, A. Webb, F. Hall, C. Kidd and C. R. Chamberlin, and they desire to thank most hoartily the host apd hostess for their unsparing kindnesses in this and many past years.
With C. Kidd 1, E. Warnes 2, C. R. Chamberlin 3, A. Webb 4, H. Spurgeon 5, S. Nunn (conductor) 6, the Wroxham Súnday change ringers were successful in accomplishing a date touch on Tuesday January 14th, in honour of the current year. The bells were pulled off at, the back stroke to fit in the odd changes, and the efficient mamer in which the bells were struck, speaks highly of the untiring efforts of the conductor. We hope soon to be able to report a 5040 .

## GOOLE

On a recent Monday the members of the Goole Parish Church Guild wore entertained to dinner at the Sydney Hotel by the Vicar and churchwardens. An excellent dinner was provided by Host Heptonstall. Afterwards, a short business meeting was held, at which the officers were elected for the year. The Vicar appointed the Rev. W Lawson-Smith and Mr. J. Swingler as additional vice-presidents. A smoking concert followed, an excellent programme having been arranged. Most of the ringers made their debut as vocalists, and some musical talent was unearthed which will be heard more of in the future. -During the evening, a hearty vote of thanks was given with musical honours to the Vicar and churchwardens for their kindness.
The Vicar, in responding, alluded to the work of the ringers, and asked them not to forget that bell ringing was Church work, and that they should try and do that work as reverently as possible. He said that the object of the dinner, which was to be an annual event, was to bring ringers and clergy together, so they might know each other bettrr.-Other speeches followed, and were interspersed with songs, banjo solos, pianoforte solos and tunes and changes on the handbells, which brought to a close a most enjoyable erening.-H.L.

## SWAINSWICK.

pleasant evening was spent by the Swainswick company recently, by the kindness of the Rector (the Rev. H. C. Franklin), a supper was partaken of at the Rectory, which was much enjoyed by all. Afterwards the annual business meeting was held, the Rector presiding. The tower master's report showed that good progress was being made.-A vote of thanks to the Rector for his kindness and also for the use of the bells for peal attempta vas carried unanimously.Tho Rector replying, said that it was a great pleasure to meet the ringers there, and expressed his regret that the two attempts for a local peal came to grief.

## HODDFSDON

On Monday week, the St. Paul's Society had their annual dinner and social at the Salisbury Arms Hotel, about 20 sitting down to a sumptuous repast, presided over by the President (the Rev. P. F. S.
Hill), who was supported by the Rev. T. Walton (curate) Mr. I. Dew (churchwarden), Mr. Dawson, Mr. Jackson, etc. The loyal toasts having been honoured, the toast of the evening, "Success to the St. Paul's Society," was proposed by Mr. J. Dew, coupled with it being the name of the Master (Mr. J. Puplett), who suitably responded.-Messrs. Christio and Co. were thanked for their ready responso to the fund for new ropes.- A number of songs were sung. interspersed with selections on handbells and the gramophone, and a pleasant evening was spent.-Mr. S. Knight, the hon. secretary, was thanked for the way he had managed the details.

## ST. ANDREW'S, RUGBY

The ringing members of the St. Andrew's Society were the guests of their President and Mrs. Blagden, at the Rectory recently. After supper, the loyal toast having been duly honoured, the Rector proposed "Long Life and Prosperity to St. Andrew's Society, and to the ringing members.' ${ }^{\prime}$ In the course of a few remarks, the Rector said how very thankful both Mrs. Blagden and himself felt the day that they arrived at their new home to hear the beautiful bells ringing out a hearty welcome. The Rector added that he would like to take the opportunity of congratulating the ringers that took part in the peal.-The Ringing Master (Mr. J. B: Fenton), on behalf of the ringing members, expressed their sincere thanks for the kind hospitality extended to them. The ringers were all very pleased to meet the new Rector and Mrs. Blagden, and hoped they would be spared to live amongst them for many years to come.-Mr. Fenton then proposed "The Health of the Rector and Mrs. Blagden," and in a few wellchosen words, wished them " Long Life, Much Happiness, and Good Health," and hoped they would find Rugby and its surroundings as interesting as their last home, namely, Oxford.-The Rector suitably replied, and then an adjournment was made to the study, where some sixteen or seventeen "volcanos" were soon issuing forth mot lava, but smoke. Courses of Grandsire Caters and Triples were rung, and tune playing also took place upon handbells that were skilfully manipulated by Messis. Fenton, Malins, Chandler, George, Hessian, and White. A quick six in Stedman Triples is not to be compared with the pace at which this very enjoyable evening slipped away

## GLOSSOP ASSOCIATION.

The annual dinner of the Glossop Association was a great success. It was attended by a numerous gathering of local ringers, augmented by visitors from Manchester.-After dinner, the Vicar of Whitfield (the Rev. W. M. Martin-Ellis, M.A.) offered his encouragement and best wishes to the Association for their work throughout the year. He wished it were possible for the Association to include the whole of the Deanery.-Subsequently the chair was occupied by the Vicar of Glossop (the Rev. C. Dudley Hart), who referred to the work of the Association, remarking that it would be a great pity if bell ringing were ever divorced from the Church itself. Their work was not simply an exhibition of change ringing, nor simply a question of endurance, but it was a duty that carried with it important responsibilities. If ringing were to become an art and nothing else, it would be absolutely useless. Bells were only uscful for one purpose, and if they divorced them from the real use of the church, then they became a farce. After the loyal toast, "The Health of the Visitors" was proposed by inf. W. Marsden, who remarked that the Association was formed at a time when it was felt that the art was getting a bit neglected in the districu, and since its formation the Association had brought ringers into closer relationship with the church, and with each other than for some yeare past.-Mr. Richard Newton, of Manchester, responded.Mr. Jesse Nield submitted the toast of the Viears and church officials, and to this the Rev. H. Lawrence (Vicar of Dinting)-replied.-Mr. F. Morris gave the toast of "Success to the Association." He said the Association was going to be of service in a very important work of the church's many and valuable activities, and he wished it every prosperity. He threw out the suggestion that they should have a service at their annual gathering.-Mr. J. Buckley, the secretary, suitably responded, and said the suggestion made by Mr. Morris would be borne in mind, and brought forward at the earliest opportunity.- A most enjoyable musical programme was carried out, the handbell ringing being not the least appreciated items.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

A most successful practice meeting of the Durham and Newcastle. Association was held at Bishopwearmouth (Sunderland) on Saturday week, when ringers were present from Jarrow, South Shields, and the three Sunderland towers. The methods rung were Plain Bob, Grandsire and Stedman: and, in nearly every case, at least oue of the bands scored a first touch.

## LONG STANTON'S MISFORTUNE.

The Vicar and churchwardens acknowledge with many thanks the following contributions towards the oost of recasting the cracked bell: W. and N., £5; H. E. N., £3; A. H. F. B., $£ 1$ Is.; W. C. P., $£ 1$ 1s. ; F. S., f1 1s.; C. W. O. J.. 10s.; T. E. B., 2s. 6d.; J. H. S., 2s. 6d.;
O. W. L., 2s. 6d.; the Msopham band, 7s. 6d.; the St. Bololph's band (Lincoln), 4s. 6d.; Porte 3 a Parish Church band, 3s. 6d.; Selby Abbey band, 4s. 6d.
Donations will be thankfully received by the Vicar, Mr. W. Doggett, or Mr. H. Croot, Long Stanton.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-Before responding to your appeal in this matter, some of yaur readers would like to be assured that the misfortune was due neither to "clocking" the tenor bell, nor to neglect in having her "quarterturned "when the sound bow was getting worn. I hops that the Long Stanton Church authorities oan give this assurance.

St. Albans, Fcb. 7th.
T. L. PAPILLON.

## THE KENT ASSOCIATION.

## ANNUAL MEETING OF TONBRIDGE DISTRICT.

'The anurual meeting of the Tonbridge District of the Kent Association held at Edenbridge, was attended by upwards of 50 members from Chiddingstone, Cowden, Hadlow, Hever, Horsmonden, Lamberhurst, Limpsfield Chart (Surrey), Penshurst, Seal Chart, Shipbourne, Speldhurst, Staplehurst, Tonbridge, Tunbridge Wells, and the local members. At the committee meeting 14 new members were elected, and places for the district meetings for the ensuing year were suggested for approval at the general meeting.
A special service was held in clourch, at which the organist and choir very kindly gave their services. The Association's special form of service was used, and the Vicar gave an excellent address, taking his text from Colossians iii, 23-24.
After service, the members adjourned to tlie Oddfellows' Hall for tea. -The Vicar presided, supported by the Rev. F. L. Schreiber, Vicar of Shipbourne.
At the general meeting which followed, the District Secretary ( Mr W. Latter) read his annual report, in which he said that the ringers at two six-bell towers, Cowden and Kilndown, had joined during the year, making 19 towers, with a total of 168 practising members in wnion, leing a net increase of 26 members on the preceding year; 38 new practising members had joined, and three new hon. members. Four district mectings were held at Chiddingstone, Staplehurst, Seal Chart, and Penshurst. As a result of holding a meeting at Penshurst, the ringers of that church had joined that day. Instruction in change ringing had been given to the Cowden ringers with very good results. Members of the district had taken part in 24 peals.
The report was considered highly satisfactory.-Mr. Latter was reelected hon. district secretary, with thanks for his past scrvices, and Mr. G. Edwards, of Chiddingstone, was unanimonsly re-elected District Representative on the Central Committee.

It was decided that the spring meeting should be held at Sevenoaks or Tonbridge, the summer meeting at Brenchley or Lamberhurst, the autumn meeting at Horsmonden, and the next annual meeting at Tunbridge Wells.
The balance sheet showed receipts $£ 23$ 2s. 8d., expenditure $£ 103 \mathrm{~s}$., balance remitted to central secretary, $£ 12$ 19s. 8 d .

Votes of thanks to the Vicar (who became an hon. member), for the use of the bells, for arranging the service, and for presiding at the meeting ; to Mr. Weaver, the organist, and the choir, for their assistance at the service; and to Mr. J. Steddy and the other local ringers for making the arrangements. were carried, to which the gentlemen referred to replied, concluded the meeting, and the members adjourned to the tower, where the bells woro kept going until 9 o'clock.

During the day two peal boards which record the first peals of Treble Bob NIajor and Stedman Triples on the bells were formally unveiled.

## DEATH OF AN OLD SHEFFIELD RINGER.

At the ripe age of 74, Mr. Richard Collier, of Ranmoor, Sheffield, passed away on Sunday, Feburary 2nd. For a great number of years he was a martyr to rheumatism, and during the past 15 ycars had been practically crippled by it, indeed, the wonder is that he so long defied time, and that cheerfully.
Mr. Collier first came in contact with ringing on the peal of five at the church within the precincts of the Hall, at Islam, in Staffordshire, where he was in residence as gardener. Coming to Sheffield later, first to Kenwood Hall and then to Ranmoor College shortly before the building of Rammeor Church, he had a great deal to say in regard to putting up the present peal in 1879. Being one of the original band at Ranmoor, and the only one of them to "stick," the writer tcok care that his comnection was severed only by death. Although his peal ringing consisted only of covering some four peals of Grandsire Triples, nevertheless, when he was in health his love for the bells and enthusiasm in the welfare of the ringers would not be a low standard if practised by all the ringers of the present day. During the carly ' 60 's he was connected with the Dove Valley (Derbyshire) Rifle Volunteers (Ashbourne Co.) where he won the esteem of his comrades, as a suitably inscribed presentation watch, of which he was the prond possessor, testified.
The funeral took place at Fulwood on Thursday week, when the coffin, in accordance with the deceased's request, was borne to the grave by four ringers who afterwards rang a course of Grandsire Triples over the grave, viz.: J. Evinson 1-2, S. Thomas 3-4, J. Mulligan 5-6, J. Dixon 7-8. Ringers were present from all the four churches in Shefficld, and among the floral tributes was a large and handsome wreath from the Ranmoor ringers. During the evoning muffled touches were rung on the tower bells, including a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, by: S. Thomas, J. Atkin, J. E. L. Cockey, L. Charlesworth, J. Mulligan, J. Fvinson, W. S. Plant and C. Haynes. Messrs. Smithson (All Saints'), Allen (Ranmoor), Dixon (Norfolk Row) also took part in the ringing.
PORTSEA.-At the Parish Church, on Jan. 12th, 1260 Grandsire Triples: J. Whiting 1, J. Harding 2, C. Groves 3, J. Whecler 4. W. Holloway 5, A. Creasy 6, J. Harris (conductor) 7, G. Cooper 8.- On Jan. 21st, 312 Stedman Triples: J. Whiting 1, A. Collins 2, S. Thomas 3. J. Wheeler 4, G. I. Harriman (Loughborough) 5, A. Creasey 6, J. Harding (conductor) 7, J. Matthews 8.

## NOTICES.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. The next branch meeting will be held at St. James, Harling den, on Saturday, February 15th, ig13. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 .-J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary, 3I, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -A branch meeting will be held at Padiham on Saturday, February 15th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - The next quarterly meeting and 6 -bell contest will be held at Mytholmroyd on Saturday, February 15th, 1913. Bells available from 3 p.m. Ballot for order cf ringing at 2.45 p.m. in the schoolroom.-F. Salmons, Secretary, 8, Salisbury Place, Halifax.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on February i8th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 27 th ; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 18th ; Southwark Cathedral, on the 25 th. Also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturday evenings. Magnus 7.30 , the others 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, ${ }^{22}$, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The spring meeting will be held at Wickhambreaux and Littlebourne on Saturday, February 22nd, 1913. Towers opened at 3 p.m. Service at Wickhambreaux at 5 p.m. Tea kindly provided by Rev. G. Hyde Smith in the Village Club Room at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will all those who intend being present kindly let me know by Tuesday, February 18th.-E. Trendell, Honorary District Secretary, Boughton, Faversham.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Central Divi-sion.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Crawley on Saturday, February 22nd. Tower open 3 till 9 . Service 4.15. Tea at 5 o'clock, at Mr. Leggett's, North Gate, by kind invitation of the Rector, to those who let me know by Tuesday, February 18th.-A. D. Stone, Divisional Hon. Secrelary, 29, Ashton Street, Brighton.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Ashford District.-A meeting of the above will be held at Mersham on Saturday, February 22nd. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Special service at 5 o'clock. An allowance of one penny per mile one way, maximum 25 ., will be paid to all members attending. Subscriptions are now due, and will be cheerfully accepted at the meeting by C. Tribe, Honorary District Secretary, British Schools Villas, Tenterden.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Guildford District.-A district meeting will be held at Cranleigh, on Saturday, February 22nd, 1913. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service, the Rector will address the ringers, 5 p.m. Tea in the schoolroom, chairman, W. Welch, Esq., C.A., J.P., 5.45 . Tea tickets, members 6d., visitors rs. Subscriptions are now due and should be paid at or before the meeting. - John J. Jones, Honorary Secretary, North Street, Guildford.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch.

The next monthly meeting will be held at Whitefield on Saturday, February 22nd. Bells available at $5 \cdot 30$. Meeting at 7.-W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Luton District.-The annual meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, February 22nd, 1913. Bells available from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Will all members kindly make it convenient to be present.-A. King, Honorary Secretary, 6, Tavistock Crescent, Luton.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.--The annual mecting of the Maidstone district will be held at Maidstone on Saturday, March rst, 1913. Bells available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m. Meat tea at the Maidstone Restaurant, Bank Street, $5 \cdot 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A charge of 3d. per member will be made for tea. All members intending to be present for tea must notify me not later than Tuesday, February 25th, 1913. Subscriptions are now due.-G. Moore, District Secretary, 7I, Florence Road, Maidstone.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755)--The annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be beld at Ye Olde Royal Hotel, Temple Row, Birmingham, on Saturday, March 1st, at 6.30 p.m. The chair will be taken by Sir Arthur Percival Heywood, Bart. Tickets free to fully qualified members whose subscriptions are paid up to date, to other members and friends 2s. 6d. each.-A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, ir, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Stony Stratford on Saturday, March ist next. Service at 3 p.m. -Thomas Best, junr., Secretary, Bletchley.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND loNion diocesan guild.-South and West Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Feltham on Saturday, March rst. Ringing from 40 'clock. Tea at $6,6 \mathrm{~d}$. each. All are welcome.--H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

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## SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The Felruary meeting of the Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Ainalgamated Society was held at Barnsley on Saturday week, and proved very sucecssful. Between 30 and 40 members were present, irom Barnsley, Beighton, Bolsterstone, Ecclesfield, Hoyland Swaine, Vorth Wingield, Ranmoor, Rotherham and Wath. Some good ringing was accomplished in the following methods: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich Court Bob Major. The six-bell ringers present obtained a good practice in some of the Major methods, and the local company in Stedman Triples and Double Norwich Major.
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## THE ROBINSON MEMORIAL.

To perpetuate the memory of the late Rev. Francis Edward Robinson a handsomely carved oak screen now stands in Drayton Church. Its dedication completes the work which was undertaken by those who desired to place on record in tangible fashion the love, the esteem and the admiration which they had, during his life time, for a man who probably did more than any other individual to raise the status of the ringer, and the memory of whose unflagging interest in the Exercise, indomitable spirit in face of difficulties, and wonderful prowess in the Art will ever be cherished. The screen at Drayton, and the tablet recently erected in the cloisters at Oxford Cathedral, are the ringers' tribute to the " Grand Old Man " of the Exercise. In all respects, as the Archcleacon of Berkshire pointed out, the memorial is a most fitting one. That it should be erected in Drayton Church, the scene for over 30 years of his earnest ministrations as parish priest, as well as the venue of many of his most interesting campanological feats, was perhaps only natural. The form was certainly well chosen, and the only possible tinge of regret is that the funds were not sufficiently large to permit of carrying out the original and larger scheme, which embraced a chancel screen. But as far as funds allowed, the belfry screen is doubtless what the late lamented Vicar would himself have chosen, for with his own skilful hands he had done much to beautify the interior of the church by decorating it with ornate carving. A sum of just over 200 was subscribed for the memorial, and the belfry screen has cost about £iso. The remainder, after paying sundry contingent expenses, and providing the tablet in, the Cathedral, will be devoted to such purposes as the committee may consider wise.

In the life of the Rev. Francis Edward Robinson there was to be found much that ringers may do well to follow as an example. He lifted the duty of ringing to the highest plane; steadfastness of purpose and readiness to give a helping hand to others where characteristic traits. A good deal of his ringing was done in days when peals were not as plentiful as he lived to see them become, and if in later years his arrangements were frequently carried out with some ease, the earlier peals were a much greater task. But his perseverance enabled him to create a great record, and his devotedness to the Exercise made his name a household word during his lifetime. It will remain perpetuated as an inspiration to coming generations by the screen which the ringers of England, as a mark of their esteem, have erected in Drayton Church.

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## TEN BELL PEAL.

## ASTON MANOR, BIRMINGHAM

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, February 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
At the Chorch of SS. Peter and l’aul,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGE8;
Tenor 22 cwt., in E.
William G. Anker... ...Tyeble $\mid$ †homas Bloore
William J. Meers ... ... 2 John Jennings...
. 6
William H. Jones ... ... 3 William G. Ellis...... John Corrigan... ... ... 4 Bertram G. Leedham ... 9 *George Garrison ... ... 5 Charles Allen ... ...Temor Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by William G. Ellis

* First peal on ten bells. $\dagger$ First peal in the method. G. Garrison and $T$. Bloore were elected members previous to starting. This is T. Bloore and B. Leedham's $25^{\text {th }}$ peal.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BRISTOL
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, February 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-le-Port,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Hollis' One-Part.
G. Vickery...
F. Cooper ..
... .
S. Abrahams
$\begin{array}{cccc}\ldots & \cdots & \ldots & 2 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 3\end{array}$
F. G. Leaker

R ...
R. Leaker ... ....... 7 Conducted by F. G. Leaker.
First peal as conductor.

## BRISTOL

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. THOMAS' GUILD.
On Saturday, February S, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Hollis' One-Part
H. Green ...

| $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 |
| Conducted by F |  |  |  |


| G. Vickery | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| F. Cooper... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 6 |
| F. G. Leaker | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 7 |
| T. Abrahams | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Temar |  |
| W. Abrahams | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |  | Te. |

W. Abrahams ...
Tennr
Conducted by F. G. Leaker.

WOOD GREEN, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Monday, Fcbruary 10, 1913, in Tüo Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Paul,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thurstans' Four-Part.
 Conducted by E. J. Tyler.

* First peal in the method away from the tenor. First peal in the method by an entirely local band. Rung as a birthday compliment to A. Cooper and J. Tyler.

LEDBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, February 13, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Holi's Original.
Tenor 25 cwt .

| W. Bradley |  |  | Treble | J. Dance |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| T. Williams |  |  | . 2 | W. Mansell |  |  |  | 6 |
| *A. Morris | .. |  | .. 3 | 'Г. Davis |  |  |  |  |
| D. Owen | $\ldots$ |  |  | G. Morris |  |  |  | enor | Conducted by T. Williams.

* First peal of Triples. Rung as a farewell peal to G. Morris, who is leaving the district to reside at Nelson, Lancashire.

SMETHWICK, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTiRICTS ASSOCIATION
(Nortilern Branch.)
On Thursday, Fgbruary 13, 1913, in Two How's and Forty-eight Minules, At the Old Church,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Sir A. P. Herwood's Variation of Thurstans.
Miss Sarah Pigott .

| $\ldots$ | .. Treble |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 |
| $\ldots$ | .. | 4 | * Horace

Morris J. Morlis

Mur 'George Pigott... \begin{tabular}{lllll|ll}
Ernebt E. Barber \& $\ldots$ \&... \& 3 \& William Page... \&.. \&... <br>
7 <br>
Joseph Pigott \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \&... \& 4 \& George F. Swann ... \& ... Tenor

 

Ernebt E. Barber \& $\ldots$ \&... \& 3 \& Willitam Page ... \&... \&... <br>
Joseph Pigott \&.. \& $\ldots$ \&.. \& 4 \& George F. Swann ... \& ... Tenor
\end{tabular} Joseph Pigot $\cdots$ Conducted by W. Page.

- First peal of Stedman. This peal was arranged specially for Messrs. E. Barber and W. Page who hail from Malvern Link and Worcester respectively, and whose best thanks are tendered to J. Pigott for making arrangements, and the rest of the band for attending. They especially experienced great pleasure in ringing a peal with Miss Pigott.


## BUNGAY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Tho Minutes, At the Church ce St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANEES; Tenor $16 \mathrm{cwt} .\mathrm{I} \mathrm{qr}$.4 lbs .

| *Thomas Beckett | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | George Baxter | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Clayton Parnell | ... | $\ldots$ | 2 | ©harles Woods | $\ldots$ | ... | 6 |


 Composed by J. Reeves, and
Conducted by Francis W. Naunton.

* First peal in the method. First peal of Major as conductor. $\mathbb{R}$ ung in honour of the hirth of a daughter to the wife of the conductor

HEADCORN, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and J'aul,
A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor $2+$ cwt.
Frederick Hodgkin...
Frederick Hodgkin ...
Charles Tribe ...
Charles Tribe...
Tom Saunders ...

| William H. Lambert | $\cdots$ | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frederick Butchers | $\cdots$ | 6 |  |
| Jim Beach... | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |

Edwin Lambert... ... ... 4 | Philip Hodgkin

Composed by Frank Ibennett, and
Conducted by Edwin Lambert.
LEISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-siy Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF LOUBLE NORYICH COURT BOE MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES; Tenor $20 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in IE.
Leonard P. Bailey...
Ernest S. Balley ...
Frederick W. Bailey ...Treble $\begin{array}{ll}\ldots & 2 \\ \cdots & 3\end{array}$ James M. Bailey $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Edgar H. Balley } & \ldots . & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { Harry Barton... } & \ldots & \ldots & 6 \\ \text { Charles Sampson } & \ldots & \ldots & 7 \\ \text { Charles F. Bailey } & \ldots & \text { Tenor }\end{array}$ Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Charles F. Bailey. Arranged to oblige H . Barton, of Southwold.

COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE. THE SAIOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUTLD. On Saturday, Febmaty 15, 1913, in Three Howrs and Seven Mintes, At the Church of the Holy Trinity, A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Sir A. P. Heywood's Transposition of Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. Io lbs., in $E$.

| Arthur Newsome |  | Treble | Bertram | Head |  | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John Overton |  | . 2 | Wilfret | Overton |  | 6 |
| Tlerbert Knight |  | 3 | William | Saunders. |  | 7 |

 Conducted by Wilfred Overton.. Rung to celebrate the 6and birthday of John Overton.

ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, February 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Fiüc Minutes, At the Church of St. Barnabas,
A PEAL OF OOUBLE YORKSHIRE COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 15 Cwt . in F .

 Composed by Morris J. Morris, and Conducted by Joseph Pigott.
First peal in the method in the county.

## BOLLINGTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CIIESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. (Macclesfield Branch.)
On Saturday, February 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Seien Minutes, At the Parish ( $\mathrm{h} u \mathrm{~L} \mathrm{Ch}$,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANCES;

Matthews' Twelve-Part, No. 2. Tenor 18 civt.
Wilfred Mattheivs ...Treble Mattheiv Davenport ... 5
Frank Stoneley ... ... 2 Thomas Mottershead ... 6
*Arthur Burgess ... ... 3 †John Moss, Sent. ... ... 7
Andrew B. Lomas... ... + fMatthew Birch ... ...Tenor
Composed and Conducted by W. Matthews.

* First peal in the method. + First peal.


## LONDON.

THE IONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION
(Late the Sif. James' Suciety.)
On Saturday, February 15, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. George the Martyr, Southwark,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES; Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lbs .

Thomas Walker ......Treble Robert W. Green... ... 5 Thomas H. Taffender ... 2 Ahthur H. Palmer...$\quad$ b | Christopher H. Hughes | 3 | Arthur D. Barker... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Richard N. Runham | 7 | 4 | Frederick J. Hardy | Richard N. Runham

Composed by ${ }^{4}$ J. R. Pritchard, and Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and
Conducted by Thomas H. Taffender.
First peal in the method by all except the conductor and ringers of the 4 th and 6th. Rung as a 73 rd birthday compliment to the steeplekeeper ( $G$. Woodage).

## GODALMING, SURREY.

THE WINCHISSTEK DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday. February 15. 1913. in Three Hours and Tiao Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF GRAADSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAMGE8;

Holt's Original.

- William Lawes ... ...Treble

Thomas W. Radford
Charles Hazelden...
-Allan Boxall ... ..... .5

Tenor 25 cw .

Conducted by ainabert lamment ... ...Tenol

* First peal. The treble, $4^{\text {th }}$, 5 th and tenor ringers belong to the local company. Rung as a birthday compliment to T. W. Radford's youngest daughter. F. Blondell's zooth peal.

EARLSHEATON, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 15, 1913, in Three Hou's,
At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

James Moorhouse ... ...Treble John W. Moorhouse 'George A. Jowett ... .... 2 John T. Eason ... ... 5 Mark Tate ... ... ... ... 3 | Thomas R. Hensher ... 7 Percy j. Johnstone....... 4 | Fred Cockell... ... ....Tenor Composed by John W. Moorhouse, and Conducted by Thomas R. Hensher.
Rung in honour of the birth of a son and heir to the condactor. This composition, an irregular ten-part, is now rung for the first time.

BRIDGEND, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 15, 1913, in Thuee How's and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Illtyd,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES :
Tenor 16 cwt

| M Smith | ...Treble | David R. James | .. 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John W. Jones | ... 2 | Richard Evans |  |
| *John Davis . | 3 | Fred Chamberlain... ... 7 |  |
| Sidney Dawe | .. ... 4 | John Cox ... ... ... | nor |
| Composed by W. H. Thompson, and Conducted by John Cox. |  |  |  |

* First peal. Mr. Davis hails from Cowbridge, and was elected a member before starting. Rung as a birthclay compliment to Mr . . K. Pritchard, donor of the bells.


## LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(Beeston Society.)
On Saturday, February 15, 1913, in Three Hours awd Eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 GHANGES;

 Tenor Io $\frac{3}{4}$ cwt.Neville Widdowson ..Treble Albert Coppock ... ... William Clifford, Senr. Frederick S. Price... ...

Arthur Lowe ... ........ 5
William Ceifford, Junr. 6 Edward J. Boot … $\cdots{ }^{7}$ Percival Price … ...Tenor
Composed by Arthor Finights, and Conducted by Albert Coprock.
First Surprise peai on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. F. S. Price and Mr. A. Lowe.

## ERITH, KENT.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Febrwary, 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. Johin the Baptist,


Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and
Conducted by Williar Pye.

* First peal in the method with a bob bell and first attempt. Rung on the 26 th anniversary of the treble ringer"s first peal.

GILLINGHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Satwday, Fotwory' 15, 1913, in Thio Hours and Three Minutes, At the Parish Cherch,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;
Tener II $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt

| William A. Cooke ... | ...Treble | William J. Walker |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William Easter | 2 | James Tulett ... .. | 6 |
| Edivard A, G. Allen | 3 | William Hont... ... | 7 |
| Ricks Paine |  | William Haigh | ...Tenor |

Composed by A Knights, and Conducted by W. Haigh.
First peal on the bells since they have been rehung in a new steel frame, and the 7 th and two trebles recast by Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich. The ringers wish to express their satisfaction at the way the

CRANLEIGH, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Guildford District.)
On Monday, Februbry 17, 1913, in Three Howrs and Ten Minutes. At the Church of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 GHANGES;
Tenor ig cwt.

| - Mrs. R. Whitiongton | Ticble | *Cecil Charman | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Robert Whittington | 2 | Alwyn Charman | ... 6 |
| $\dagger$ Horace Charman | 3 | Thomas Worsfold.. | 7 |
| Harry Tidy |  | William Сh |  |

Composed by J. Hunt, and
Conducted by W. Charman.

* First peal of Major. + First peal of Major with an inside bell. It was rung as a birthday compliment to Walter Whittington, son of the ringers of the treble and zud.


## SHREWSBURI.

THE SAI.OU' ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.
On Monday, February 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Alkmund,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Heywood's Variation.
Tenor 13 cwt.
George J. Taylor... ...Treble !

*William IR. Stockdale...
William J. Taylor ... 3 Charles IR. Lilley ... 7 E. R. Trevor Corbett 4 |-Herbert C. Jones... ...Tinor Conducted by Charles R. Lilley.

* First peal of Stedman. It is also the first peal of Stedman Triples rung in Shrewsbury. Rung, with the bells half-muffled, as a last token of respect to Captain Scott and party, who perished in the Antarctic.


## SIX $\mathfrak{B}$ FIVE BELL PEALS.

BRAMFIELD, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(Hacesworth District-)
On Tucsday, February 4, 1913, in Tiwo Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Consisting of Grandsire, Plain Bob, St. Simon's and Morning Star, Tenor 12 cwt.

* Donald R. Watts ... ...Tveble Austin Leach ... ... .... 3

Edifard Chatten ... ... 2 | Wicliam Whatlinge .... a John Ponchard ... ... Tenor Conducted by E. Chatten.

* First peal. D. R. Watts hails from Marsham, Norfolh.

SUNDEIRLAND, DURH.IM.
THE DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, Februdry 13, 1913, in Tiuo Hours and Fifty-fwe Minutes. At the Church of St. Ignatius,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 360 each of the following If methods in seven true 720 's: i Lancashire and Stamford, ii Munden and Chester, iii Surfeet and Beverley, iv Canterbury and Newcastle, v York and Durham, vi London and Wells, vii Lightfoot and Wearmouth.

Tenor I3 cwt.
William A. Carr ... ...Treble
James Ayers John Walker
Michael F. Harrison $\cdot \cdots \quad 3$
Joseph W. Parker ...
Joseph W. Parker... ... 5
Conducted by J. W. Parker.
First peal in $I_{4}$ methods by all, and rung at the first attempt. It is the first peal in I4 methods in seven 720's by the Association.

## LAMBERHURST, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, February 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BINOR, 5040 CHAHCES;
Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. George Foller... ... ...Treble Andrew Marshall... ... 4 Albert Relfe ... ......$\quad 2 \quad$ Jim Beach... ... ...... Harry Price ... ... ... 3 Walter Marshall ...Tenor Conducted by W. Marshall.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the 5 th and tenor.

## MALDON, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
(Maldon and District Guild.)
On Suthiday, February 15, 1913, in Tuo Hours and Fifty-five Miautes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Cambridge Surprise, New London Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford. Tenor ra cwt.
John D. Buckingham ...Treble | Frederick White ... ... 4
Alfred Soutth ... ... ... 2 Fred Chalk ......$\quad$... 5
Harold Finch...$\quad$......$\quad 3 \quad 3$ Horace J. Mansfield ...Tenor Conducted by John D Buckingham.

## KEMPSTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCTATION.
On Suturday, February 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourtecn Mitutes, At the Chunch of St. John,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES I

3eing 720 each of Violet, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Pleasure, College Exercise, Wuodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 20 cwt .
Herbert Mortimer... ...Tyeble Henry W. Gayton ... 4 Charles Mortimer ... ... 2 Pearl. Inskip ... ..... ... 5 đeonard Orpin ... ... ... 3 Charles W. Clarke ...Teror Conducted by Charles W. Clarke.

## SHREWSBURY

THI: SAIOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUTILD.
On Suturday, February 15, 1913, in Tito Hours and Thivty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael, Castle Foregate,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAHCES;

Being three 720's of Kent Treble Bob, three 720's of Plain Bob and one 720 of Grandsire. Tenor 7 cwt.

| William R. Stockdale ...Treble | William J. Taylor |  | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| E. R. Trevor Corbett | ... | 2 | Alfred Follick |
| E. ... | ... | 5 |  | George J. Taylor ... ... 3 Charles R. Lilley... Tenor

Conducted by Charles R. Lilley.
First peal of Minor by all except the conductor: also first peal on the bells.

EWHURST, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Guildford District.)
On Saturday, February 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF BOB MPNOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor in cwt. tMrs. R. Whittington ...Tyeble *John Luff... ... ... ... 4 *Alfred Francis ... ... 2 Robert Whittington ... 5 William Tidy ... ... ... 3 †William Denyer ... ...Tsacy Conducted by William Denyer.

- First peal. † First peal of Minor. First peal as conductor. It is also the first peal ever rung on the bells by an entirely local band. Rung as a birthday compliment to M iss Ada Denyer, sister of the conductor, on her I fth birthday ; also to Master Albert Tidy, son of the minger of the 3 rd .


## OSWALDTWISTLE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Blackburn Branch.)
On Sunday, February 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,
At the Church of Immanoel,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CNANCES;
In seven methods, viz.: Canterbury, London, Wells, Durlam, York, Lancashire and Stamford. Tenor in $\frac{3}{2}$ cwt.
John Bentley ... ... ...Tyeble Alfred T. Houldsworth 4 Charles Sharples.... James Houldsworth... ... 3 Villiam Riley ... ...Tenor This peal was non-conducted.
Umpires: J. H. Barnes, D. Briggs, R. W. Etheringion, of Bacup.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

BURY ST, EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK. THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND
THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY, BURY ST. EDNUNDS.
On Wednesday, January 22, 1913, in Tuo Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Residence of F. J. Levitt,
A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Frederick G. Dewell... 1 - 2 | Frank J. Levitt ... ... $5-6$ William W. Kemp ... 3-4 Alfred Ely ... ... ... 7 - 8 Composed by Arthor T. King, and Conducted by Frederick G. Dewell. Umpire: Ernest Hunt.

CROYDON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, February 10, 1913, in Tewo Hours and Thivty-fiex Minutes, At the Residence of A. W. Clark,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Reeves' Variation of Holt's Ten-Part.
Sidney R. Roper ... ... I-2 | Walter S. Wise ... ... 5-6
Ackland J. Perkins ... 3-4 | Amos W. Clark ... ... $^{\text {.. }}$ 7-S Conducted by Ackland J. Perkins.

Umpite: Walter G. Rowe.
Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. William Ives; also to celebrate the 6ist birthday of the conductor.

GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Southern Branch.)
On Tuesday, February 11, 1913, in One Hour and Fifty-cight Ninutes, At 72, Bridge End Road,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 of College Single and two 720's each of Single Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
Harry Thorpe ... I-2 William G. Thorpe ... 3-4 Sidney Proctor ... 5-6
Conducted by Sidney Proctor.
First peal of Minor in four methods " in hand " by all.

## SHEFFIELD.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, February 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-fiue Minutes, It 3I, Burgess Street,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Thiorstans' Foor-Part.
George Letis ... ... i-2 Clement Glenn ... ... 5 - 6
*Ropert Richardson ... 3-t | Albert C. Fearnley ... 7 - 8 Conducted by Clement Geenn.
Umpires: J. Atkins and J. Thorpe.

* First handbell peal in the method. First handbell peal of Stedman in Sheffield. This was G. Lewis' rcoth peal for the Yorkshire Association.


## HARWICH, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, Fobruary 13, 1913, in Two Hours, At the Residence of A. T. Morris, a peal of kent treble bob major, 5088 Changes;
 Composed by $\mathrm{N} . \mathrm{J}$. Pirstow, and Conducted by A. T. Morris.

## CAMBRIDGE

## THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD

On Sunday, Februay 16, 1913, in One Hour and Forty Minutes, At Trinity College,

## A PEAL OF RinOR, 5040 CHABGES ;

Being one $7^{20}$ of Double Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob, and four of Plain Bob.
J. Brece Williamson ... I-2 ${ }^{2}$ I William D. James ... 3-4
*Frederick Barker 5-6
Conducted by Frederick Barker.

* First handbell peal as conductor.

ROBIN HOOD'S BAY, YORISHIRE.
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, February 16, 1913, in Tzio Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At the Residence oe G. F. Alexander,
A PEAL OF EOB MINOR, 5040 CHAHGES; Being seven 720 's.
Albert Coates r-2 | George F. Alexander

3-4
Conducted by George F. Alexander.

* First peal on handbells and first attempt. Rung on meeting short for Major.


## THE RECORD PEAL OF BRISTOL.

## To the Ellitor

Sir,-Thanks for Talentine letters. "Self-Satisfaction," "I remain passive," "seriouslr:" "I I trust I am true to my birthright." The trip at seven minutes to six caused $m y$ friend to speak in the manner already mentioned. "A missed dodge in 3-4 down, Mr. Pye calls it.", When congratulating one of the band. I ventured to name one man, and said I thought it would have been better if he had not been in it. He made no conment. I had a real treat, as Bristol is a very attractive and most fascinating method. I went down expecting to hear the peal rung. I hare heard the comments of three of the band since the peal was rung. As those remarks are "privileged," I refrain from repeating tirem, but two of them confirmed what I tried to imply in my first letter to you, that the remarks should have ended at "good striking.' - Thanking jou, sir, yours faithfully,
C. F. WINNEY.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The Rochdale branch hold their monthly meeting at Milnrow, on Saturday week, when about 30 members were present from: Rochdale Parish, St. Albams, Balderstone. Newhey, Moorside, Glodwick, Oldham Parish, Middleton, Whitworth, and Todmorden towers, and the local band. - The Rer. II. T. Wright presided over the business meeting, when two new members were elected. Todmorden was selected for the next place of meeting. - After the usual rotes of thanks, the bells were kept going till 9 o'clock, in Kent Troble Bob Minor and Major, and Grandsire Triples.
A well-attended meeting of the Rossendale Branch was held at Haslingion on Saturday last, when ringers were present from Ramsbottom, Helmshore, Rawtenstall, and the local company. Some very good touches of Grandsire and Bob Major were rung.-It. was decided to bold the next meeting at Ramsbottomi on Mareh 15th.

## THE MAXIMUS RECORD.

On Saturday, an interesting gathering took place in the tower of St. Michacl and All Angels' Parish Church, Ashton, the company, which included the Rector (the Rev. F. R. C. Hutton), the Rev. R. G. F. Wyatt, the Rer. A. D. Jonnston (clergy of the Church). the wardens, and Mr. Cyril F. Johnsten, of Croydon, Mr. James George, of Rugby, the ringers and their wives, having assembled for the purpose of unveiling the tablet to commemorate the reoord peal of Kent Treble Bob Maximus ( 12,240 changes), rung in the tower on April 17th, 1911. -After a few remarks upon previous accomplishments by the Ashton men, Mr. Daniel Heap, the oldest ringer, invited the Rector to unveil the tablet.-In doing so, the Rector congratulated the ringers on their good performance, and hoped they would be spared in health and strength to achieve a far greater accomplishment.-A vote of thanks was given to the Rector for his presence.

After ringing a stort tonch of Kent Treble Bob Maximus, the party adjourned to the Stamford Strest Cafe, where a first-class dinncr was provided. Subsequently the Rev. R. G. F. Wyatt proposed toasts of "The King." and "The Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese," ete.

Pithy speeches were made by the Rev. R. G. F. Wyatt, Mr. Cyril F. Johnston and Mr. James George. Mr. Daniel Hall gave a few interesting incidents from the history of Ashton, concerning the bells and bell ringers.-After singing tho National Anthem the party dispersed, having spent a very enjoyable evening. The ringers agains ascended the tower, and rang a 500 of Treblo Twelve.

## SPLICING MYNOR METHODS.

This week, we recond a paal of Surprise Minor in 14 methods, spliced together iu seren true 720 's. It was rung at St. Ignatius', Sunderland, and makes a fitting wind-up to peals on six bells at this tower, for the two trebles to complete the oct.ve are uow hung, and await dedication on the 23rd inst. This peal, which is only the second of Surprise Minor rung on this plan, is worthy of more than passing notice. Soven true 720 's is the best that can be got with six bells, and when moro than seven methods are rung there can be no question that the system of splicing, introduced by the Rev. iI. Law James, is the iteal fashion in which to ring then. In earlice issues we have indicated one way by which this splicing is carricd out, the idea being to put together methods in which the changes in a lead or the plain course are the same.
In the casc of the Surprise peal at Sunderland, however, methods like Lancashire and Stamford; Canterbury and Newcastle, otc., have to be couplex on a different plan. These pairs have not the same changes either in a lead or a plain course, but the same clianges are to be found in three complementary leads. If one of these leads are rung in one methocl, the other two must also bo rung in the same method; and as these loads are never found together in a plain course, the pairing leads to ather a complicated arrangement,
In the peal at St. Ignatius thiere were no less than 72 changes of method. The compositions were the usual three part, tenor obsertation. The first 720 was called In, Out, In, and the remainder W. R. W.
The figures appended show the numbers of the leads rung in the second method in each case :-
Lancashire and Stamford: 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 27. 28 and 30.

Munden and Chester: 16 to 30 iuclusive.
Surfleet and Beverley: 16 to 30 inclusive.
Canterbury and Newcastle: $3,4,5,7,8,10,13,14,17,18,19,25$, 24, 27 and 28
York and Durham: 3. 4. 8, 9, 15, 14, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29.
London and Wells: 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 15, 17, 18, 22, 23, 27 and 28.

Lightfoot and Wearmouth: 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 14, 15, 17, 19, 20, 24, 25, 29 and 38.
The first peal rung in 14 Surpriso methods in seven true 720's was achicyed at Tibenliam, Norfolk, as recently as the 2 3rd of Tast month. On that occasion, the methods coupled were: Cambridge, Surfleet and Beveriey, Londnn and Wells, Yort and Durham, Hexham and Berwick, Annable's. London and Hull, and Bourne and Netherseale. The 5040 was complcted by a 720 of Norwich. As that peal was the first on the plan, it would be interesting to have the numbers of the leads in cach method, as set out alove in the case of tine peal at Sunderland.

## BATH'S?BAN ON BELLS.

In no city in England probahly has so much objection been heard to bell ringing as in Bath, wher ringers have for years laboured under great dificultios and restrictions. It is pleasing, therefore, to find that at last the clergy are being stirred to look with a more favourable eye uypon the practice of the Art. When the Bath branch of the Bath and Wells Association met at the Abbey Church Honse for their annual meeting, tho Secretary (Mr. W. J. Prescoti) reported that very fair progress had been made under the existing cramped conditions. The monthly practices had not come up to expectations, but the quarterly peal attempts had been successful, several young hands ringing their first 5,000 on eight bells. The total number of peals rung was ten, an increase of three over 1911. Hope was expressed that the Abber tenor would be relung.
Peeb. Boyd, who congratulated the members on the satisfactory re port, promised that the case of the Abbey tenor should be looked into--When the Hon. Seselarv explained that they had in Bath a loi of bells and a lot if good ringers about, but no towers where they were permited to attempt peels, the Vicar of St. Mary's. Bathwick, invilcit the Associatinn to his churell for o quarterly peal. He could not conceive that there should be any difficulty about the quarterly peals, it the ciergy vere properly appealed to. The whole objection to the bells had practically been settled by limitug the time of ring-ing.-Preb. Boyd said there appeared to be a quictening down of the lostility to so fine a thing as lecll ringing. If some of those who critieised bell ringing could realise low much science thorn was in it, and that it was deserving of all encouragement, they would not persevere in the course they hind taken up. Tho Vicar of Si. Mary's said he did not think much of the apparent hostility was really meant.
'The following officcrs were elected: Chairman,' Preh. Boyd; wicechairman, Rex. C. Hylton Stewart; ;ion, secretary and representative on Association C'ommittec. Mr. W. J. Jresoott; Quarterly Peal Selection Committee, Messrs. Fussell, Taylor, Mill and King.

## Ringer's Golden Wedding.

PRDSENTATIONS TO NLR. WILLIAM ROCK SMALL AT TIPTON.


Mr. W. R. Small.

The Exercise will congratulate Mr. and Mrs. William Kock Small, of Tipton, Staffs, upon reaching their golden wedding. Last week we reoorded two peals rung in honnur of the event, Mr. Small himself taking part in the one at Tipton. One of the best-known ringers in the Black Country, few men have done more to raise the moral tone of the belfry, and to addvanco the Art in that part of England than Mr. Small has done, and on Saturday week at the anmiversary of the wedding a large gathering assembled in St. M:urtin's Schools to do honour to the unique event. The compary numbered about eighty, those present including the Vicar (the Rev. W. J. de Vine, M.A.), the Rev. F. N. Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rock Small, Aldermen J.S. Pritchett (Master of St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham), Mr. John Godfrey (Pershore), Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Jones (Blakenball), Mr. and Mrs. Ben. Gough (Coseley), Mr. and Mrs. Russam, Mr. and Mrs. Davis (Birminghtm), Mr. J. and Mrs. Bailey (Ocker Hill), Mr. H. Withers (Bournbrook), Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dumb, Mr. and Mrs. E. Harris, Mr. J. Smith, and Mr. G. A. Banner (Tipton), Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Growes and Mr. John Carter (Birmingham), Mr. James George (lugby), Mr. Hary Mason (Oki Hill), Mr. Samuel Spittle (Dudley), Mr. Samuel Reeve: (Christ Church, West Promwjeh), Mr. A. E. Law and Mr. Wm. Fisher (Coseley), and several oiher docal ringers and their wives.
The Vicar expressed the congratulations of Mr. and Mrs. Small's many friends upon the auspicious event, and remarked upon the enthusiasm of Mr. Small as a ringer. He had worked
 well, he said. all through the archdeaconry for the bell ringing
fraternity. Their towers were now very different from what they useal to be in years gone by. There was now a friendly feeling between the congregation and the bell ringers, although the tower was not visited by friends in the congregation so often as they could wish. But, still, there was a feeling that the choir and the bell ringers were on the same footing in helping on the work of God. The ringers not onls rang people to church, but they came to church themselves. Such men as Mr. Small had been the means under God in cansing a happy change to take place. The Vicar presented Mr. and Mrs. Small with an illuminated address, beautifully framed and worded as follows:-

Lo Mr. and Mrs. William Rock Small.
Dear friends, on the occasion of your golden wedding we, the ringers of the Parish Church, Tipton, and a number of your ringing frionds, hereby congratulate you upon this happy event, and ask your acceptance of this illuminated address together with framed portraits of yourselves. We make this offering as an eajression of our sincere appreciation of your unwearying and enthusiastic efforts on behalf of bell ringing not only at the above church, where you have been towerkeeper for about thirty years, but in many other parts of the country. You hare been an inspiration to perfect us in this healthy and intellectual branch of church work. We pray that vour union may remain long unbroken, and that for many years you may be spared to take a lively interest in the art and science of change ringing, which is so dear to you and ourselves.

Signeit on behalf of the subscribers.-Samuel Spittle, Samucl Recres, John Smith, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer. February 8th, 1913.

In addition, the Vicar hander to Mr. and Mrs. Small framed portraits of themselves, and a handsomely botnd Bible, the later boaring a suitable inscription.

## TIIE HMPROVIMENT OF RINGERS AND RINGING.

Mr. Wm. Rock Small made a fitting reply. He gave place to no one, he said, in enthusiasm for change ringing, and he had done all he
conld to further it. As many were aware, the ringers of the present day and of times past were different classes of men. Through the instrumentality of some who were present that evening they had tried to improve bell ringing and bell ringers, and had been fairly successful. He and his wife had reared a family, and the youngesta bell ringer-was in the room (applause). He hoped they were a credit to him and theil mother. She had been a good wife and a good nother, and a credit to the family. Fifty years ago that day they went to Moxley and got married, and neither ha:l regretted it. They were as happy now as ever they were, and had no cause to regret tho day (applause).
Tributes to Mr. Small's worth and enthusiasm were paid by Ald. J. S. Pritchett (King's Norton), on behalf of St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham: Mr. Samuel Spittle, Mr. Harry Mason, of Old Hill, and Mr. W. II. Godden.-Mr. Mason proposed a rote of thauks to the Vicar for presiding, to the donors of the tea, and those who had prepared it; likewise to the secretary and treasurer of the presentation fund, Mr John Smith.-Mr: S. Spittle seconded the motion, which was unani mously carried.
Mr. John Smith, in reply, said that Mr. Small was worth all they had done for him. Forty years ago Mr. Small came to the belfry there and found the ringers with their bottle and pipe, but their friend altered all that kind of thing (applause). The ringers now attended the service. In the belfry there was a record of Mr. Small's enthusiasm. Mr. Small had erected two stone tablets himself, and handed them orer to the Vicar and wardens. One was placed in the body of the church, and was the only memorial in Tipton to the late Queen Victoria.

The Vicar also replicil.-During the evening, Mr. Spittle sang a specially-composed bell ringing song, the choil rendered glees, Mr. Daries sang, selections were given on handiolls by the ringers, and several pieces were played by Mr. Harry Withers on his dulcimer.
The above photographs are remroanced by kind permission of the proprietors of the " Dudley Ficrald.

## ROMNEY MARSH \& DISTRICT GUILD.

The February meeting of the Romney Marsh and District Guild, was held at Stone-in-Oxney, Kent, on Saturday, and although the attendance was rather poor, capital practice was obtained. Ashford, Appledore, New Rommey. Rye, and the local tower were represented, and the ringing included a 120 of Stedman Doubles, 720 of Bob Minor, 240 Oxford Treble Bob Minor, a 360 and other touches of Kent Treble B 5 Minor; also a course of Grandsire Triples, double-handed on handbells. The conducting was done by Messrs. C. W. Player, H. S. Humphery, G. Billenness and P. M. Pierce, whose name has been associated with linging for many years in Canterbury and the district. Mr. Pierce is at present residing at Ashford, and if he settles permanently in that town, his services will be cordially welcomed at any metings of the Guild. It is worthy of mention that Mr. P. Page, of New Rommey, rang his first touch of Kent Treble Bob, which method he had never practised proviously.
At the business meeting, it was decided to hold the March meeting at New Rommey on the third Saturlay in the month, and it was resolded to attempt a peal at the same church

## PETROCKSTOWE'S BELLS RESTORED.

The bells at Petrockstowe, Devon, with a tenor $8 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in A, have been rehung by Messis. Harry Stokes and Son, of Woodbury, and, as recorded in our last issue, the work has given the utmost satisfaction. The poor-toned tenor has been successfully recast, a treble added to make a ring of six, arre the musical peal has been rehung in a new iron frame. The original five bells were cast by John Pemnington, of Stokeclimsland, four in 1896 and the fifth in 1810, and about a year ago the fittings and frame were found to be in very bad condition. The parish, which boasts of one of the best appointed churches in the district, quickly rallied to the appeal to restore the bells, and they are to be congratulated upon the results of their cfforts. Archdeacon Sanders performed the declication ceremony, and proached a practical sermon, in which ho dealt with the history and uses of the bells, and the ringing during the day was taken part in by bands from Bow, Black Torrington, Petrockstowe, Buckland, Filleigh, Shebbear, and Dotton.
FINCTLEY.-On Dec. 8th, 720 Canterbury Pleasure, in 25 mins.: Barker (conductor) 6.

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Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association.
Cambridge Surorise Maximus by the College Youths.
Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on May 11th 1912.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association, June 1st.
Stedman Cinques by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17th.
Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the Kent Association, December 7th, 1912.

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## BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS.LICHMELD.

By J. R. Jerram.

An early record states that there was a bell-tower at Lichfield, which was consumed by fire, together with the bells it contained, in 1315 ; and there are no more records relating to bells till the fifteenth century, when Dean Heywood gave a bell called the "Jesus bell." This bell was destroyed in the wars during the Commonwealth. It is recorded in a MS. in the Bodleian Library, that " one Pickins, a pewterer, on July 26, $\epsilon_{53}$, knokt in pieces the


Lichfield Cathedral.
fair bell called Jesus at Lichfield; he being the chief officer appointed for demolishing that Cathedral."'

In I67o Bishop Hacket contracted for " six bells becoming a Cathedral," three of which were cast before his death, but the tenor only was hung. The peal was completed by his son and executor, Sir Andrew Hacket.

In "1687 the Hacket bells having become " bad and useless," a subscription was raised to replace them by a peal of ten. But the bell-founder, Henry Bagley, used up all The metal provided in casting the back eight, and f.8o more was required 10 complete the peal of ten. The money was, however, made up in some way, and many persons gave trees for the timber of the frame.

Thus the present peal was provided, the tenor of which weighs 28 cwt., and is 54 inches in diameter. The treble, ninth and tenor have since been recast. The inscriptions are as follows :

## Treble.

## RECAST AT GLOCESTER BY THOMAS RVDHALL <br> 5. 1764 ~ Second. <br> **CONFLAVIT*ME*HENRICVS*O BAGLEY*ANNO  Third.

CONFLAVIT ME HENRICVS BAGLEY ANNO SALVTIS 1688. $\square$ [arms of the See of Lichfield on the waist below. A cross potent quadrate, with four crosses patee at the four quarters, submounted by a mitre].

Foupth.
[The same as on the second]. Fifth, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth.
[The same as on the second, but with various ornaments between the words].

## Ninth.

PROSPERITY TO THE CHVRCH OF ENGLAND $\dagger \dagger \dagger C A S T$ BY ABEL RVDHALL $\dagger \dagger \dagger 1758 \dagger \dagger \dagger$

## Tencr.

THOMAS MEARS OF LONDON FECIT S ${ }_{18} 8_{13}$ :
In the central steeple is a small ancient bell known as the " Goe-bell." The inscription consists of an initial cross, a lombardic $F$ and two words apparently in " black letter" alphabet, which are quite illegible. Probably they are the name of some saint in the form of an invocation.

## ODD CHANGES.

The following, which appeared in the Barking " Parish Magazine," summarises, about as aptly as anything which we have seen, the art to which we are all so much devoted:-

Wanted.-Half a dozen young Churchmen to take up a useful branch of Church work-namely, the science and art of campanology. Vacancies have occurred in the St. Margaret's Society of Change Ringers. Qualifications necossary: Earnestness, enthusiasm, and energy. Preference will be given to those who are prepared to take up ringing seriously, and to give the greater part of their (spare) time to a study whioh is more brainy than billiards, more captivating than cricket, more fascinating than football, and more pleasurable than the -"pictures." Remuneration: More kicks than ha'pence.

The Lancashire Association, according to the annual report, has now 1,304 members, compared with 1,263 for the preceding year.

The Glasbury bell ringing competition shield, which was so kindly presented by Captain A. Glen Kidston on Empire Day, 1912, and won by the St. Peter's ringers, Glasbury, has just come to hand from the makers (Messrs. Elkington and Co., Ltd., Birmingham). The shield will be on view for a fortnight at Mr. A. F. Gwynne's, General Stores, Glasbury, and it is worth while any ringer, or anyone interested, calling and seeing this handsome and unique trophy.

The sad fate which overtook Captain Scott's party on their return from the South Pole recalls the fact that at Gestingthorpe, in Essex, there is a memorial to Captain Oates, who so nobly walked out to his death in a blizzard, in order to give his companions a better chance to make sood their escape.

In his regiment, the Inniskillings, Captain Oates was known as "No-Surrender Oates," on account of the fact that when called upon by the Boers to surrender in the South African War, he replied, "I am here to fight, not to surrender." In honour of this brave man's safe return the tenors at Gestingthorpe were recast by his mother, the fifth bearing in Latin an inscription of which the following is a translation: "In gratitude to God for the safe return with honour of her beloved son, Lawrence E. G. Oates, from the dangers of the war in Africa, C. A. Oates has caused this and the sixth bell, for a long time cracked and useless, to be recast in igor.

Before this the bells had been silent since 1832. In 1901 they were rehung by the parishioners. The front four bells are by Miles Graye, 1658 and 1659 .

Ancient peal records are always interesting, and next Thursday will be the I 43 rd anniversary of a peal of Bob Major at St. James', Bath, the record of which hangs framed in the tower: "On Tuesday, February 27 th, 1770 , was rung at St. James's in the City of Bath a true peal of Bob Major, consisting of 5040 changes, which was performed in 3 hrs. and 35 mins. by the following persons, viz.: Edward Trueman, James Trimmell, Thomas Tyley, Samson Parsons, John Rose, Philip Warren, Giles Fisher, called the 'Bobs.'" Mr. W. J. Prescott, who sends us this record, adds: " It would be interesting to know if these ringers belonged to Bath or not. Perhaps one of the old society's books could furnish us with the necessary information?

Yet another Bailey has taken up ringing at Leiston. Wilfred, the youngest of this remarkable family, rang his first 720 last week, when he took the treble to Bob Minor. He is 14 years of age, and doubtless before many months are up we shall have another peal by the brothers. The 720 was rung by Wilfred W. Bailey 1, E. S. Bailey 2, C. Sampson 3, A. F. Bailey 4, F. IV. Bailey 5, J. M. Bailey (conductor) 6.

The Fulbeck band on February ${ }^{13}$ th rang 720 of No. I3 of the Plain Hunt Minor given in the Central Council's "Legitimate Methods," and claim to name it " Fulbeck Bob.'

The first non-conducted peal in Lancashire, and probably in the North of England, was rung at Oswaldtwistle on Sunday in seven Surprise Minor methods. The peal was rung by members of the local band as a "farewell" to the six bells which are going to be rehung and two trebles added to make the octave, by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough.

## DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

That the experienced ringer is readily helping the learner at the district practices, is evidence of a spirit which should ensure the future success of combined practices in the Northern District.
Already over 30 individual ringers have taken part in the three practices so far held, the last of which was at Benwell (six-bell tower), where fourteen ringers attended. The curate of Benwell was present at the commencement, and the Vicar (the Rev. R. E. Shervell) visited the belfiy during the evening.
A somewhat unlooked for restilt of these practices is the opportunity which they give of bringing the claims of change ringing and the work of the Association before the clorgy of the different churches visited. On Saturday, a district practice will be held on the fine new peal of eight (tenor 17 cwt.), at Whitley Bay, at 6 p.m.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. BURTON-ON-TRENT DISTRICT.

A ringing meeting of the Burton-on-Trent district was held at St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, on Saturday week, the following towers being represented: St. Paul's and St. Modwen's, Burton; St. Andrew's, Derby; Lichfield, Grantham, Netherseale, Newhall, Hugglescote and Rolleston. Tonches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Duffield, Superlative Surprise and New Cambriclge Surprise Major were rung on the excellent ring of eight, which have just been recast by Messrs. Taylor and Co.
The Chairman of the District (the Rev. J. J. Stookley) presided at the business meeting, which was held in the belfry. One new ringing nember was elected, and Newhall was selected as the place of the next meeting to bo held on March 1st.-At the conchision of the meeting, a vote of thanks was accorded the chairman for tho use of the bells, and for presiding at the meeting.
The anmual meeting of the district was held in St. Modwen's belfry, on Tuesday weck. Owing to the unavoidable absence of the Rev. J. J. Stockley, Mr. W. W. Worthington was voted to the chair. The following officers and committee were elected for the ensuing year: Chairman, the Rev. J. J. Stockley; oommittee, Messrs. E. I. Stono and II. Hurdman; local secretary, H. Wakley. The following were then nominated as officers of the Association: President, Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart. : vice-president, Mr. John W. Taylor: hon. treasurer, Mr. W. C. Wakley; hon. secretary. Mr. W. E. White.-A vote of thanks to the local eecretary for his work in arranging the monthly mectings was carried, on the proposition of Mr. W. W. Worthington, seconded by Mr. G. Bull.-The usual rote of thanks to the Chairman brought the meeting to a olose. During the evening, touches of Triples and Major in various methods were rung on the tower bells

## CHELMSFORD BELLS.

## PROTEST AGAINST ESSEX ASSOCIATION PROPOAAL.

 To the Editor.Sir,--I see by "The Ringing World" it was suggested at a meeting of the Essex Association that, in expectation of St. Mary's bells being augmented to twelve in number, the Association should give one of the new bells, as its reserve funds amount to $£ 100$. I, as a momber, would like to call the attention of the committec and members generally, before the hand-earned subscriptions, of those who have for a great number of years helped to build up this Association and its funds, are allocated to such a purpose, to the following questions: What has the Association done towards defraying the trarelling expenses of members to meetings (officials excluded)? What las become of the question of a Ringers' Benevolent Fund? Who has taken the trouble to locate a poor brother string-and there have been, and still are, no doubt, those who could do with a helping hand? We hear a great deal at meetings of the injustice of the measure for the Disestablishment and Disendowment of the Church in Wales, yet these are the Fery people who do not scruple to take a large amount of money out of our funds to devoto to a murpose for which it was nover intended. Let us be consistent. Let the members see to it that these things shall not come to pass. Let them adopt other methods for getting money, whilst there are other calls that should be attended to. Shall we grease the fat sow? Echo answers "No." So let us hope that at the annual meeting at West Ham the members-to use an Hiber-nianism-will put their foot upon this suggestion with a firm hand!

VERITAS

## RINGERS' HANDICAP IN DERBY.

The annual meeting of the Derby district of the Midland Countics Association was held at St. Alkmund's Church on 'Tuesday week. It was pleasant to notice a good attondance, there being alout twentyfive present, chiefly from the local towers, and a few representatives from Duffeld. After a few towches of Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples, and. Duffield Major had been brought round, the business meeting was held, the following officers beine elected for the cusuing year: Mr. W. Wallace, chairman: Mr. B. Mitchell, hon. secretary; and Messrs. C. Draper and A. Madeley, committen, to tepresont the district.
Derby boasts of five peals of sught, and one of ten, but only three, peals of eight are avalable fo: change ringing. The two heaviest peals, All Saints' (ten) and St. Luke's (eight) are very seldom rung on account of their bad condition, and St. Werluugh's (eight) have been silent for some years. Considering the close proximity of houses and shops to the remaining three towers, St. Andrew's. St. Alkmund's and St. Peter's, Derby ringers arn somewhat handicapped for peal ringing, but the spirit is there, and, when opportunity occurs, it is generally made use of.
It is a good sign to notice more young men taking up the art of change ringing in Derby, and of they will only stick to it, they will find it good exercise for both body and mind, besides bringing them into closer tonch with the Church. One often finds young ringers bushful at asking questions concerning the Art, but they should be encouraged to to so in order to make their stuties ensier, and emnfidence goes a long way in change ringing.

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## THE ROBINSON MEMORIAL.

## DEDICATION OF SCREEN AT DRAYTON

The ringers' memorial to that wonderful man and ringer, the late Rey. F. E. Robinson, has been dedicated at the Parish Church, at Drayton, Berks, the scene, for a generation, of the labours of one whose name, so far as ringing is concerned, will live as long as the Exercise lasts. During his lifetime, the Rev. F. E. Robinson did much by his own hands to beautify his church, by some handsome carving, and when first the schemo for a memorial was promoted, it was hoped to crect a chancel screen, which he had, during his active life, set his heart upon placing in the churdh. This, however, was found to be a too ambitious proposal, and a carved oak sercen acrose the belfry arch was, therefore, substituted. It is the gift of the ringers of Eugland, and has been axecuted by Mr. Reed, of Excter.

The dedication took place on Saturday week, and was performed by the Archdeacon of Berkshire.

Long before the service, the church, of which the beloved Master of the Oxfond Guild was Vicar for nearly 30 years, was crowded with a large number of ringers and friends from all parts of the country. Among the clergy who robed for the service, were: The Ven. the Archdeacon of Berkshire, the Revs. Cyril W. O. Jenkyn (Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild), G. F. Coleridge, R.D. (Crowthorne), J. H. Sweet Escott (Kingston Baybridge), A. L. Foultes (Steventon), A. P. Hall (Marcham), H. T. Maitland (Abingdon), F. J. C. Chapman (Drayton), E. B. Mackay, J. N. K. Fortescue (Sutton Courtenay), 1.5. Broome (Hurst), I. Jackson (Milton), L. E. Lydekker (Wokingham). The members of the family present were: Mrs. Robinson (widow), Miss Robinson (sister), Miss C. Robinson, the Misses Robinson, Dr. W. E. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robinson. Amoug the ringers who attended were: Messrs. W. J. Nevard (Great Bentley. Eissex), A. Gregory, H. Gregory, A. J. Gregory, A. R. Kent (Vantage). E. Humfrey, H. Holifeld (Abingdon), C. Hounslow (Oxford), G. Brooks, J. Monk (Witney), G. Holificld, sens., G. Holifield, junr., R. White (Appleton), Gardener, Shepherd (Swindon), Lancaster (Stratton St. Margaret's), WI. Pole Routh, H. 'Tucker, A. J. Wright, J. Swain, W. A. Webb, C. Giles, W. Newell (Reading), J. W. Wilkins (High Wycombe), A. E. Lock (Sutton Courtenay), G. Caudwell (Drayton), Niss M. Chillingworth (Bradfield), Messis. F. W. Wocdwards (Chalgrove), J. W. Taylor (Loughborough), S. Paice (Wokingham), A. H. Pulling (Guildford). T. East, W. A. Napper, J. Napper, W. Con (Hagbourne), F. Webb (Kidington), and A. E. Recves (Secretary of the Oxford Diocesan Guild).

The service commenced with the hymn, :" 0 , God, our help, in ages past," and after the special pragers for the occasion, the clergy and choir proceeded to the west end of the church while the hymn, "Let saints on earth in concert sing," was sung. The screen was then wedicated by the Archdeacon, and as the clergy and choir returned to their stalls, a course of Stedman Triples was rung on the bells. Fol lowing the hymn, "Angel voices ever singing," the Arcideacon gave an address.

## A TRIBUTE OF GRATITUDE AND AFFECTION

The memorial, which lias just been dedicated to the Glory of God in memory of Francis Edward Robinson, he said, possesses an interest and importance which are altogether exceptional, if not unique. Seldom, if ever, has a momorial of the kind been erected in a village church by so wide a circle of friends. This one is erceted in memory of the late Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers "by the bell ringers of Britain and his friends." Further, it is not often that a memorial is inspired by such genuine and deep feelings of admiration, of gratitude, and of affection. Nor is it only personal interest, in a unique degree, which belongs to this memorial; it has a very real importance in relation to the life of the Church of England. It testifies to a work accomplished by our friend, the effect of which upon a large section of Churchmen throughout the country will never, we belicre, be lost. Tho truth of this will appear, as we proceed.

And if the interest and importance of the memorial be unique, its appropriateness is certainly striking, in more than one respect. First, as to the place of it. The place chosen for it is the Parish Church of Drayton, where ho ministered for 30 years; not any place of public resort, but his retired village church. The choice is significant. It witnesses to the fact that it was here, in the church which was the centre of his deeply religious life, and in the home whioh meant so much to him, that ho received the inspiration week by week and day by day fo: his great and exacting work. It also may remind us that however busy he might seem to be in promoting the art of bell ringing in the diocese and throughout the land, he never forgot that he was parish prient of Drayton, never neglected any part of his duty to the people committed to his charge. Ass a friend, who know him and his work most intimately, recorded at the time of his death, "Few country parisices have been more thoroughly worked than Drayton." Secondly, as to the form of the memorial - a carved oak screen umler the tower, between the nave and the belfry. Nothing would have pleased onr friend more, for two reasons. First, it is an omament of the kind ho liked. You remember how much he did, with his own skilful hands, to adorn it with oak carving. The choir stalls,
the organ case, the boncin ends, are all his handiwork; and, second, it is in the closest possible connection with the tower and belfry of the church.

## NOTABLE RECORDS

Keen as he was about anything connected with any belfry, none could over be to him what Drayton belfry was: not even Appleton with its 10 bells, two of which were his gift, and the scene of his greatest feat, a peal of 15,041 Stedman Caters in 9 hrs .16 mins . For it was his own belfry, and the peals rung there woro those which gave him the highest pleasure. Many tablets l'ecord them. Ainong others wo may recall today, the first peal rung by members of Oxford University; tho first clerical peal, all the members of the band being in Holy Ordere; the first peals of Doublo Norwich, London Surprise Major, and other peals conducted by an incumbent on his own bells; a "silent peal" of Stedman Triples, rung by eight expert ringers, no word being spoken, or sign given, during the 5040 changes; and last, but not least, the tablet which chronicles the completion of his own 1,000th peal, a record number. Is it not appropriate, to mar?s their undying admiration of the gifted comrade who performed thes? fcats and many more, that there should be an ornamental oak screen for his own tower and belfry in Drayton Church? But, there is still deeper significance and ajpropriateness in this memorial to the late Master of our Guild. It, symbolises the religions character of the art of loll ringing, and it commemorates the religious importance of the work which he did for the Church of England. A belfry screcn marks the sacredness of the belfry, as does a chancel screen, in a higher degree, the sacredness of the chancel, and it directs attention to the fact that a peal well rung, in a right spirit, is akin to an act of vorship. 'Ihat was the view which, as Vicar and as Master of tho Guild, our friend always took, and did all he conld to impress upon other ringers. Tence his custom of beginning peals with prayer and ending them with an ascription of praise; hence the wo Latin words on the tablets which record his great peals, "Laus Deo," i.e., " Praise be to God.". The peals were not only feats of ckill, by hand and eye and brain; they rang out God's praise. They were not for self-glorification, they were for the Glory of the God and Saviour Whom he loved and scrved.

## A MORAL, AND RELIGYOUS REFORMATION.

This was the secret of the wonderful change which he, with others, effected in the towers and belfries of Britain, and which has given to his work such a truly religious importance. In this diocese in particular, he wrought a change which was nothing less than a moral and religious reformation. Abuses, which were not uneommon in old days, alisappeared. Ringers did their ordinary work as a piece of Church work, ranking at least as high as that of choirmen, reverently, and in order. They set themselves to learn the higher and more difficult exercises of their Art in the spirit of the Master of their Guild. How then, may this change be perpetuated, and still further extended among ringers who have not yet como under its influence in the dioceses, or throughont the country? Surely through the personal eftionts of those of you who are ringers, or who look forward to being so, and of others who have heard of Francis lidward Robinson as a cclebrated ringer, or who know him in his book, "Among the bells." And ringers at Drayton will be helped in this as they pass through his memorial screen into the belfry under this inscription upon it:
Laudatis Dominum in Sanctis Ejus," i.e., "O Praise God in his holiness.' Finally let us thank God for all our friend by the grace of God was, as well as for all he was able to do. Let us thank God for his stern sense of duty: for his self-denying, abstemious life; for his strong physique and robustness of health, due, no doubt, in largo measure to bis abstemiousness; for his indomitable energy and powers of endurance, for his kindlinese and generosity; above all, for his strong religious faith and devoted service to God and his Church. We end, therefore, as we bogan, with the note of thanksgiving. For, you will not forget that we began this service with the brief dedication of another ornament for the church, a processional cross presented by two of your Drayton friends to Almighty God as "a thankoffering for his mercy." Let that cross as you look upon it, or see it carried in procession, remind you of the banner under which, as "Christ's faithful soldiers and sorvants," we aro pledged to serve and manfully to fight against sin, the world, and tho devil. Let us learn to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, as the sign of our salvation. The pledge and means of tho forgiveness of our sine, the power by which wo can bear with patience any discipline or trial which God, in His chastening love may lay upon us, after the example of Ilim by whose cross and passion God grant we may all be brought unto the Glory of His Resurection.

After the service, the visitors were entertained to tea by Mrs, Robinson.

## LONG STANTON'S MISFORTUNE.

## To the Widitor.

sir.-I am bappy to say that my query in your last issue has been satisfactorily answered. The cracking of the tenor (a thin bell by Miles Graye, 1658) was evidently a pure accident; and she had been quarter turned. It is a misfortune that deserves sympathy.-Yours faithfully,
St. Albans, Feb. 17h.

## THE DISPUTED PEAL AT WALIASEY.

## To the Editor.

Jear Sir,--It is very hind of the St. Mary's, Liscard, ringers, to try o protect Mr. Wileox from my insinuations, but I don't wish to recede from or retract a single sentence that I wrote in my previous letter I have no concern with Mr. Wilcox's relations to St. Mary's, Liscard, nor is theirs a parallel ease to what ocourred at St. Nicholas', Wallasey, and, moreover, the circumstances are entirely different. Whilst not saying that the primary motive of Mr. Wilcox's quarrel with mo is the loss of his fees at Wallasey, I still think, and am not alone in thinking, that many of our lrombles and hindrances in progaessive chango ringing are caused through ringers boing over-remunerated for their services.
But to return to the subject that began this correspondence, I want to arain affirm, and with emphasis, that our performance was a dislinctly good one, and when a man makes bimself conspicuously disagrocble by trying to besmirch another band's peal, and takes infinito pains to acquaint the secretary of the Guild, under whose auspices the peal was rung, that it was of a faulty character, he is certainly unt actunted by the highest motives.
In conclution, Sir, if this correspondenco does nothing else it may br: the means of improving the ringing in this particular locality, which is sadiy in need of it. Rut they inust always remember if they are ringing a peal and a trip occurs, they must, set their bells immediately, because ono never knows who is listening.- Yours faithfully, Iiverpool.

GEORGE R. NEWTON.
Dear Sir.-In reply to Mr. G. R. Newton's letter of the 7th, as being one of those unsolicited and infinitesimal persons, I have been asked on threo or fontr occasions to go and assist St. Nicholas' band with no ill-feeling whatever. While, as regards Mr. Wilcox's services, I happened to have been one of tho band on two occasions when three of it. Nioholas band scored their first 720. I also say that three more that band could ring and handle a bell before Mr. Newton started leach them. They learned the management of a bell at the Old Parish Church, Wallasey. I am very glad to hear that the Wirral branch has appointed Mr. Wilcox again; it shows the good fecling of the branch for him. Mr. Newton says he has tried to discourage this branch from ringing Grandsire Minor and other worthless six-bell mothods. I am aware that the Central Council has condemned Grandsire Minor, why, I do not know, and I do not know what other worthliss methods there are, unless Canterbury Pleasure is one of them. If that be so, I have been looking througlt "Tho Ringing World '" this werk, and I see that there are eleven peals on five and six bells, and out of them there are four which have Canterbury in, and five are Doubles, making nine out of eleven Being one of Mr. Wilcox's pupils, I should like to add that he, also, insists upon good striking, while as rouards the toy bells, Mr. Wilcox cannot help there not being wralth of metai.- Yours, one of those ding-dong monotony ringers. Wallasey.
H. ROGERS

Other letters on this matter are unaroidably held over.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

EASTERN COUNTIES BRANCH NAME CHAN゙GED
A quarterly meeting of the Eastern Counties branch, held at Gedney, ans well attended, about 36 sitting down to dinner, which was provided in the Schoolroom, and presided over by the Vicar" (the Rev. R. LL. Gales). -The Chairman gave the usual toast of "Crurch and King, ${ }^{\text {after which three new ringing members were elected. Sur- }}$ florg was selected for the next meeting on the last Saturday in May, stead of on Whit-Monday. - The Treasurer presented tho balance chret for the past year, which was duly passed.-In accordance with
nitice given, the name of the branch was altered to the Elloe Deanery metice gi
short selvice was held in the church in the afternoon, when an excelkent address was given by the Vicar.-Tea was kindly provided in Schoolroom by Miss Banks, who worked very hard during the day make the visitors comfortable.-Votes of thanks to the Vicar for use of the bells, etc., and to Miss Banks for her kindness in ining the members to tea brought to a close one of the most successful mectings ever held by the branch.-During the day the bells were kept roing in Grandsire and Stedman Doubles. and Miss Banks rang in two six-scores of Grandsire Doubles.

## A VISIT TO BERKSWELL.

Members of the St. Michael's Socieiy, Stoko-in-Coventry, visited rkswell on Feb. 8th, and on this fine peal of six, by Taylor (tenor, 17 cwt.), rang 720 of Double Oxford: O. J. IIunt 1, J. H. White 2, W'. Brinsdon 3, W. T. Cox 4. C. Fremman 5, A. Roberts (conductor) 6; and 720 of Oxford Treble Bol, conducted by Wr. H. Brunsdon, these heing the first 720's in these methorls on the bells. A 720 of Bob Minor was also rung, with W. Pryce, treble, and conducted by $C$. Fireman: and 720 by: A. James 1. M. Harris 2, C. Freeman 3, H.
Kettle 4. W. T. Cox 5, J. F. White (comhuctor) 6. The ringers wish, through the medium of this paper, to thank the Rector for the use of the bells, and Mr. James for laving them in readiness.

## ROUND THE FESTIVE BOARD.

SUGGFSTED 1RING OF TEN BELLS FOR BATTLE, SUSSEX
The Dean of Battle presided at the annual dimner of Battle ringers, Which was attended by many well-known townsmen and ringing visitors from Hastings. After the loyal toast had been honoured. "The Clergy and Churchwardens" was submitted, and received with enthusiasm.Mr. G. Watson, hon. secretary of the Sussex Association, proposed tho toast of. "The Battle Bell Ringers." Battle, he said, prided itself on its bells, and if he were asked he should say it was one of the three best rings in the county. If one of their local resident princes would like to have his memory perpetuated, he would do well to add two new trebles to the ring of eight, and then Battle would have the finest ring in Susscx (loud applause). The cost would only be about £150, and he hoped his suggestion would fall on fertile ground (applause). He would like to see more peals rung, and paid a high tribute to the services rendered by what he called the old stagers, mentioning Mr. Thomas, and Mr. Franks, who, he said, was one of the enthusiasts in the county in change ringing.
The name of Mr. Franks, the captain of the Battle band, was coupled with the toast, and that gentleman, in reply, said the suggestion thrown out by Mr. Watson to increase their ring to ten bells had made him more enthusiastic than ever. He sincerely hoped to see the ten bells (hear, hear). As to their ringing, they had done much during the past year, and hoped to do more next year. He had been ably assisted in his work by other members of the band. Mr. Franks spoke of the Salehurst ringers in terms of praise, and in conclusion, heartily thanked the subscribers for their excellent support.
Mr. Albion Thorpe, who submitted "The Health of the Dean," was reminiscent, and the Dean, in reply, reviewed some of the work which was being done so ably, but unobtrusively in the parish. Mr. Watson, he continued, had spoken of the grand old bells, and that took them back again in thought. He wished them to have two new bells. Perhaps they would come (loud applause). Let them hope they might (renewed applause). But don't let them forget the old ones. Those old bells bad been intimately associated with the religious life of the parish. Generation after gencration had rung those bells and called people to the House of God. Yes, and they spoke of somebody else; they spoke of the history of the parish. because in times of 'rejoicing it was the bells that proclaimed their gladness, and in times of sorrow it was the bells that told of their grief.
Later the Dean racated the chair, and Mr . Allwork presided for the remainder of a very conviyial evening. His health was once more drunk, and also that of Mr. Charles Martin, who the Chairman referred to as one of their best friends. At intervals some capital music was rendered by a glee party (Messrs. E. Cruse, C. Stapley, and C. Stapley, junr.), whilst songs were also given by Messrs. Carter, Thomas and Franks. Mr. Thorpe recited, and Mr. Percy Butler acted as accompanist, in the absence of the organist (Mr. Weller).

LICHFIELD.
On Wedncsday, January 29th the Lichfield ringers and friends, to the number of 55, sat down to an excellent repast provided by Host Bowdler, of the Maltshovel Hotel. Mr. J. H. 13ridgeman (in the unaroidable absence of Councillor II. G. Hall) presided, supported by his co-warden of St. Mary's (Mr. Percy Johnson), Councillor H. Larkin, Messrs. C. Thormoloe C. WV. Fredericks, A. Smith (son of a former Lichfield ringer), S. Smith, Wr. Smith, A. Dunn, T. Robinson, E. Gallimore, J. H. Gallimore, F. Cope, senr., F. Cope, junr., and others. After the loyal toasts had been honoured, the Chairman. in felicitous terms, proposed the toast of "The Lichfield Ringers."-Mr. F. Cone, senr. briefy acknowledged the compliment. and said they were pleased to see amongst them the oldest ringer in Lichfield, Mr. E. Gallimore, who had been a ringer at the Cathedral for 55 years, during 35 of which he had been captain, and only retired 18 months ago, through failing eyesight.-Mr. Gallimore (who, in spite of having well-passed the allotted span. looks hale and hearty), expressed the pleasure it was to be present, and gave a brief resume of the many changes he had witnessed since joining the Cathedral ringers in 1856, mentioning some of the reforms and alterations he had agitated for. and had had the pleasure of sceing carried out in the belfry during his long term of office.-Councillor Hall, who joincd the company later in the evening, and received a rousing welcome in proposing the toast of "The Chairman,', said he was rery much indebted to Mr. Bridgeman for so kindly stepping into the breach. IIe was bitterly disappointed at being unable to take the chair, owing to a previous engagement, but was delighted to hear that such a pleasant and enjoyable crening had been spent.-Mr. Bridgeman responded.-The artistes rere also toasted, on the proposition of Mr. Percy Johnson.-Sir Courtenay Worner, Bart., M.P., Councillor IF. G. Hall and Mr. S. Heath kindly contributed to the entertainment fund.

Some capital songs and recitations were given during the evening by Messrs. C. W. Fredericks (principal tenor Lichfield Cathedral). F. Cope, junr. (baritone), A. Norris (alto), W. Smith, C. Thorneloe, W. Hopley, T. Robinson and E. Gallimore; the humorous part of tine programme being entrusted to the popular local comedian, Mr. J. W. Waters, who rendered soveral items in his customary excellent manner. MTessre. Geo. Dawson and A. Myatt were the accompanists. The Lichfield handbell ringers (Mr. F. Cope, senr.. the Brothers Cope (4) and R. Phillips) gave some splendid selections on their fine set of handbells The enjoyment of the evening may be chiefly attributed to the energies of the indefatigable hon. secretary, Mr. F. Cope, jumr.

## RINGING BY DIAGRAM.

The figures at the side show the starting place of each bell; the small lines intersecting the diagram mark the place where the treble crosses the path of the working bell; and the asterisks the place where the working bell dodges with the treble.


THE BOB WORK.
Several correspondents have asked us to give the bob work in connection with these diagrams, and we think titis can best be done by explaining the difference which is made in the work. The places affected by the bobs are marked A, B, etc., and in the two methods above the work is affected as follows :-
A. Make 4 th's and take up work of 4 th. B. Extra dodge down and begin the work of 6th (with another dodge). C. Extra dodge up and begin work of 5 th (with another dodge).
D. Make 4 th's and take up work of 4th. E. Omit dodge and take up work of 2nd. F. Straight out and take up work of 3 rd.

The figures of a lead of the above methods differ only in the back-stroke lead of the treble.

In our diagram of Violet the asterisk for the dodge with the treble in the 4 th lead was placed by error, before instead of after the whole pull behind.

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## NOTICES.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The spring meeting will be held at Wickhambreaux and Littlebourne on Saturday, February 22nd, 1913. Towers opened at 3 p.m. Service at Wickhambreaux at 5 p.m. Tea kindly provided by Rev. G. Hyde Smith in the Village Club Room at 5.30 p.m.-E. Trendell, Honorary District Secretary, Boughton, Faversham.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Central Divi-sion.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Crawley on Saturday, February 22nd. Tower open 3 till 9. Service 4.15. Tea at 5 o'clock, at Mr. Leggett's, North Gate, by kind invitation of the Rector.-A. D. Stone, Divisional Honorary Secretary, 29, Ashton Street, Brighton.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. -- Ashford District.-A meeting of the above will be held at Mersham on Saturday, February 22nd. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Special service at 5 o'clock. An allowance of one penny per mile one way, maximum 2s., will be paid to all members attending. Subscriptions are now due, and will be cheerfully accepted at the meeting by C. Tribe, Honorary District Secretary, British Schools Villas, Tenterden.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Whitefield on Saturday, February 22nd. Bells available at 5•30. Meeting at 7.-W. W. Wolstencraft. Branch Secretary.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Luton District.-The annual meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, February 2nnd, 1913. Bells available from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Will all members kindly make it convenient to be present.-A. King, Honorary Secretary, 6, Tavistock Crescent, Luton.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford Dis-trict.-The annual meeting of the above district will be held at Sharnbrook on Saturday, February 22nd. Bells (six) at 3.30 p.m. Tea, 6 d . each, at 5.30 p.m.-John W. Barker.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established ${ }^{16} 37$ ).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 27 th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 25 th. Also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturday evenings. St. Magnus 7.30, the others 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.V.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at the new church of St. John the Divine, Coppull, on Saturday, March ist. Bells available from 3 o'clock. The outward train service from Preston is inconvenient, but a motor 'bus service runs between Chorley and Coppull every hour from 12 noon. A good attendance is requested.-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-dale.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Stony Stratford on Saturday, March ist next. Service at 3 p.m. -Thomas Best, junr., Secretary, Bletchley.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. - The next monthly mecting of this society will be held at Doncaster on Saturday, March ist, Parish Church of St. George, 8 bells, tenor 30 cwt., available 4 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.-J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, if, Havelock Street, Sheffield.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting of the Maidstone district wili be held at Maidstone on Saturday, March ist, 1913. Bells available at 3 p.m. Short service at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meat tea at the Maidstone Restaurant, Bank Street, $5 \cdot 30$ p.m. A charge of 3 d. per member will be made for tea. All members intending to be present for tea must notify me not later than Tuesday, February 25th, 1913. Subscriptions are now due.-G. Moore, District Secretary, 7r, Florence Road, Maidstone.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-The annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at Ye Olde Royal Hotel, Temple Row, Birmingham, on Saturday, March ist, at 6.30 p.m. The chair will be taken by Sir Arthur Percival Heywood, Bart. Tickets free to fully qualified members whose subscriptions are paid up to date, to other members and friends 2 s ; 6 d . each. The bells of St. Martin's (12) and St. John's, Deritend (8) will be available from 3 to 5 o'clock.-A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, in, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Bur-ton-on-Trent District.-A ringing meeting will be held at Newhall on Saturday, March ist. Bells read at 3 o'clock. -Harry Wakley, Local Honorary Secretary.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.--South and West Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Feltham on Saturday, March 1 st. Ringing from 4 o'clock. Tea at 6, 6d. each. All are welcome.-H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch.-The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Todmorden Parish Church on Saturday, March Sth. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 7 o'clock. All ringers welcome. The committee meet at Todmorden on the same day. - J. H. Bastow, Branch Secretary.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-The half-yearly meeting of the above will be held at the church of St. Thomas, Milnthorpe, by kind permission of the Vicar, on Saturday, March Sth, 1913. Bells (six) available from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Meeting at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Short service in the church at $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.-W. Robinson, Honorary Secretary.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be held at St. John the Baptist's, Hillingdon, on Saturday, March 2gth. Full particulars will be announced later.-C. T. Coles, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow, and H. C. Chandler, Church Road, Heston, Honorary Secretaries.
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MESSRS, GILLETT and JOHNSTON, OROYDON, ith March, 1118. Gentlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten balla with the addition of two now onem in the tower of St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given EOneral 時tigfaction.

I am anthorised by tiee Rector und Wandens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opision of those well quallited to frdee, we have raw, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom.

Foar faithtully, F. T. BECX,
Architeot, Dioseman Surreyor.

## CHELMSFORD BELLS.

The public to-day have very few privileges which they can exercise to unlimited degree, but one of these certainly is that of being allowed to grumble over things with which they do not agree. In this spirit "Veritas" wrote to us last week anent the proposal of the Essex Association to give cne of the trebles to Chelmsford Church to make a peal of twelve for the county's future cathedral. "Veritas" will find a well-reasoned answer from Canon Papillon in our columns to-day. This letter should allay the misgivings which any critics of the scheme may have. For ourselves we think the suggestion of the Association a most admirable one from several points of view, the principal of which is that it will demonstrate in a very tangible fashion that ringers are not imbued with any spirit of selfishness, but are prepared, where they can, to assist Church authorities in providing the bells which it gives them so much pleasure to ring. The case of Chelmsford is exceptional. At present Essex possesses no peal of twelve bells, and St. Mary's Church is to become the mother church of the new diocese. The opportunity of making the bells of a character befitting the importance of the sacred fane ought not, of course, to be missedeveryone will agree to that. The point as to whether the Essex Association should provide one of the bells is the only matter at issue, and if it can do so, as Canon Papillon asserts it can, without seriously undermining its financial stability, then we do not think the members need cavil at the proposai.
On some other points raised in the letter by "Veritas" we have no doubt many members of the Essex Association will be in agreement. The question of allowance towards railway fares is one which ringers would naturally look upon with favour, but it is, of course, a matter of financial adjustment. With Canon Papillon, we do not think an annual subscription of one shilling would stand any large drain by way of payments for travelling expenses, but no doubt the committee would give the matter consideration if it were brought before them. The establishment of a benevolent fund is a matter which we should much like to see taken up. The Insurance Act has by no means removed the opportunities for good which such funds can do, and, as the Kent and Sussex Associations have already proved, even in a short while, it is possible to accumulate quite a substantial sum for the purposes of relieving ringers in distress, Essex is in a particularly strong financial position and might well move in the direction indicated. Perhaps "Veritas" will bring the matter up when the Association holds its annual meeting, and induce the executive to do something towards the establishment of such a fund.

## CHARLES CARR, ${ }^{\text {,T0 }}$



SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

## LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Saturday, February 22,1913, in Three Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael, Cornhill,
A PEAL OF StEdMaN Cinques, 5002 Changes ;
Tenor 4 r cwt.
Henry Springall ... ...Treble John N. Oxborrow... ... 7 Challis F. Winney ... ... 22 Frederick Dench ... ... 8 Harry R. Pasmore ... ... 3 Alfred B. Peck ... ... 9 Herbert Langdon ... ... 4 John W. Golding ... ... io Henry R. Newton ... ... 5 William T. Cockerill... i i Thomas Faulkner ... ... 6 William H. Pasmore ... Tenor Composed by Frederick Dench and Non-Conducted.
Umpires: Henry Dains (Royal Cumberland Youths), and George W. Wild (Ancient Society of College Youths).
This peal was rung upon strictly non conducted principles and was the first peal on twelve tower bells rung under these conditions.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

PLYMOUTH.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Thursday, February 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;
Tenor 35 cwt., in C.
 Prebendary Burroughs, who has resigned the living of St. Andrew's, and gone to St. Peter's, Tiverton.

CHESTERFIELD, DEIRBYSHIRE THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(Sheffield District Society.)
On Saturday, February 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirieen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary and All Saints,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5004 CHANCE8;

Tenor $24 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Fred Davies ... ... ...Treble Frederick E. Smith ... 6 George Hollis ... ... 2 Ernest H. Clarke... ... 7 Albert H. Ward ... ... 3 Arthur Knights ... ... 8 †John Fint ... ... ... 4 Walter Wallace ... ... 9 Charles Draper ... ... 5 Bart Mitchell ... ...Tenor

## Composed by Arthur ínights, and

 Conducted by Aebert H. Ward.*First peal on ten bells. $\dagger$ 300th peal. First peal of Stedman Caters as conductor.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES. THF SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Salurday, February 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR,; ; 8 CHANCES; Tenor 17 cwt. I qr. 20 lbs.
Philip Aelfrey ... ... ...Tteble $\mid$ Ernest Gower ... ... 5 Henry Stalham... ... ... 2 Richard Stredwick ... 6 Edward C. Merritt... ... 3 John Capp... ... ... ... 7 George H. Howse ... ... 4 Keith Hart ... ... ... Tenor Composed by William Willson, and Conducted by Keith Hart.
Rung as a farewell to the Vicar (the Rev. Harcourt Anson) who is leaving Southover for Shipton-X3ellinger.

## LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 15, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Tventy-cight Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHAHGES; Tenor 23 cwt., in $D$ flat.
Arthur Symonds ... ...Treble $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered}\text { Charles Woodcock }\end{gathered}\right.$... 5
William Dent... ... ... 2 *William Fayers ... ... 6

* Harry Crick ... ... ... 3 Thomas W. Garrard ... 7
*George Lambert ... ... 4 W. R. John Podlson ...Tencr
Composed by J. Nicholl, and Conducted by A. Symonds.
* First peal in the method. Rung, with the bells deeply muffled, as a token of respect in memory of those heroes who lost their lives returning from the South Pole.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, February 7.8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 9 cwt . o qr. 26 lbs .

* William G. Edwards ...Treble Charles J. Fray ... ... 5 Henry W. Wilkes ..... .12 William H. George $\quad . .$. -George Williams ... ... 3 "Charles Edwards...... Alan R. Macdonald ... 4 William T. Tucker ...Teno Composed by Henry Dains, and
Conducted by George Williams.
* First peal of Double Norwich. 50th peal by C. Edwards, for whom it was arranged.


## ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, February 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-secuen Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thurstans' Four-Part. George Spencer ... ...Tyeble Frederick G Goddard ... 2 Cin 5 Thomas Beadle... ... ... 3 Frank Skevington... ... 7 William New ... ... ... 4 George W. Coombes ...Tenor Conducted by F. Skevington.
First peal in the method as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. George A. Ransom and F. G. Goddard; also to the youngest daughter of C. F. W. Hunt.

BOLDMERE, WARWICKSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, Fcbruary 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES; 5040 CHANCES;

Sir A. P. Heywood's Variation of Thurstans'
"Charles Cottrell ... ...Treble George Garrison ... ... 5
 John Sanders ... ... ... 3 George F. Sivann ... ... 7
 Conducted by George $F$. Swann.

* First peal in the method. This peal was arranged specially for Mr. Thomas Wells, parish clerk of Erdington, and as a birthday compliment to Mr. William G. Anker, tower-keeper of Boldmere.

CURDRIDGE, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, February 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CNANCES;

## Holt's Ten-Part.

Edwin Wellstead ... ...Treble
William J. Rives ... ... 2
Alfred Mears
Henry W. Wilokes ...

Tenor 26 cwt .
George Williams. -Charles H. Russell ... $\quad 6$ Andrew Mears ... ... 7 Gilbert Bull ... ... ...T Thor Conducted by George Williams.

- First peal of Grandsire.


## ROTHERHAM, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Satudily, February 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes. At the Church of St. Stephen, Eastwood,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor I2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in $G$.

| *Arthur Andrews | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Treble | David Brearley... | .. | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Josepf Atkin... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | George Halksworth | .. | 6 |
| George Lewis... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | John H. Brothwell | $\ldots$ | 7 |
| -Arthur Hague | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Clement Glenn... | .. | Teror | Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood, and Conducted by Clement Glenn.

* First peal in the method.


## WHITCHURCH, SHIROPSHIRE.

THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.
On Saturday, February 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Alkmund,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

 Washbrook's Ten Part. Tenor 20 cut.George J. Taylor... ...Tyeble E. R. Trevor Corbett... 5
William J. Taylor ... 2 Alfred Fullick ... ... 6
*Ernest Jones ... ... ... 3 Charles R. Lilley ... 7
Fred W. Taylor ... ... 4 "Thomas W. Belton ...Tenor Conducted by Charles R. Lilley.

* First peal of Stedman.


## HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COL,LEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, February 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-cight Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Thomas H. Taffender ...Treble
Christopher H. Hugries 2 Henry T. Gowlett... ... 3
Frederick G. Biggs
Conducted by Frederick J. Hardy.
John Evans ... ... ... 5 Ralph Biggs 5
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Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Carter, of Vale Cottage, Downley.

## HANDSWORTH, BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, February 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE HAJOR, 5056 CHANCES ; Johnson's Variation. Tenor I2 cwt., in F sharp.

| John Neal ... $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | .. Treble | Morris J. Morris | .. | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alf Paldon Smith | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Samoll Grove... | $\ldots$ | .. |


Conducted by James E. Groves.

* First peal of Cambridge away from treble and first attempt.


## EDMONTON.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, Februry 22, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of Ale Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCEE;
Heywood's Variation of Thurstans' Four-Part.
Miss Edith K. Parker Treble | William A. Alfs ... ... 5 *Miss Makgery F. Simpson 2 Wilby J. Hazell ... Charles H. Austin ... 3 James Parker ... ..... .7 E. Maurice Atrins ... 4 George Paice... ... ... Tenor Conducted by Miss E. K. Parker.

* First peal in the method. This peal was arranged for Misses Belcher and Sampson and was attempted in the afternoon at Waltham Abbey, but owing to illness had to be abandoned after a quarter-of anhour's ringing. Unfortunately Miss Belcher could not stay for the peal at Edmonton. Miss Sampson received the hearty congratulations of the band at the conclusion of the peal.


## PRESTON

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Preston and Blackborn Branches.) On Saturday, February 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Parish Сhorch,
a PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Thurstans' Foor-Part. Tenor $25 \neq \mathrm{cwh}$. *Thomas Wilson ... ...Treble Arthur Tomlinson... ... 2 E. Roger Martin ... ... 3 Fred Hindle ... ... ... 4 Conducted by W. E. Wilson.

* First peal of Stedman.

ASHTEAD, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, February 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE ; Holt's Original.

| William Robinson | ... | .. Treblo | William H. Corbett | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John Hoyle | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. | .. | 2 | George A. Cook | | John Crawford ... | ... | .. | 3 | Richard Kendall | .. | .. | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| David anscomb |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Conducted by William H. Corbett

Rung in honour of the 2 rst birthday of Mr. James Wyatt, son of Mr. John Wyatt, captain of the Ashstead band; also as a birthday compliment to Mrs. William Cook and Mr. G. A. Cook.

## MITCHAM, SURREY

 THE SURREY ASSOCIATION On Saturday, Febratry 22, 1913, iat Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Padl,A PEAL OF dQUble NORWICH COURT bOB MAJOR, 5040 Changes; Joseph A. Lambert ... ...Treble James D. Drewett ... ... 2 Robert Grimwood ... ... $\quad$ Dodglas W. Drewett ... 3 *William H. Joiner ... 7 Benjamin Morriss ... ... 4 William S. Smith... ...Tenor Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood, and Conducted by Willian S. Smith.

* First peal in the method.

LAVENHAM. SUFFOLK. THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 22, 1913, in Theee Hours and Twenty-four Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
a peal of kent treble bob major, 5024 changes;
Tenor 23 cwt ., in D flat.

 | George Lambert | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | Thomas W. Garrard... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John O'Neill | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 4 | William R. J. Poulson tenor | John O'Neill $\quad \cdots$ Composed by A. Knights, and Conducted by H. Barton.

This was arranged for Messrs. Barton, of Southwell, W. Fussell, of Slough, Bucks, J. O'Neill, of Halesworth, who were elected members previous to starting. This was the conductor's 1 joth peal, and rung on the anniversary of the birth of George Washington.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, February 22, 1913, in Tkree Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Dunstan in the East,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor ${ }_{2} 4 \mathrm{cwt}$.


TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.
TIIE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Febyuary 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREbLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 Changes;

Tenor $14 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

 Stephen J. Perkins... ... 4 Stephen Perkins, Senr. Tenor Composed by A Knights, and
Conducted by Stephen Perkins, Sent.

* First peal in the method. This peal was arranged as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. Latter, but he was unwell and unable to stand in, and Mr. Perkins kindly took his place at short notice.


## EYE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, February 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
a peal of double norwich court bob major, 5088 changes ; Tenor 21 cwt.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

SHERFIELD, HANTS
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, February 17, 1913, in Trio Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Leonard,


Conducted by W. Bennett.
First peal by all the band and first attempt. This peal was rung iry honour of the Rev. J. B. Barker being made Rector of the parish.

GESTINGTHORPE, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, February 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Ernest Pearson
Olave Broyd ..
... ...Treble
Olave Broyd ...


Lewis Wiseman

$\qquad$
$\qquad$ 4
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First peal as conductor. E. Pearson was elected a member before starting, and this was his first peal and first attempt. It was rung to celebrate the birthday of a daughter of H . Cansell.

CROWLAND, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, February 20, 1913, in Three Hows and Fifteen Minutes,
At the Abbey Church of St. Guthlac,
A PEAL OF bOB minor, 5040 Changes;
Being seven 720's differently called.

## Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

 | Edwin Tilley | $\ldots$ | .. | 2 | Isaac P. Bennett | ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| William Waldron | $\ldots$ | 3 | George Jotson | .. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |

Conducted by George Jotson.

* First peal. This is believed to be the first peal on this ancient ring of bells, the tenor having been last recast in $\mathrm{I}_{4} 64$.

STEBBING, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
(Stebbing Branch.)
On Friday, February 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford, and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, and Plain Bob.

> Tenor io cwt.

Alfred Barker ... ... ...Treble Harry P. Emery ... ... 4 George Schlueter ... ... 2 J. Thomas Barker... ... 5 Edward Hynds ... ... ... i. . Edward Claydon ... ...Terer Conducted by Edward Claydon.
The above peal was rung as a farewell to G. Schlueter, who is leaving the parish, having joined the Metropolitan Police. His fellow ringers wish him every success, but all are very sorry to lose him from the company.

BURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Februtry 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-cight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Being 720 each of College Pleasure, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Violet, Woodbine, Kent, and Oxford. Tenor about I4 cwt.

* Herbert Saddington ...Tyeble $\mid$ Pearl Inskip ... ... ... 4 Henry W. Gayton ... ... 2 Charles W. Clarke ... 5 Harry Meadows ... ... 3 George Lines... ... ...Treble Conducted by George Lines.
* First peal and first attempt. First peal as conductor in seven Treble Bob methods. First peal of Treble Bob on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd.

EASTCHURCII, ISLE OF SHEPPEY, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF BINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, College Single, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob.
Harry Jewiss ... ... ...Treble Thomas Jull ... ... ... 4 Cecil C. Bishop ... ... 2 William J. Walker ... 5 William T. Hyland ... 3 William H. B. Wilkins Tenor Conducted by W. H. B. Wilkins.
Messrs. Jewiss and Jull hail from Tunstall, Bishop and Hyland from Upchurch, Walker from Rainham and W. H. B. Wilkins from Sheerness.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## LEICESTER

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
Or Saturday, February 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes, At the Residence of W. Willson, 4, Keythorpe Street,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

| *Edgar Vallance ... | $\ldots$ | I-2 | William Wilison | $\ldots$ | $5-6$ |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| E. Madrice Atkins | $\cdots$ | $3-4$ | William Willson, Junr. | $7-8$ |  | E. Maurice Atkins ... $3-4$ William Will

Composed by W. Willson, and Conducted by E. M. Atkins. Umpire: T. Henry Hardy.

* First peal in the method. Arranged for Mr. E. M. Athins, o London. First handbell peal by the ringers of $I-2$ and $7-8$.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On IVednesday, Febrnary 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At the Residence of A. H. Pulling,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Maurice Smither ......$\quad$ I- 2 | Willoughby E. Maulden 5-6 Alfred H. Pulling ... 3-4 |homas W. Radford ... 7 - 5 Composed by H. Price, and Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling. Witness: Mrs. Pulling.
This peal was arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to Francis S. Wilson, of Tewkesbury, late of Ludlow.

## HARWICH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, February 20, 1913, in One Hour and Fifty-two Minutes, At ihe Residence of A. T. Morris,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Arthor T. Morris... ... I-2
George Thompson... ... $3-4$ Tower Taylor ... ... 7 - 8
Composed by W. Harrison, and
Conducted by A. T. Morris. Witness: E. Avis.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, February 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirteen Minutes, In the Vestry of St. Margaret's Church,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Charles F. Bailey ... I-2 ${ }^{\text {Chent }}$ S. Bailey... ... 5-6 James M. Bailey ... ... 3-4 Edgar H. Bailey... ... 7 - 8

Composed by Arthor Knights, and
Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.
Umpire: George Wilson.
GESTINGTHORPE, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, February 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Residence of Olave Broyd,

## A PEAL OF MINOR. 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob, each called differently.
George Pannell ... ... i-2 | Olave Broyd... ... ... 3-4 Albert Catterwell ... 5-6 Conducted by Olave Broyd. Umpire: Ernest Pearson.
First peal in three methods by all, and rung at the first attempt.

## CAMBRIDGE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, February 24, 1913, in One Hour and Forty-five Minutes,
At Pembroke College,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
J. Bruce Williamson ... i-2 | William D. James ... 3-4 *Albert E. Austin ... 5-6
Conducted by William D. James.

* First peal in any method, and rung at the first attempt.

The umpire of the handbell peal at Grantham on February inth was R. H. Daniels.

## CLAIMS TO AUTHORSHIP. MR. LINDOFF'S FINIS.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir,-Mr. Dains finds it hard to beliere that more peals can be obtained on the plan. Well, just to let him see that I am not like himself, given to idle boasting, I enclose two more; and, at the same time, remind them that this class of peal was originated by me; and mine they will all remain. I am not to be bounced by them or anyone else; nor shall I trouble to answer any more of their croaking. 5040 .

In these two peals, as in my two previous ones, the calling may be started after course-end 32546 , when they would retain the same qualilies, and same authorship.
G. LINDOFF.

## LEGITIMATE METHODS.

## THE NAMES UP-TO-DATE.

Writing in reply to Mr. Sharples, who in our issue of Jan. 31, enquired for the names of tine Legitimate Methods published in the Cenlral Councii's Collection, Mr. $\underset{T}{ }$. Blood, of Biggleswade, says: I have taken the trouble to go through my ringing books aud I can give a list of thoee methods that have been rung and claimed through the ringing papers. Mr. Sharples is rather late in claiming two of these methods as they have appeared in print years ago. I tinst my effort will meet the eyes of those interested in those methods. The names are as follows:-
Plain Methods (page 5) No. 5.-Hereward Bob rung at Bourne, Lincs., Feb. $16 \mathrm{t} 1 \mathrm{~h}, 1910$; No. 6.-Reverse, Hereward Bob; No. 8--St Lawrence Bob: No. i0. - Frodsham Bob; No. 11.-Stepney Bob; (not double). These methods were publiched in the "Ringing World," May 12th, 1911. No. 19.-Roydon: No. 23.-Brentford Single.

Court Metlicds.-No. 24.-Single Court, or London Single
Treble Bob Methods.-No. 2.-Sandal Exercise: No. 3.-Grandsire Treble Boí (rung at Bourne, Lines., April 16th. 1910); No. 4.Furton Treble Bob; No. 8 is also linown as Gollege Exercise; No. 12.Cambridge Treble Bob: No. 14.-Killamarsh Treble Bob; No. 15.This has four names, Trinity in 1906, Coventry in 1910, Norbury in Oct. 29th, 1911, and also Sandiacre Treble Bob, Oct. 1st, 1911; therafore Trinity has first claim; No. 18.-Kingston Treble Bob No. $19 .-$ No bury Treble Bob (rung at Xorbury, July '26th, 1912)
Fourthe-Place Delights. - No. 8. -Southwark; No. 12.-Wragby; No. 13.-Willesten rung Aug. 15t, 1911: No. 14--Hull ("Ringing World," Eept. 6th, 19:2); No. 16.-Nensden ("Ringing World," Dec. 8th, 1911); No. 17.-Ol1 Cxforl Modernisert; No. 20.-College Bob 4th, and as Bocking Treble Bob by A. Huckson, of Braintree (per C. W. Clarke, Bodford) in the "Tinging World,: May 10 th j.912; N. 19.-Norwio': No. 27. Sutton ("Ringing World,' Sept. 6th. 1912).

Third's-Place Delights.-No. 13.-Kent; No. 19.-Chelsea; No. 26.Coventry; No. 34.-Dunedin; No. 35.-Ely.

Surprise-No. 1.-Munden; No. 2.-Alnwick ("Ringing Wiorld," April 14th); No. 4.-Morpeth ("Ringing World," Aug. 18th, 1911) 5.-Newcastle (Feb. 9th. 1909); No. 7.-Whitley (Jan. 15th, 1911); No. 8.-Northumberland (Jan. 22nd, 1911); \#o. 10 (May 28th, 1911) *No. 11 (June 4th, 1911) ; *No. 12 (June 18th, 1911); *No. 13 (June 16th, 1911) ; No. 14.-London: No. 15.-Welle; No. 16.-Lincoln (publishod Feb. 2nd, 1907, as Southwell): No. 17.-Cunecastre (March 30th 1909) ; *No. 18 (June 11th, 1911); *No. i9 (July 23rd, 1911); *No. 20 ; *No. 21 (July 20th, 1911); No. 22.-Lancashire Surprise (June 15th, 1907); No. 23.-Lightfoot: No. 24.-Stamford (March 24th, 1911); No. 25.-Wearmouth; No. 28.-Netherseale Surprise, rung at Nethersaale (March 11th, 1911); No. 30.-Hexham (rung February 26tn, 1911) ; No. 31. Surfleet (February 12th, 1911); No. 34.-Berwick ("Ringing World," April 14th, 1911); No. 35.Beverley ("linging World," April 14th, 1911); No. 40.-Hull (April 23 rd , 1911) ; No. 41.-Bourne (rung April 3rd, 1910). Those marked * were published in the "Ringing World" on August 18th, 1911, and up to the present they remained amongst the unnamed. The above are correct. as they have appeared in print, and I would again appeal to the Whitley Bay ringers to finish naming the Surprises, as they have rung them all. Will Mr. Severn, of Anston, also look through the book and see if he has any methods by him like them, as I know they have rung in lot with names which I have never seen elsewhere.

## A MEETING AT BRISTOL

A meeting of the Bristol branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association was held at St. Matthew's Church, Bristol, on Saturday, and was well attended, about 35 being present.-Ringing commenced at 6 o'clock. The business meeting was held in the Parish Hall, the chairman (Mr. H. T. Howell) presiding.-Six now performing members and one hon. member were elected.-It was decided to hold the next meeting at. St. George's on April 5th.-Ringing was afterwards continued at St. Matthew's and St. Stephen's Churches.

## DEATH OF MR. C. CASTLE, BALDOCK.

It is with deep regret we have to announce the deati of Mr. Charles Castle, of Baldock, Herts, who passed away at his residence, Alma Cottage, after a few days illness from pnemmonia, on Friday, February 14 th, at the early age of 39 years. Deceased had been a ringer at the Parish Church for twenty years, and a member of the Hertfordshire Association, and had taken part in six peals, viz., two of Grand sire Triples, three of Stedman Triples and one of Kent Treble Bob Major. On Sunday week for morning and evening services touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung, the bells being muffled. The funeral took place on the following Tuesday at the Cemetery, the Rector (Rev. Canon Nairne) officiating. Amongst the floral tributes was one in the shape of a bell from his fellow-ringers, with the following inscription: "With deepest sympathy and kind remembrance from the ringers of the Baldock company." In the evening touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung with muffled bells. Mr. S. E. Roberts, of Royston, formerly a member of the Baldock band, took part in the ringing, and was also present at the funeral. Much sympathy is felt for the widow and her family in their sad bereavement.

## CHELMSFORD BELLS.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION PROPOSAL.

## To the Editor.

Sir, -With respect to the letter signed (not quite happily) "Veritas," the present officials of the Essex Association and most of its members. will probably ignore the insinuations of one who does not form his charges openly over his own name. As a former official, who has now severed his connection with Essex, I may, perhaps, point out (1) that the proposal to give a new treble to the future Cathedral of the Essex Diocese does not, as might appear from his letter, involve the expencliture of the whole reserve fund, but (as I understand) of less tian a third; (2) that if the association attempted to do anything "towards defraying the travelling expenses of members to meetinge," the subscription would have to be fixed at much more than 1s. a year, while, as a matter of fact, those who do attend meetings get a good "bonus" in reduced charges for tea or dinner; (3) that a Ringers" Association is not a benefit society, and had better keep to its own business if it wishes to remain solvent. By all means have a Ringers Benevolent Fund, but on a regular financial basis, and on a muoh wider scale than the limits of a single association.
Meanwhile, will "Veritas," if he has anything more to say, give his name, that we may know what weight attaches to his opinion?-Yours faithfully,
T. L. PAPILLON

## St. Albans.

(formerly Master of the Essex Association).

Sir,-Having read "Yeritas" " letter re the above bells, $I$, as the mover of the motion that the Essex Association of Change Ringers qive the troble bell to St. Mary's, Chelmsford, beg to ask "Veritas" kindly to forward his name and address to me. If he will do this I will forward him the facts of the proposition. If lie fails to do so then [ ignore his letter and class lim as one of those who have nothing to say at a menting, but directly it is over starts with his complaints to a amall number ontside. -Yours truly,

## District Secretary, Chelmsford.

## THE BRISTOL SURPRISE RECORD.

To the Editor.

Sir,-I had no intention of entering into any further correspondence on the subject, as I think too much space has already been wasted over discussing a performance which no just person would have said a word against. But there are one or two statements Mr. Winney makes ohich I feel bound to dispute. The majority of his letter would puzzle ic Attomey-General; but one statement he makes is that two of the and have confirmed what he tried to explain in his first letter. This ; absolutely untrue, as no one has ever admitted tīat there was a ruddle or any serious trip. He also says that he told one of the and that it would have been better if one man had not been in it I regret very much that I was not the one he spoke to about it. I hope he will not be offended if I tell him our band could not have been improved upon had I included anyone in it that was in his 12,000 to the exclusion of the person he refers to.
W. PYE.

Dear Sir,-Referring to Mr. Winney's letter in your issue of the 7th inst. I was surprised that he should see fit, after a lapse of eight nonths, to makc such insinuations, knowing, as he does, that the ringing was extraordinarily good. I heard as much of the peal as the majority present (about 12,000 changes), and timed the ringing by my watch. At 1 o'clock they were going 28 changes to the minute, but at 1.5 oclock a slight trip occurred which lasted six changes, when the bells got into their stride again. For Mr. Winney to say there was a "nasty trip" at 6 oclock is making a false assertion, as such a thing never occurred. If Mr. Winney will recollect I stapped him on the back just as the bells came home, and said, "Winney they've beaten you, give then a clap, for they deserve it," and he replied "So they do,' and he did so with others present, and afterwards went up into the belfry, and congratulated the band on their suocess and said, "It was very good what I heard. I have not been here long.'-Yours faithfully,
February 18th.
ARTHUR J. NEALE.

## SHREWSBURY RINGERS ATя WHITCHURCH.

On Saturday members of the Salop Guild from Shrewsbury paid a visit to Whitchurch. The arrangements had been made by Mr. E. R Trevor Corbett, of Dorrington, Shrewsbury, and, on reaching the church, the visitors were met by the local ringers, who gave them a hearty welcome, and had the bells ready for a peal of Stedman Triples. This was successfully accomplished, and afterwards the visitors, with the local ringers, were entertained to a capital tea by the Rector (Rev. Dugdale). This was very much enjoyed by all, and subsequently a vote of thanks was passed to the Rector for his kindness, both in providing the tea and for the use of the bells. There being two hours to wait for the return train, a most enjoyable time was spent with the local ringers, during which touches on the handbells were rung.

## KENT ASSOCIATION.

## THE PROPOSED JOINT MEETING WITH SUSSEX.

The quarterly meeting of the Ashford Division, held at Mersham, on Saturday, was in ali respects a very encouraging and gratifying ussembly. 'The attendance numbered just over thirty, and the towers represented, in addition to the local one, were: Ashford, Biddenden, Brabourne, Charing, Folkestone, Headoorn, Maidstone, New Romney, Rolvenden, Rye, Sellindge, Stone-in-Oxney, Tenterden, and Woodchurch. Good striking was prevalent, and touches of Grandsire Triples, Bob Major and Stedman Triples were tapped off as if by "clockwork." Several young hands were present, and, in order to give them assistance, severa! 120 s of Grandsire Doubles were rung, and were creditably gone through.
A servica, conducted by the Rector, the Rev. Canon Dyke (an hon. member of the association), was held, the association's special form being used. Mrs. Wicks kindly presided at the organ, and the choir boys were present, the hymns "We love the place, $O$ God" and
Fight the good fight" being sung.
Subsequently the company adjourned to the Farriers Arms Inn, where a splendid meat tea, kindly provided by the Rector, was thoroughly enjoyed. The business mecting followed, Mr. G. Paine, of Mersham, presiding
The Honorary Secretary (Mr. C. Tribe) said the next meeting to take place was the proposed combined assembly at Rye of their division and the Eastern Division of the Sussex Association, and, at his request, Mr. Billenness stated what he thought the feelings of the Sussex men were on the subject. As far as the Rye ringers were concerned, he said, they were quite agreeable to the proposal. He had had the opportunity of attending meetings of the Sussex Association, and the conclusion he had arrived at was that the Sussex members generally were also quite willing to fall into line. On former occasions the Vicar of Rye had kindly entertained the members at association gatherings, and he had no doubt the rev. gentleman would again extend his hospitality if the meeting were beld. He did not sce, however, that it could be held until June, because the annual meeting of the Sussex Association came in May. The Sussex Committee arranged the list of meetings for the year, and it would be well to advise the secretary of the month for the meeting, so that it could be placed before the committee for their consideration.
Mr. P. H. Pierce asked if there would be more than the Rye tower available, and Mr. Billenness replied that there would be no difficulty in securing Iden, a six-bell tower, $2 \frac{1}{2}$ miles from Rye.
On the proposition of Mr. Finn, seconded by Mr. T. Hodgkin, it was resolved that the honorary secretary should take up the matter with the Sussex Association officials with a view to arranging the meeting. M1. C. W. Player thought it would be advisable to have a meeting prior to the Rye assembly, and Pluckley was put forward.-As an amendment Woodchurch was submitted, and was carried.

The Chairman apologised for the absence of the Rector, who had been indisposed recently. He also mentioned that Mr. C. Bates, of Mersham (hon. member) was unable to attend, but he was pleased that Mr. R. L. Wicks, of Mersham, another hon. member, had faroured them with his presence. On behalf of the Mersham band he cordially welcomed the association members.

Mr. C. Tribe proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to Canon Dyke for his hospitality, permission to ring, and for arranging the service. They were also grateful to the organist and the choir boys. The mecting was to have been at Wye, but the bells were unarailable, as they did not go rery nicely. He hoped everybody would make an offort to attend the meeting at Rye.
This concluded the business, and the bells were subsequently kept going till past nine oclock.
Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich, who is rehanging Warehorne and Sandhurst bells, was present, and the company were glad of the services f Mr. P. H. Pierce, who conducted the Stedman.
During the day the company visited the premises of Mr. Finn, who has been connected with bell hanging. He has made a miniature bell cage, and in it is hung a peal of ten little bells, in exactly the same manner as church bells are hung. The clappers, the wheels, the stocks, and other details were noticeable, but Mr. Finn has several bdditions to fix. He hopes eventually to have the whole thing complete. The ringers complimented him, for it undoubtedly requires a man of great ahilities and patience to carry out such an undertaking. Hearty congratulations to Mr. Finn.

## CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

The members of the Canterbury District held a very successful meeting at the pretty village of Wickhambreaux on Saturday, Boughton, Canterbury, Chishet, Deal, Dover. Hernhill and Lyminge being represented. The bells go remarkably well, a fact which reflects great credit upon the ringers for their careful attention to them. Touches of Grandsire. Stedman, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Oxford Bob, with Violet by the local company were successfully rung. Service in the very pretty Parish Church was followed by tea in the Village Club Room, provided and presided over by the genial Rector (Rev. G. Hyde Smith), who gave the members a very hearty welcome, and expressed the hope that they were enjoying themselves. The applause which followed was a sufficient reply in the affirmative, but the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore formally thanked the Rector for his great kindness on this and on other occasions.

The new Rector of Adisham attended to oblain information respecting the association and to become an honorary member. Mr. Smith, late of Tring, who has come to Sandwich, was heartily welcomed and duly elected a member. Three probationers were also accepted.The Rector inquired about the Benevolent Fund, and, after a few remarks from the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, at once gave a donation towards it. This is believed to be the first of its kind.-Mr. H. Castle then proposed, and Mr. E. Verricr seconded, a very hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for presiding.-A course of Grandsire Triples on the handbells, followed by a 224 in the same method, conducted by Mr. C. Turner, brought a very enjoyable meeting to a close.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Central Division was held at Crawley on Saturday, and was a great success, 55 members being present from all parts of the county. The members were welcomed at the tower by the local band, amongst whom was to be seen the veteran, Mr. J. Newman, trotting round in high spirits and shaking hands with many an old friend. The bells were set going in various methods, and afterwards a short service was beld in church, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. H. L. Barrett-Lennard). A capital knife and fork tea was next partaken of at Mr. Leggett's, Narth Gate, and was followed by the business meeting, the Rector presiding.-The Rev. Reginald James Lea, Vicar of Henfield, was elected an hon. nember; the Rev. E. Cresswell Gee, Twineham, hon. active member; and nineteen active members belonging to various towers in the division were also elected.A vote of thanks was then passed to the Rector, with loud applause, for his great kindness in granting the tower for the meeting, and his generosity in providing such an.excellent tea.-In reply, the Rector said what great pleasure it gave him to welcome the association to Crawley, and hoped they would come again in the near future. The tower was again visited, touches in various methods being brought round, thus concluding a mecting which must be nearly, if not quite, a record for this division.

## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A meeting of the Guildford District of the Winchester Diocesan Guild of Change Ringers was held at Cranleigh on Saturday, February 22nd. Owing to a funeral in the village the bells were not rung for the service at five o'clock, when the Rector (the Rer. P. Cunningham) gave a practical address. At the tea, which was subsequently held at the Schoolroom, the Rector presided. Tea was followed by a business meeting, at which the secretary (Mr. J. J. Jones) read the iteme of the balance sheet, which had been audited. The income for the past year amounted to $£ 3017 \mathrm{~s}$. 6 d ., and, after defraying all the expenses, including teas and part travellin:g expenses to Wincisester, and instruction at Aldershot, a balance of $£ 11 \mathrm{l} 16 \mathrm{~s}$. 7d. remained. The balance had been forwarded to the general secretary, and bad been acknowledged with the best thanks. The balance is the largest of the seren districts which are included in the Winchester Diocese.
Several new members were elected, including two ladies. - Mr. A. H. Pulling, the ringing master, reported that a satisfactory number of peals had been rung during the past quarter-It was decided that the next combined practice should be held at Witley in April, and also a district meeting at Binstead in the same month.
Mr. R. Whittington, of Ewhurst, brought forward the question of the Long Stanton (Cambridge) bells, and said that, after much trouble, the Vicar and the ringers had been able to increase their old peal of three to one of eight, and had made considerable progress in change ringing. Unfortunate? their old tenor bell cracked, and they were compelled to have it recast. He proposed that someone should go round with the hat.-The Rector stated that it was generally agreed that the clergy made th? best beggars, and. †aking up his college cap, went round the room himself.- $\Lambda$ sum of 10 s . was collected by the appeal.

The remainder of the evening was spent in change ringing in the tower various methods being rung successfully. Members present came from Guildford, Clandon, Woking, Godalming, Dunsfold, Cran. leigh, Shalford, Ewhurst, etc.

## LONG STANTON'S MISFORTUNE.

The Rev. H. B. Woolley. Vicar of Long Stanton, states, in answer to inquiry, that the Long Stanton tenor had bsen quarter turned, and since she has beeu hung for ringing she was never clocked. The cracking was a pure accident, caused apparently by the natural vibration of the bell, acting upon a weak place in the sound bow where the clapper used to strike, and where the metal was slightly honeycombed
The Vicar and churchwardens acknowledge with many thanks the following contributions towards the cost of recasting the tenor:-H. B. W., £1 1s.: C. A. P., £1 1s.; G. F. C., 10s.; S. A. C., 10s.; T. Fitz J., 2s. 6d.; H. K.. 1s.; A. P. W.. 1s.; the Cambridge University Guild (resident members), $£ 1$ 16s. 6d.: the Cranleigh band, $1 \mathrm{~s} .:$ W. W., Is.: total receired to date, $£ 18 \mathrm{ss}$; amount recuired, £35 Donations will be thankfully receired by the Vicar, Mr. W. Doggett or Mr. H. Croot, Long Stanton.

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## A THRIVING YOUNG SOCIETY.



The photograph abjve is of the Biggleswade Society, which, although formed only on November 14th last, is making excellent progress in change ringing. The company was established after the old peal of five bells had been recast and augmented to eight, and all the men are chowing the greatest enthusiasm. They are among the latest recruits to the Bedfordshire Association.
It is interesting to note that the frame which contains
the rules is made from a portion of old oak beams on which the ancient peal used to hang. The ringers in the photograph are: Back row, R. M. Spong, L. C. Franklin, R. Olney, Mr. H. Franklin (churchwarden), Rev. R. S. Bagshaw (vicar and president), F. Thompson, H. B. Smith and C. A. Pratt. Bottom row, M. G. Walker, A. Franklin, E. Hussey (vice-captain), F. Blood (captain), H. Rowlett (hon. secretary), and E. Stratton.

## ODD CHANGES.

Another noteworthy performance was accomplished by the College Youths on Saturday, when they rang a nonconducted peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Michael's, Cornhill, and the band are to be congratulated upon the unique achievement. A similar effort at Bow about three months ago was lost. This peal at Cornhill is the first nonconducted on twelve tower bells.

The peal of eight (tenor 12 cwt .) installed at Oatlands, Surrey, by Messrs. J. Warner and Sons, of the Spitalfields Foundry, are to be dedicated on Sunday afternoon, and all ringers will be welcome. The tower is an open one, and in order to counteract the noise and not interfere with the architectural features, glass screens, we understand, are to be used instead of louvres. This will be quite an experiment, and it will be interesting to see how it answers.

Many happy returns of the day to Mr. William Banister, who, although without an actual "birthday" this year (he was born on February 29th), is 89 to-day. We are delighted to be able to say that he is enjoying excellent health for one so advanced in years.

Even in "the good old days" apparently bell-ringers were the object of invective and and satire. The following lines appeared in the "Staffordshire Advertiser" exactly one hundred years ago:-
"To the Churchwardens of the parish of O ye rascally ringers, and merciless foes, And disturbers of all who delight in repose; How I wish for the quiet and peace of the land,
That you had round your necks what you hold in your hand!"
Stafford, February 7th, 18I3.
In a glass case in the Church of St. Sepulchre, Holborn, is the bell which was rung outside the condemned cell at Newgate by the bellman of St. Sepulchre's at midnight on the eve of an execution. He then recited the following verses (which are on the brass tablet) :-

> All you that in the concemned hole do lie
> Prepare you, for to-mororow Jou shall die.
> Watch ali, and pray, the hour is drawing near
> That you before the Almighty must appear.
> Fsamine well yourselves, in itine repent
> That you may not to eternal flames be sent,
> And when St, Sepllchre bell in the morning tolls The Lord above have mercy on your souls.

The custom originated in a gift or bequest of $£ 50$ made by Mr. Robert Dowe in 1605 .

Hands up for a tailors' peal! Those members of the trade who would care to take part in one should communi. cate with Mr. C. H. Bernard, 2, St. Austin's Lane, Harwich.

The ringers of St. Luke's, Heywood, are making an appeal for help for an old ringer, Mr. John Harrison, who has been seriously ill for some time Any contributions will be thankfully received and acknowledged by Mr. J. Tattersfield, 8 , Langton Street, Heywood, near Manchester

The following paragraph, which appeared in the "Norfolk Chronicle," of January 3oth, 1813 , will be interesting, as it records some ringing at Norwich a century ago uy that old master, Mr. Samuel Thurston :-

On Sunday morning last, that musical peal of six bells belonging to St. Johns, Maddermarket, rang a Funeral Peal of Seven Hundred and Twenty, called the Revolution Peal (as a mark of respect at the interment of Mr. Dunn, many years Clerk to that parish), in a very masterly style, under the direction of Samuel Thurston, by ringers which justly may be termed Odds and Ends, as none of the St. Peter's ringers had any hand in it, and it may be fairly presumed from the steady perseverance of Mr. Thurston in this art, and his already acute knowledge, he is likely to become one of the first ringers this or any country ever produced.

## A SIX=BELL CONTEST.

## halifax association's competition.

The Halifax and District Society held their quarterly meeting and contest on Saturday, February 15 th , when 10 companies competed, each set ringing 600 changes. The draw for the order of ringing took place at $2.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., and the ringing was then immediately proceeded with and continued until 8.30 p.m. The judges of the competition were Messrs. Broadley and J. W. Cundall, of Bradford. Tea was provided by the focal branch during the afternoon, to which about 100 vieitors sat down
At the close of the ringing the business meeting was held in the Schoolroom, with the president, Mr. Cotterill, of Halifax, in the chair, supported by the Vicar (the Rev. T. Metcalfe) and the society's officers.
No invitation being brought forward for the place of the next meeting, it was decided to leave the matter in the hands of the secretary. A vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells and schools was unanimously carried, on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Dransfield.-The Vicar, in reply, said his experience of ringers was that they were a fine lot of fellows, and he liked them very much indeed. Thers was a story that in the olden days a certain amount of gold and silver was mixed with the metal to improve the tone, but he thought if this dross had been given to the ringers instead it would have been much better (laughter). The ringers, he added, did a very great service for the church, and he hoped that their ringing would turn listeners toward the church for worship.
A vote of thanks to the local company and to the ladies was proposed by Mr. Drake, and seconded by Mr. Smith.

THE RESULT.
The result of the contest was then announced by Mr. Broadley as follows, in the order of competing: Lindley, 177 faults; Brighouse, 205; Earlsheaton, No. 1, rung out; Halifax, 306 faults; Earlsheaton No. 2, rung out; Kirkheaton, 194 faults; Lightcliffe Parish, 202; Batley, 116; Heptonstall, 165; Lightcliffe Congregational, rung out. Batley were, therefore, declared the wimmers.
The cup was then presented to the conductor of the wimning team by the Vicar.
A vote of thanks was passed to the judges, and responded wo by Mr. Broadley, who said the ringing that day had been a long way above the average, and, although it had been a long job, it had been a pleasure to listen to the ringing. -This brought a very successful and enjoyable meeting to a close.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES' PEALS.

## To the Editor

Dear Sir,-The peal of Grandsire Doubles rung at Church Broughton Derbyshire, on Decamber 7th, 1912, will not be booked by the M.C.A. as our rule as to the election of members has not been complied with see " Ringing World,' December 13th, 1912. The peal of Grandsire Triples at Kibworth, December 26th, 1912, we are booking, as it was sent up to you in error as the Kibworth Aseociation instead of Midland Counties, see "Ringing World," January 10th, 1913 . Will you kind'ly draw attention to the above in your next issue.- Yours truly.
W. E. WHITE

Honorary Secretary, M.C.A.

## EIGHT BELLS FOR SUNDERLAND.

 DEDICATION SERVICE.On Sunday a processional cross, and the two new treble bells added to complete the ring of eight, were dedicated at the church of St. Ignatius the Martyr, Sunderland. The original ring of five bells was the gift of the late Mr. D. H. Haggie and family, in memory of their parents, and they were dedicated on Easter Day, 1893. In the following year the number was increased to six by the addition of a treble bell. This was the gift of the Rev. Edgar Boddington as a thankoffering for God's mercies to him during his vicariate, 1889 to 1899, and it was dedicated on July 2nd.

The two bells now added are the gift of Mr. Stanley M. Ritson, and are in memory of his mother, Mrs. M. A. Ritson, who entered into rest on St. Mathias' Day, February 24 th, 1912.
The processional cross is of bronze, with five silver panels. In the centre is "the Lamb,' designed on blne enamel, and in the four arms the symbols of the four evangelists. The whole is richly chased, and the bosses of the base are set with amethysts. This cross is the gift of Mrs. F. M. Sykee, wife of the Vicar, and is also a memory of of Mrs. F. M. Sykes, wife of the late Mrs. M. A. Ritson, her mother.
The dedicatory service was performed by the Vicar, the Rev. Edward Sykes, the trebles being sounded separately, and the eiglit rung in rounds. An appropriate sermon was preached by the first Vicar of the parich, the Rev. Edgar Boddington, whose presence was much appreciated, especially by the remaining original members of the Ringers' Guild. During the day the ringing was done by the members of the looal Guild, and included $50 \%$ Stedman Triples after morning service, and also for evening service.
The whole of the bells are the work of Messrs. John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, and they hava made a perfect splice, the ringers' verdict being that the ring is a credit to the Loughborough firm. It is intended to have a gathering of the members of the Durhan and Newcastle Diocesan Association on Easter Monday to celebrate the completion of the ring.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

Under the able leadership of Mr. T. T. Gofton, vice-president of the association, a very enjoyable northern district practice was held on Saturday at Whitley Bay. From the outset it was apparent that the Whitley band were determined to make the opportunity one of usefur practice for the visitors, who left, after a strenuous evening of Kent, Plain Bob Major and Stedman Triples, well pleased with the new bells. Wany were safely piloted through their first touches by Messrs. Gofton Brothers.
On Saturday, March 8th, at 6 p.m., the next practice will take place -the last before Easter, and by kind permission of the Mayor of the historic town of Morpeth, the use of the peal of eight in the ancient Watch Tower has been granted for the practice. The Watch Tower, one of the few places where the Curfew is still rung, is hardly less interesting than the town itself, though visitors to the tower miss the ralics of bull-baiting days, which now have a place in the museum. Between the Watch Tower, standing in the Market Place and the River Wansbeck, is the house once occupied by Lord Collingwood, who, on Lord Nelson's death at Trafalgar, assumed command of the British Fleet.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The first annual meeting of the Luton district was held at Luton on Saturday, and was a most successful one, the ringing being of first class order. Members were present from Dunstable, Leighton Buzzard, Woburn, Husborne Crawley, Hitchin, Harpenden and the local tower. The bells were kept busy during the afternoon and evening in the following methods: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major.
The business meeting was held in the evening. Mr. E. Herbert, of Woburn, occupying the chair, in the absence of the president (Rev. W. W. C. Baker).-The Honorary Secretary gave a brief retrospect of the meetings held in the district since the division of the association, and it was the unanimous opinion of the members present that the monthly meetings were a decided success and helped greatly to promote the art.
The following oflicers were elected for the year: President, Rev. W. W. C. Baker, Dunstable; honorary secretary, Mr. A. King, Luton; committee, Messrs. C. Herbert, Woburn; M. Lane, Aspley Guise: H. Smith, Husborne Crawley; J. Nicholls, Leighton Buzzard; G. Healey, Dunstable. - It was resolved to hold the next meeting at Woburn during April.-A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the chairman for presiding, and to the Vicar of Luton for the use of the bells.

## THE OXFORD GUILD

A combined practice of the Sonning branch was held at St. Paul's, Wokingham, on Saturday last, when 13 nembers were present, representing Binfield, Wokingham (Al1 Saints), Easthampstead, IIurst, Wargrave and Sandhurst. The Master of the Guild was also present. The following methods were practiscd: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Oxford Treble, Bob Minor and Grandsire Doubles. It is of interest to note that it was the first time that two of the members had rung on cight bells, and the first time that one had rung away from his own tower.

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To the Editor.
Dear Sir,--Mr. Newton made a few statements which are as untrue as his peal, first as to the jealous motive, which I had no idea existed between us; secondly, as to the distance from my garden (where I accidentally heard the blunder), which is about $1 \frac{1}{2}$ miles as the crow flies. As I had not the honour of being Instructor until about six months aftea Mr. Nevton started with the band, and I did not expect nor desire to instruct the young men, I think he las been misinformed about unsolicited help. His other remarks do not trouble me so much, as anyone can see through them. - Yours faithfully, School Lane, Bidston.
W. WILCOX.

Sir,-Having read the correspondence with regard to the peal of Bob Minor rung at Wallasey on Boxing Day and being a ringer in the peal I should like to say that to my idea it was not a true one. I think the same applies to the one previous as I am sure the last one, by all accounts, was superior to the first. With an experienced man like Mr. Newton as couductor in looth peals, knowing the coursing of the bells, it would be an easy matter to make one or two very bad mistakes and still continue with the peal ("Hip" them at times). I see no reason, however, why Mr. Newton should ridicule Mr. Wilcox in such a manner when he simply asks a reply about the peal. I know Mr. Wilcor does not despise the lads in any way but, on the other hand, he gives them great credit for their performanve in so short a time. What does Mr. Newton mean by teaching gratis? Does he do so I wonder? In any case I know Mr. Wilcox has done it; I should say before Mr. Newton ever rang a peal. In fact I was one of the last band he taught. In my short stay with him he put me through seven different methods, of course "wheel-barrow fashion " as Mr. Newton terms it. It would take a very large barrow to hold the "lumps" that fall in some of Mr. Newton's peals. I must give Mr. Newton great credit for the great attention he has pand to the lads, if I must call them so. I don't think for one minute there is auy jealousy on the part of Mr. Wiloox, as he is always ready to give a helping hand. 3, Russell Road, Wallasey.

## DEATH OF MR. T. PATTISON, GAINSBOROUGH.

It is with regret that we record the death of Mr. Thomas Pattison, of Gainsborough, the sad event taking place on Friday, February 14th, at the advanced age of 83 years. He was for upwards of 50 years a mem. ber of the Gainsborough Parish Church company, and, being of a cheerful and genial disposition, was greatly respected by all who knew him. He only took part in one peal (Holt's Ten-Part, rung on March 23 rd, 1887), which was the first by all the band, and also by the North Lincolnshire Association, which was in existence previous to the formation of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild.

The interment took place at the General Cemetery, and in the evening, at the Parish Church, as a tribute of respect to an old comrade, the bells were rung half muffled, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1260 changes) being brought round in 47 minutes by C. H. Baker 1 , J. C. Tinker 2, F. S. W. Butier 3, W. Dickenson 4, J. T. Ladd (conductor) 5, H. Torr 6, G. Wilson 7, A. H. Curtis 8. It was also rung as a token of sympathy with the relatives and friends of those who lost their lives in the Antarctic disaster.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday last the Manchester branch held their usual monthly meeting at Whitefield. It is many years since a meeting was held at All Saints, but the bells have now been recast and placed in a new steel frame by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, and the tone and "go" are a credit to the founders.
The Rector (Rev. A. Kershaw, M.A.) presided at the meeting. He gave a hearty welcome to the ringers as co-workers in the church's interest and for the glory of God; and to the association as an organisation, where the bond of interest was created. He spoke of the sacrifice which was not always appreciated as it should be by the many listeners to whom the sound of the bells appealed, and he urged upon the ringers not to think that ringing was the end, but the beginning of divine worship. He, therefore, hoped that they would attend God's House whenever possible.
The Rector was proposed and accepted with acclamation as an honorary life member.- Eccles was chosen as the next meeting place, and a vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector for the use of the bells, and to the local ringers for having things in readiness.
Members were present from Manchester, Ashton-under-Lyne, Pendle ton, Walkden, Worsley, Heln shore, Newchurch, Reddish, Birch, Prestwich, Miles Platting, etc., and the bells kept going in Plain Bob, Grandsire, Double Norwich and Superlative. Mr. Cyril Johnston, of the Croydon Foundry firm, took part in the ringing.

## A FALSE PEAL.

Mr. J. H. Barrett writes: The peal of Stedman Caters rung at Stepney on February 1st, I am sorry to say, is false, through my meglect, and I humbly apologise to the band who took part in it.

## ROUND THE FESTIVE BOARD. ILANBRADACH.

The ringers $a t$ Llanbradach were entertained by the churchwardens (Messrs, J. Barry and T. Lane), and spent a most enjoyable evening. -The Vicar presided, and submitted the toast of "The Churchwardens," which was received with enthusiasm.-In responding, the Chuchwardens expressed their pleasure at having such a company of young men, who, in the face of many obstacles and difficulties, had stuck to their posts and had regularly rang for the services. - The Vicar proposed "The Bell Ringers." He was pleased, he said, to have suck at sturdy and faithful company belonging to his church, and to show his pleasure, intended to ask them to allow him to become a ringer. He hoped next time they met their numbers would be doubled.-Mr. W. Maybeir and Mr. Frank Stevens reeponded, and thanked the churchwardens for their hospitality. They were pleased to think their services were so mucla appreciated, and lhey would continue to do their best. They reported on the progress that had been made during the year.

## ACTON.

An interesting story of the bells of Acton was provided by the churchwarden (Mr. W. A. Brown) in a letter from him read at the annual dinner of the St. Mary's Guild. The party, 21 in number assembled in the Parish Room at the kind invitation of the Rector (the Rev. G. S. de Sausmarez), who presided. In his letter Mr. Brown said: "The Acton bellringers play a part-and a very important partin the religious life of Acton, and the history of the Parish Church of St. Marys itself. History does not tell us the date of the first bells of the church, but it is recorded that one of the old bells which wa broken up in 1877, to form a new peal, bore the date 1583 (Queen Elizabeth's time), and might lrave rung out as a danger signal at the time of the great Armada, and that bell, with two others dated 1637, formed a peal of three befls, which rang out in 1640 , when the present communion plate, given by Lady Dudley, was brought to the church. The two latter bells form part of the peal of eight bells, now in use in the church. . . . The old bells remind us of our duty to God and to man, and that on Sundays and other days the old church is waiting for us to return thanks for the blessings we havo received, and to receive our prayers for blessings to follow. The Acton bellringers themselves, have rung out from generation to generation, Faithful unto death,' and, as the poet says: 'Men may come, and men may go, but we ring on for ever.' Acton is fortunate in havin such a fine body of earnest workers, and I am sure their services ar duly appreciated."
After dinner an enjoyable programme was carried out. Tunes on handbells were skilfully rung by Messrs. J. R. Mackman and W, Phillips, and a course of Grandsire Triples was rung by Messrs. E. J Ridler, C. H. Dobbie, J. R. Mackman and H. W. Cotton. Other con. tributors to the evening's enjoyment were Messrs. R. Hollomar, Curryer, Briggs, A. W. Mackenzie, J. R. Sims, eto.

## RANMOOR, SHEFFIELD.

The 15th annual dinner and social in connection with the St. John's Society took place at the Ranmoor Inn, Sheffield, some 25 ringers and friends sitting down to an excellent repast, served in Host Hutton's usual thorough style. After dinner an adjournment was made to the smoke room, where, after duly honouring the loyal toast, a capital programme was enjoyed, the items, consisting of songs, recitations and tunes on the handbelle, being received with much applause and encores demanded in quick succession. Whether it was the jovial spirit of " mine host" or the excellent playing of the bells, or the capital singing and playing of Messrs. Clarke Brothers, who both did duty at the piano, it would be hard to say, but somehow or other the company seemed to be in for a right good time when the hour of closing arrived, greatly to the regret of all concerned, "Auld Lang Syne having to be gone through during prohibited hours. Thus ended another of those pleasant gatherings which are, alas, mounting up, the years slipping away with such swiftness that one would like to put a few steel filings on the bearings of old Father Time's chariot.

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## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

TFNBY, S. WALES.-On Sunday, Jan. 26th, a quarter-peal of Grandstre Iriples, in 43 mins.: T. Johns 1, R. Jenkins 2, J. Evans 3, A. Richards 4, L. Jenkins 5, A. Rees 6, A. W. Brighton (of London), conductor, 7, J. Williams 8.
WITNEY, OXON.-Oxford Diocesan Guild.-On Sunday, Jan. 19th, at St. Mary's Church, 420 Grandsire Triples: II. E. Long 1, C. R. Walker 2 E. Brown 3, A. E. Brooks 4, T. Bull 5, J. Monk (conductor) 6, J. Brooks 7, G. Broóks 8.
LARL SOHAM, SUFFOLK.-On Jan. 8th, 720 London Singles: E. Tenkius (first 720) 1, W. G. Crickmer (conductor) 2, B. Buckle 3, H. Tenkilus first Burber 5, W. Burgess 6.-On Jan. 15th, 720 Oxford Bob: Ti Jenkins 1, W. Saban (first 720 Oxford) 2, B. Buckle 3, W. G. Crickmer (conductor) 4, H. Iall 5, G. Balls 6.-On Jan. 22nd, 720 Plain Bob: C. Ellis 1, E. Jenkins (first 720 inside) 2, W. Saban 3, W. G. Crickmer (onductor) 4, II. Hall 5, G. Balls 6.
NORWICH.-St. Peter Mancroft Guild.-On Sunday, Jan. 26th, for morning service, 720 Bob Royal: G. Day 1, E. Lubbuck 2, F. H. Phillips 3, A. Potter 4, J. Freeman 5, G. P. Burton 6, H. J. Borrett 7, C. W. Bullen 8, J. E. Burton (conductor) 9 , G. S. Mayers 10.-In the evening, 592 Bob Major, on the back eight: A. Potter 1, J. Freeman 2, E. Lubbuck 3, G. V. Burton 4, H. J. Borrett 5, F. H. Phillips (conductor) 6. J. E. Burton 7, C. W. Bullen 8.

FAREIIAM, ILANTS.-At the Parish Church, on Jan. 26th, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins. : H. Pink 1, F. L. Tull 2, F. J. Newland 3, G. Bull 4, 1 ,

KENSINGTON.-At St. Mary Abbot's Church, on Sunday, January 19th, 1263 Stedman Caters: E. J. Ridler 1, W. E. Garrard 2, W. G. Matthews 3, A. B. Bennett 4, P. Miles 5, A. E. Bradley 6, W. J. Daubney 7, C. Charge (conductor) 8, H. G. Miles 9, W. A. Garrard 10.

DARLEY DALE-On Jan. 22nd, at St. Helen's Church, a date touch of 1913 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr .8 mins. : T. White 1, F. Travis 2, H. Gregory 3 , E. Blackwall 4, J. W. Derbyshire 5, A. C. Wright (conductor) 6, W. Taylor 7, II. W. Gregory 8.

ACION. - At St. Mary's Church, on Jan. 29th, a half-peal (2520 changes) Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr .38 mins.: A. E. Smith 1, W. Phillips 2, E. J. Ridler 3, H. W. Cotton 4, R. Holloway 5, J. W. Fruin 6, J. K. Mackman (conductor) 7, W. E. Holloway 8. Longest length by
all except ringers of 3rd, 4th and 7th. FINCHLEY, MIDDLESEX.-On Sunday, Feb. 2nd, 720 of Oxford Bob: G. Webb 1, W. H. Tubb 2, F. Tubb 3, E. Iubb 4, B. Tubb 5, F. Barker (conductor) 6 .

ALTON, HANTS.-Winchester Diocesan Guild. - On Wednesday, Feb. 5th, at St. Lawrence's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1260 changes): W. Chapman 1, E. E. Hamı 2, H. Evans 3, R. Applegath 4. W. Perry 5, V. Lowton 6, A. Hardiman (conductor) 7, F. Noakes 8. This is the first quarter-peal of Stedman Triples rung by an entirely local band at the above church.
ILEAFL IIEMPSTEAD.-At St. Mary's Church, on Feb. 6th, 518 Grandsire Triples: J. Floyd, junr., 1; H. Golding (conductor) 2, F. Walker (irst 500 with a bob bell) 3,' A.' Searle 4, J. Floyd 5, W. Shepherd $b, W$. H. Newell 7, W. Charge 8. Also 602 Oxford Bob Triples: J. Nloyd 1. H. Golding (conductor) 2, A. Searle 3, W. Floyd 4, J. Floyd, schr., 5, W. Shepherd 6, W. H. Newell 7, W. Charge 8. Rung in honour of Capt. Halsey, commander of H.M.S. New Zealand, who was sailing on an Empire voyage that day.
LEINTON.-On Feb. 4th, 504 Stedman Triples: E. H. Bailey 1, A. F. Bailer 2, J. M. Bailey 3, E. S. Bailey 4, F. W. Bailey 5, C. Sampson 6, C. F. Bailey (canductor) 7, J. W. Mallett 8. Also 224 Double Norwich. J. IV. Nallett belongs to Earl Soliam.

YAXLEY.-Peterborough and District Association.-At St. Peter's Church, on Feb. 6th, an attempt for a peal of Minor was lost in the fourth 720 , owing to a bob being missed by the conductor: J. Jutson 1, W. Waldron 2, F. Tilley 3, O. Richardson 4, T. Vaughan 5, G. Jutson (conductor) 6. The party afterwards adjourned for tea, and touches of Kent on tho handbells were rung, after which the tower was again risited, and a good 360 rung, the Vicar (the Rev. E. H. Brown) taking a rope.
STOKE COVENTRY.-On Sunday, Feb. 2nd, at the Parish Church, a quarter-poal of Stedman Triples, in 43 mins. : A. Roberts $1,{ }^{* W}$. Pryce 2. W. H. Brungion (conductor) 3, G. H. White 4, W. T. Cox 5, *W. Maund 6, F. E. Dervin 7, C. Freeman 8. *irst quarter-peal in the method.
HIGH WYCOMBE.-Oxford Diocesan Guild.-On Sunday, Feb. 2nd, tho longest touch yet rung on twelve by the local company, viz., 910 Stedman Cinques: A. F. Ashman 1, R. Coles 2, G. F. Williams 3 , $G$. Twitcluen 4. S. T. Goodchild 5, F. K. Biggs 6, E. Markham 7, F. Hayes
(conductor) 8. J. Gransbury 9, W. Phipps 10, B. Page 11, A. J. Hoing 12.

GREAT WOLFORD, WARWICKSHIRE.--On Now. 27th. 720 Bob Minor: I. Pard'ngton (Longborough) 1, J. H. Keyto (Blockley) 2, F. Davis (Stow) 3, T. Pardon (Longborough) 4, F. Bird (Shipston) 5, W. Large, conductor (Fodenliam) 6. This is belioved to be the first 720 of Plain Bols on tho bells.

WEST LYDFOIDD, SOMERSET.-On Sunday, February 2nd, for evening service, 720 Grandsire Doubles: U. S. Weichman 1, G. Meek 2, A. Cullen 3, A. Whitehead 4, W. Tudgay (conductor) 5, E. Starks 6 . This was the first attempt for 720 by members of the above tower, where the bells were recently rehung and a treble added to make six. Fourteen months ago neither of the above band knew anything of change ringing, and have since then been trained by Mr. E. F. Creed, of Castle Oary.
SWINDON, WIITS -On Nov. 26th, at Christ Church, 504 Stedman Triples: A. Lawrence 1, R. W. Hyner 2, J. H. Oajey 3, D. Jackson (first in the method) 4, G. Lancaster 5, W. G. Lancaster (first in the method) 6, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 7, A. W. Harrington 8. Also 448 Superlative Surprise Major: J. H. Odey 1, R. W. Hyner 2, F. Looker 3, W. G. Lancaster 4, G. W. Townsend 5, H. W. L. Wells 6, G. Lancaster 7, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 8.

HOLLOWAY.-Un Dec. 1st, 1260 Stedman Triples: H. Ranzetta 1, C. H. Hughes 2, A. D. Barker (conductor) 3, A. Hart 4, J. Cornford 5, G. Charge 6, R. W. Green 7, A. Turner 8.
BARIROW-ON-HUMBER-At Holy Trinity Church, on Dec. 2nd, 720 Plain Bob Minor, in 27 mins.: T. Oglesby 1, J. Barrick 2, Geo. Thompson, junr., 3, J. W. Crowder (conductor) 4, H. Batson 5, H. E. Dannatt 6. First 720 on tine bells since they were rehung by Messrs. Mallaby and Son, and first 720 by ringers of 1 and 3 .

ARKLOW, IRELAND.-At St. Saviour's Protesant Church, the occasion of the marriage of Mr. A. O. Hood, kinsman of Lord Hood, to Miss Margery Digby, niece of Lord Lansdown, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 45 mins., 7, 6, 8 covering: C. Bennett 1, E. Keene 2, J. Tyrrell 3, A. Hadley (oonductor) 4, S. Forde 5, C. Evans 6, R. Prestage 7, W. Bailey 8. Also nine six-scores of Grandsire Doubles: H. Hoyle 4, A. Hadley (conductor) 5, A. McGowan 6, the rest standing as before. The aivove and also the quarter-peal was rung on Tuesday November 26 th

WOLVERHAMPTON.-On Dec. 1st, after evensong, at the Collegiate Church of St. Peter, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1259 changes), in 52 mins.: H. Mitchell 1. *T. O'Connor 2, *F. Darrell 3, A. Little 4, H. Farlow 5, H. Jones 6, W. H. Lawley 7, B. Clark 8, H. Knight (conductor) $9, \mathrm{E}$ Mitchell 10. Composed by J. E. Groves. Rung on Queen Alexandra's birthday. *irst quarter-peal in the method with a working bell.

UPPER CLAPTON, MIDDLESEX.-On Dec. 8th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Granlsire Triples, in 42 mins.: $\boldsymbol{R}$. E. Pellatit 1, C. Gray (first quarter-peal) 2. H. J. Sudell 3, H. J. King 4, A. J. Harding 5, B. Horton 6, W. J. Kemp (conductor) 7, S. S. Drinwell 8.
ISELAM.-On Dec. 8th, for evening service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob: G. Blaxley 1. W. Levis 2, F. Talbutt 3. A. Four 4, WV. Wilson 5, F Andrews (first 720 in the method as conductor) 6.

KENNINGTON.-Ancient Society of College Youths (Guild of St. John-the-Divine, Kennington).-On Sunday, Dec. 8th, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, from Holt's Original, in 41 mins.: H. D. Opher 1, A. Walton 2, H. J. Walton 3, T. W. Wyatt 4, Alec. Miller 5, Arch. Miller 6, G. W. Wild (oonductor) 7, T. W. Welbourne 8.
LONDON--On Dec. 8th, for evening service, at $S t$. Saviours, Southwark, 1193 Stedman Cinques, in 57 mins.: H. Springall 1, T. H. Taffender (composer and conductor) 2, L. Attwater 3, R. French 4, G. H. Hughes 5, A. D. Barker 6, C. H. Burden 7, R. W. Green 8, F. J. Hard 9 9. T. Langdon (2) 10, H. Langdヶon 11, T. Walker 12.
ROTHERHAM, YORKS. - At St. Stephen's Ghurch, Eastwood, 720 Bob Minor: *R. Brown 1, C. Glenn 2. J. Monks 3, A. Whitworth 4, A. Hague (conductor) 5, J. Cottam 6. First 720. Also 720 Bob Minor by members of the Parish Church company: C. Ryder 1, Miss Winnie Hague 2, L. Brightman 3. W. Froggatt 4. J. Nonks 5, A. Hague (conductor) 6. First 720 by Messrs. Ryder and Brightman, and first in the method by Miss Hague.
SHIPLAKE. OXON.-On Dec. 11th, at the Parish Clurch, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: A. Sheppard 1, C. P. Oliver 2, O. Porter (conductor) 3, A. Histead 4, E. W. Wenman 5. J. Hiscock 6. G. Cleave 7, F. Harris 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to Nellie, the eight years old daughter of the conductor, and to the ringer of the 4th.
SOUTH SHORE, BLAOKPOOL. - On Dec. 2nd, at Holy Trinity Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: R. Hill 1, F. Hill 2, A. Cooper 3, G. Rewcliffe 4, A. Atkinson 5, G. Maries (oonductor) 6. First 720 in the method on inside bells bry all ercept the conductor.
EASTON NESTON.-Torcester and District Association.-On Deo. 1st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: C. H. Slarke (first quarterpeal of Triples) 1, J. W. Unvin 2. C. Faulkner 3, G. W. Beesley 4, F. Hopper 5, G. Basford 6, J. W. Sharp (first-quarter of Triples as conductor) 7, T. Denney 8.

GROYDON.-The Surrey Association.-On Sunday, Feb. 2nd, at St. Peter's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1259 changes), being the first quarter on the bells: H. Brooker, junr., 1, H. Brooker, senr., 2 , A. J. Perkins 3, H. Lover 4, C. Dean 5, A. J. Plowman 6, G. Bush 7, W' S. Smith 8, E. L. Miles (conductor) 9, C. Kitcling 10. First quarter-peal of Caters by three of the band, and the first attempt at calling a quarter of Caters by the conductor. This touch was specially arranged in honour of the wedding of Mr. W. Ives (one of St. Peters band), Which took place on Sunday; it was also the birthday of the ringer of the thind.

## NOTICES.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.--Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at the new church of St. John the Divine, Coppull, on Saturday, March rst. Bells available from 3 o'clock. The outward train service from Preston is inconvenient, but a motor 'bus service runs Jetween Chorley and Coppull every hour from 12 noon. A good attendance is requested.-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-dale.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Stony Stratford on Saturday, March rst next. Service at 3 p.m. -Thomas Best, junr., Secretary, Bletchley.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.--The annual meetang of the Maidstone district will be held at Maidstone on Saturday, March rst, 1913. Bells available at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Short service at 5 p.m. Meat tea at the Maidstone Restaurant, Bank Street, 5.30 p.m. A charge of 3 d . per member will be made for tea. Subscriptions are now due. -G. Moore, District Secretary, 7r, Florence Road, Maidstone.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-The annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at Ye Olde Royal Hotel, Temple Row, Birmingham, on Saturday, March ist, at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The chair will be taken by Sir Arthur Percival Heywood, Bart. Tickets free to fully qualified members whose subscriptions are paid up to date, to other members and friends 25 . 6d, each. The bells of St. Martin's (i2) and St. John's, Deritend (8) will be available from 3 to 5 o'clock.-A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, II, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.
the midland counties association.-Bur-ton-on-Trent District.-A ringing meeting will be held at Newhall on Saturday, March ist. Bells read at 3 o'clock. -Harry Wakley, Local Honorary Secretary.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Feltham on Saturday, March ist. Ringing from $40^{\prime}$ 'clock. Tea at 6, 6d. each. All are welcome.-H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

## FTHE ANCIENT SOCiETY OF COLlege

 YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on March $4 t \mathrm{~h}$ and I8th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 13 th and 27 th ; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 4 th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 18 th ; Southwark Cathedral on the 25 th ; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays; St. Magnus at 7.30 , the others at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.-William T. Cockeıill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.--.The next meeting will be held at Hunslet on March 8th. Peal attempt at 2.30. Business meeting in the Parish Room at 7.30.- Frank R. Cundale, Secretary, 24 Recreation View, Holbeck, Leeds.

THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIA. TION.-A quarterly meeting of the above $\Lambda$ ssociation will be held at Blakesley on Saturday, March 8th. Bells
available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock, followed by short business meeting. All ringers intending to be present please notify me by Wednesday, March 5th.-J. Slarke, Brackley Road, Towcester.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch.-The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Todmorden Parish Church on Saturday, March 8th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 7 o'clock. All ringers welcome. The committee meet at Todmorden on the same day. - J. H. Bastow, Branch Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-The half-yearly meeting of the above will be held at the church of St. Thomas, Milnthorpe, by kind permission of the Vicar, on Saturday, March 8th, 1913. Bells (six) available from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Meet. ing at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Short service in the church at $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.-W. Robinson, Honorary Secretary.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD. - The next meeting of the Guild will be held at St. Nicholas', Liverpool, on Saturday, March isth. Full particu'ars by cir-cular.-Rev. W. T. Bulpit and W. Bentham, Honotary Secretaries.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, established 1824) Northern District.-The next meeting will be held on March I5th, at St. Mary's, Walthamstow. Tower cpen for ringing from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Business meeting to follow. All cordially invited. - J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7d, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's Church, Bolton, on Saturcay, March I5th, at 6 o'clock; business meeting, 7.30.-G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be held at St. John the Baptist's, Hillingdon, on Saturday, March 2gth. Full particulars will be announced later.-C. T. Coles, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow, and H. C. Chandler, Church Road, Heston, Honorary Secretaries.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIITION.-North Eastern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Colchester on Easter Monday. The bells of St. Peter (8), which have recently leen re-cast, and All Saints (5), will be availalsle from II o'clcck till 7. Tea I/- each, followed by meeting, will be held in Parish Room adjoining. St Peter's, at 4.30. I wish to remind those intending being present the necessity of giving notice not later than the 2oth, as tea will only be ordered for number sending notice.-A. Shufflebotham, District Secretary, Sandpit Road, Braintree.

DUDLEY AND I)ISTRICT GUILD.-In consequence of the Honorary Secretary being in hospital suffering from severe burns. the annual meeting is postponed. Further notice will be given when the date is fixed.-S. Spittle, Ringing Master, 6, Great Hill. Dudley.
C. W. P. CLIFTON has removed from 54, Kirkby Street, to the WHEATSHEAF HOTEL, BROADGATE, LINCOLN. All ringers will receive a hearty welcome. Good accommodation for man or beast.

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## TAMWORTH RINGERS.

The annual meeting of the Tamworth ringers was held in College Lane School on February 3rd. There were present the Rev. J. H. Courteney Ciarke (Vicar) presiding, Messrs. John W. Parker and Sydney N. Chatterton, churchwardens; Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Chatterton, Miss K. Clarke and Miss Sampson, and Messrs. J. Pratt (captain), A. F. Young, R. P. Brindley, J. H. Chattertion, J. H. Chapman, W. Chapman, A. Chaplin, C. Chapman, who were re-elected ringers. Mr. A. E. Young was elected captain, and Mr. R. P. Btindley vice-oaptain. -Mr. J. W. Timme, Mr. A. Everitt and Miss Sampson were eleeted hon. ringers, and Messrs. A. Marks, S. Smith, John W. Parker and Gcorge Chaplin were elected probationers.
Tlie Vical and the churehwardens afterwards provided a substantial meal, which was greatly appreciated, and the Vicar said he was always pleased to gice the ringers every opportunity for practice. Mr. Young presented the report of the year, which recorded one peal, one guarter-peal and a large number of touches of Stedman, Grandsire and Erin Triples and Bob Major.
Mr. Brindley moved that the best thanks be given to the Vicar and warlens for the excellent repast and for the pleasant gathering that they had arranged, ard expressed the hope that it was only the forerumner of many more. He thanked them also for the interest that they had taken in the ringers during the year.-The Vicar and wardens responded, and said it had been a great pleasure to them to be amongst such a body of men who worked so harmoniously together-Games were afterwards engaged in, and a happy evening was brought to a clons about 11 oclock.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## A SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

The annual meeting of the London County Association was held on February 8th, and proved most successful. The towers of St. Andrew's and St. Sepulchre's, JIolborn, were open during the afternoon. and although the "go" of either of the peals is not perfect, good use of the bells was made by the members, and visitors, from the conntry. Tea was partaken of at the "King of Denmark," 42 sitting down. Afterwards the business meeting took place. Four new membere were elected. The concert balance sheet showed a balance of 11s. 4 d.
The Secretary read his report for the year, which proved most satisfactory. The two districts were making progress, and good feeling existed throughout the society. During the year, 20 new memburs were elected, an increase of six on the previous year. Death had remored several of their most respected members, including Mr. Matthew Wood, Mr. William Cooter, Mr. James Pettit, Mr. Arthur Jacob, and Mr. Jarrold Hayward, The rule book had been thoroughly revised and brought up to date, and matter of considerable interest added. -The balance sheet, which showed a balance of 1s. 6d. in the treasurer's hands, was considered satigfactory. During the year 19 peals had been rung in eight methods, 71 members taking part, the conducting having been shared by eight conductors.
Mr. T. H. Taffender was elected Master; Mr. F. J. Hardy was rerelected hon. sceretary; Mr. W. G. Matthews, treasurer; Mr. F. Wells, fenior steward: Mr. 'W. G. Kilby, junior steward; Messrs. R. A. Damiell and T. H. Taffender, trustees.
The meeting closed with rotes of thanks to the officers of the past ycar, and to the incumbents of the two churches for the use of their bells during the afternoon.
The rest of the evening was spent in handbell ringing and harmony.
Dover.-Kent County Association.-On Jan. 20th, at St. Mary's Thurch, 518 Grandsire Triples: W. Corteen 1, C. Turner (eonductor) 2 , A. Roburts 3, R. Stevens 4. H. C. Saywell 5, G. Saunders 6, W. Sheaff 7, G. Godfrev 8. Also 336.-On Jan. 29th, 224 Grandsire Triples on handbells: R. Sterens 1-2, A. Saywell 3-4, C. Turner (conductor) 5-6, II. C. Saywell 7-8. This is the first successful touch beyond a plain course rung on handbells, double-handed, by the St. Mary's Society.

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I am authorised by tioe Rector and Wardens to say how plensed tiney are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualiled to fadre, we have yow, undoubtedly, one of the brat puin in the hiugdom, You:i faithfally, F. T. BECK,

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## FESTIVITY AT BIRMINGHAM.

Every year seems to add to the success which is attained by the Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner, and last Saturday's gathering was more than usually noteworthy. No event of its kind in the provinces is so representative in chaiacter as this Birmingham festivity, at which ringers, not only from the Midland metropolis, but from distant parts if the country foregather to do honour to the memory of one of the greatest men who ever adorned the Exercise. We are often reminded of the words of Shakespeare, " The evil that men do lives after them; the good is oft interred with their bones," but in the case of Henry Johnson no one ever had a single word to say, during his life or after his death, against his integrity and rectitude. His name stands imperishably for honourable and upright dealing in the belfry and out of it, and it will ever remain a cherished memory.

Saturday's proceedings were attended by almost if not quite record numbers and the after dinner oratory was of a more than ordinarily high order. There were many interesting points about the speeches, and both Sir Arthur Heywood, who presided, and the Rector of Birmingham, whose presence gave intense pleasure to the members of the St. Martin's Guild, had much to sav that provided food for thought. Sir Arthur had some pointed remarks to make on the question of Disestablishment, and also on the subject of ringing at churches which are situated in populous centres. His words of warning and advice deserve careful consideration, not only by church officials, but by ringers themselves.

By far the most interesting announcement at the dinner was that made by the Rector-in whom, it is apparent, the Guild have a very warm friend-that he and the church. wardens agreed to the proposal put before him by the indefatigable honorary secretary, Mr. A. Paddon Smith, that the second bell of the twelve at St. Martin's should be recast. This bell, as Mr. Smith had pointed out, is the only blot upon an otherwise magnificent peal. How it came to be a blemish makes interesting and amusing read-ing-if such a thing can possibly have any humour in it. But for a hundred years that bell has been the bete noire of successive generations of Birmingham ringers. Thanks now to the enterprise of the honorary secretary and the ready acquiescence of the Rector and churchwardens, this is to be remedied, and quickly. The announcement came as a great and pleasant surprise to the company, and, needless to sav, was received with whole-hearted enthusiasm. This crowning point to a remarkably pleasant social evening will be a source of great gratification to those who ring at St. Martin's.

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Frank H. Pilllifips ... ... 2 Harry J. Borrett... ... 7
William H. Fossell ... 3 Charles E. Borrett ... 8
Henry C. Gillingham $\quad . .414 \mid$ George G. Borton $\quad 4 \quad 9$


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The ringers of the 3rd, $4^{\text {th }}$ and 6th hail from Slough, Ipswich and Southwold respectively.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, March 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. James, Bermondsey,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANCES;
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Arthur J. Neale ... ...Treble William Theobald ... 6 Isaac G. Shade ... ... ... 2 R Reuben Sanders ...... William Hewett ... ... 3 John Armstong... Alfred W. Grimes ... ... 4 William Pye ... ... ... 9 Bertram Prewett ... ... 5 Ernest Pye ... ... ...Tenoy

Composed by Cornelius Charge, and
Conducted by Bertram Prewett.
Rung on St. David's Day. The above is the Brothers Pye's 8ooth peal together.

## BECCLES, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 1, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES ;
Tenor 25 cwt . I qr. 25 lbs ., in D .
*Rupert J. Goate ... ...Tveble George B Baxter... ... 6 Harry Barton... ... ... 2 Denison Hayvard ... ... 7 Frederick C. Lambert ... 3 + 3 +Ernest F. Popry...


- Clayton Parnell ... ... 5 |*Edmond Ettridge ... ...Tenor Composed by John Rogers, and

Conducted by Harry Barton.

* First peal on ten bells. † First peal of Grandsire Caters.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

PENTRE RHONDDA.
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(St. Peter's Society.)
On Thursday, February 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Ticelve Minutcs, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF ERIN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. io lbs., in E flat.


## CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Chiddingfold Society.)
On Thursday, February 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE ; Holt's Ten-Part.
Claud Remnant... ... ...Tyeble Arthor J. Bartlett George Luff … ... 3 Thomas Attwell ... ... 4 Conducted by Arthur J. Bartlett.
Rung as a farewell peal to the Rev. Canon J. W. Hunter, M.A. who vacated the living on this date owing to continued ill health. All the above are members of the local band and offer their best wishes to Canon Hunter in his retirement.

## LEISTON, SUFFOIK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.
On Saturday, March 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-sevch Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF STEDPAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Heywood's Variation of Thurstans'. Tenor $20 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in E. Frederick W. Bailey ...Treble Ernest S. Bailey ... ... 5 James M. Bailey ... ... 2 Charles Sampson ... ... 6 George Wilson ... ... 3 Charles F. Bailey ... 7 Edgar H. Bailey ... ... 4 Leonard P. Bailey ...Tenor Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.
First peal of Stedman by all. First peal in the method on the bells bya local company.

NEW ROMNEY, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(The Romney Marsh and District Guild.)
On Saturday, March 1, 1913, in Thvee Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Davies' Ten-Part No. 1. Tenor ig $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Cyril Wenham ... ... ...Tveble Ernest E. Hutchinson Alfred Daw ... ... Percy Page Prey Page... KAY KAY 3 George Biluenness Highwood S. Humpar 6 George B. Anderson ...Tenor Conducted by George Billenness.
Messrs. Daw and Wenham belong to Stone-in-Oxney, A. C. Kay to Ashford, G. Billenness to Rye, and the rest are local ringers. Rung on St. David's Day.

COLNE, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Blackburn and Rochdale Branches.) On Saturday, March 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Church of St. Bartholomew,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5216 CHANCES;

Tenor 16 cwt.
John P. Foulds ... ...Treble *Harry Foulds ... ... ... 5
 Alfred Brook... $. . . \quad . . .4$. 4 William Mallinson ...Tenor

Composed and Conducted by William Mallinson.

* First peal in the method. The ringers of the 6th and 7 th hail from Todmorden; the rest belong to the local company.


## BURNHAM, BUCKS

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, March 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor i6 cwt.
William Henley ... ...Treble William Welling... ... 5 $\begin{array}{cccccccc}\text { tGeorge H. Gutteridge... } & 2 \\ \text { Joseph J. Parker } & . . . & . . & 3 & \text { James Blackmore } & . . & . . & 6 \\ \text { George Marin } & . . & . & 7\end{array}$ Joseph J. Parker ... ... 3 George Maritin ... Jesse Eldridge $\quad \ldots \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ George Allder $\quad . .$. Composed by N. J. Pirstow, and Conducted by George Martin.

* First Surprise peal. † First Surprise peal away from the treble.


## LONDON

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John, Deptford, S.E.,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 14 cwt. o qr. I8 lbs., in F .
William Weatherstone Tyeble $\mid$ †Ernest B. Crowder ... 5
Thomas G. Deal ... ... 2 George H. Daynes ...
-Fredk. Wm. Richardson 3 †Joseph Law ... ... ... 7
Alfred Geo. Bennington 4 William J. Jeffries ...Tenor
Composed by Henry J. Tucker, and
Conducted by William J. Jeffries.

* First peal of Bob Major. + First in the method and first peal of Major. $\ddagger$ First with a bob bell. First in the method as conductor.


## STEYNING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
\& PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOR MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES ;

Composed by Edwin Barnett, and
Conducted by Keith Hart.
DEVONPORT, DEVON,
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, Mavch 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Chapel, His Majesty's Dockyard,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A Variation of Thurstans'
Tenor 9 cwt.

| Ernest W. Marsh..... Treble | *Wiltiam Richards.... ... | 5 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Warren Hornbrook | $\ldots$ | 2 | Rev. Everard S. Powell | 6 |

*Warren Hornbrook ... 22 Rev. Everard S. Powell 6
 Conducted by Ernest W. Marsh.

* First peal of Stedman. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. Banister.

PENDLEBURY, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Manchester Branch.)
On Saturday, March 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At Christ Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Reeves' Ten-Part Variation.
Albert Wallwork ... ...Treble | Francis E. Bradshaw ... 3
Charles Seddon ... ... 2 *John Howard ... ... ... 6

| Thomas Lingard | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | Thomas Howard | ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Daniel Howard | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 4 | John Edge | ... | ... |
| Din |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Conducted by T. Lingard.
*First peal. F. E. Bradshaw comes from Whitefield, the rest are local ringers. Rung with the bells muffled as a token of respect to the mother of the conductor.

TYLDESLEY, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, March 1; 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. George,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor In $\frac{7}{2}$ cwt.

Composed by Edwin Timbrell, and
Conducted by John Potter.
First peal in the method on the bells.

## HONITON CLYST.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, March 1. 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
a PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

> Holt's Ten-Part.

William H. Howe ... ...Treble
Julios A. Snow... ... 2 Arthur D. Sowell ... ... 3 Frank J. Davey ... ... William A. Hayman ... 4 *George Betts ... ... Tenor Conducted by John R. Hayman.

* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to F. J. Davey. The ringers wish to thank the Rev: H. Clarke for the use of the bells and for his hospitality after the peal.

CHILHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sahuday, Marth 1, 1913, in Threc Howrs and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORIVICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

 Frederick G. Brett $\cdots \frac{1}{} \quad 3 \quad$ Frederick A. Holden ... 7 Edward Trendill Composed and Conducted by Frederick W. Holden.
First peal of Double Norwich on the bells.
HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, March 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. Remigios,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES;

 Tenor ic cwt.Fredk. W. Middleton ...Treble | George H. Cross ... ... 5 Ben. S. Thompson ... ... 2 George Howchin ... ... 6 William A. Hempel … 3 Albert G. Warnes... ... 7 Cgarles H. Gillingham 4 Frederick J. Howahin ... Tenor Composed by the late Thomas Day, and Conducted by Frederick J. Howchin.
This peal was arranged for Mr . C. H. Gillingham, of Ipswich. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Rector (the Rev. Canon J. Still) for the use of the bells.

HILLINGDON WEST
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday', March 3, 1913, in Tan Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GRAHDSIRE TRIPLE8, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 13 cwt I qr. 25 lb .
John Peddle ... ... ...Treble George H. Gutiteridge 5 Edgar Hancox ... ... ... 2 Henry H. Chandler ... 6 Henry Waite ... ... ... 3 Percy E. Jones ... ... 7 Joseph J. Pratt... ... .... 4 Thomas Smith... ... ... Tenor Composed by James W. Moorhouse, and Conducted by Edgar Hancox
This peal was rung as a farewell to the Rev. H. G. Bird, who, for 22 years was vicar of St. Andrew's Church, and President of the above Guild since its formation; also as a birthday compliment to H. H. Chandler.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

ELSTOW, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Monlay, February 24, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Chorch of SS. Mary and Helen,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5060 CHANGES;
Being 720 of Woodbine, two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble
Bob and one each of Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Harry Tysoe
Miss Dorothy D... Steet...I reble Miss Dorothy D John W. Barker

Miss Evilyn Steel ... 4 Reginald Gardner … 5 Edward White ... ...TEnor Conducted by Harry Tysoz.
First peal by Miss Dorothy Steel. First peal as conductor.

## PETTISTREE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Fobruary 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor il cwt,
*Richard Dunnett ... ...Treble $\mid$ Charles Fieher... †Lester Gray ... ... ... 2 William Reeve ... ... 5 Alfred Clements ..... .3 3 Robert Miles... ... ... Tenoy Conducted by Robert Miles.

- First peal. $\dagger$ First peal away from the treble.

OWSLEBURY, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, March 1, 1973, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF BOB NINOR, 5040 CNANCES;

Seven 720 's, each called differently. Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. i lbs., in A.
Oiven H. Giles ... ...Treble
*George Pullenger ... 2 .
*Arthor Stubbington ... 3 William T. Tucker ... 5 Conducted by George Williams.

* First 5040 . The band wish to thank the Vicar for his kindness in entertaining them to supper at the Vicarage after the peal. This is the first 5040 on the bells.


## BIDDENHAM, BEDS

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Salurday, March T, 1913, in Turo Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. James,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, London Scholars', College Exercise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent.

Tenor $13 \frac{t}{2}$ cwt.
Herbert L. Harlow
Miss Evelyn Steel
...Treble


Conducted by John W. Barker.

* First peal of Treble Bob Minor

ASHBOCKING, SUFFOLK.
TFE NORWICH DIOCFSAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 1, 1913, in Tiw Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being two $720^{\prime}$ s each of Woodbine and Oxford Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob.
Tenor io cwt. o qr. 2 I lb., in A flat.

| *Charles Church | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | George Bennett | ... | .. | 4 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George Fleming | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Albert Fleming | ... | .. | 5 |

 Conducted by George Farnish.

- First peal. + First peal as conductor

WHITCHURCH, NEAR CARDIFF.
THE LILANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB finOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720 's each called differently. Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
David Thomas ... ... ...Treble John Clotterbock... ... 4 Frank J. Bailey ... ... 2 Fied Chamberlain ... 5 Clarence O. Hobbs... ... 3: Sidney Dawe ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by David Thomas.
First peal of Kent by all and first peal of Kent Minor by the Association. Rung on St. David's Day with the bells half-muffled in memory of Captain Scott and his band, who met their tragic death, at the South Pole.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCTATION AND SPITALFIELDS FOUNDRY GUILD.
On Monday, March 3, 1913, in Two Howrs and Thirty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Anne, S. Tottenham,

## A PEAL OF RINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of two $\% 20$ 's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt . o gr. Io lbs., in A.
Frederick A. Nunn... ...Tyeble Arthur N. Palmer ... 4
 Richard N. Runham $\ldots 3$ Thomas Groombridge, Jmr. Tehor Conducted by
R. N. Runham's first peal in three methods, and the conductor's first peal of Minor.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

HARWICH, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, February 25, 1913, in One Hour and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Residence of A. T. Morris,
a PEAL Of KENT TREBLE BOB 晩AJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Arthor T. Morris... ... i-m ${ }^{-2}$ Thomas H. Bernard ... 5-6
Grorge Thompson... ... 3 3-4 Tower Taylor ... ... 7 - 8 Composed by W. Harrison, and Conducted by A. T. Morris.

OXHEY, HERTS
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wednestay, February 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Ton Minutes, At 43. Heath Road,

## a peal of stedman cinques, 5027 Changes;

Hubert Eden
i-2 ${ }^{*}$ E. Maurice Atkins ... 7-8 Henry Hodgetts ... $. . . \quad 3-4$ William Hodgetts ... 9-io George E. Howchin ... 5-6 George N. Price ... it-i2 Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by George N. Price. Umpire: Thomas L Simmons.

* First peal on twelve bells


## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, February 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, At George IV., Bronswick Street, Haggerston,
A PEAL OF STEDGAN CINQuES, 5019 CHANCES;
Bertram Prewett
William Pye...
I-2 ${ }^{-2}$ Ernest Pye
7-8
George R. Pye
3-4 James Hunt... 9—10 Alfred W. Grimes ... if-I2

Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by William Pye. Umpire: W. Hewett.

## LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Friday, Febraary 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Three Minutes, It 3. Hart's Lane, Neiv Cross,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;
Miss Elsie L. Bennett I-2 ${ }^{2}$ Walter S. Wise... Willian Shepherd ... 3 - - Frank 1. Hairs

Composed by Frank Bennett, and
Conducted by William Shepherd.
Umpie: Frank Bennett.
Rung as a birthday compliment to W. S. Wise. This is the conductor's 200th peal

## SHEFFIELD.

THE YORFSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 1, 1913, in Two Howrs and Twenty-four Minutes, At 3r, Burgess Street.
a peal of kent treble bob major, 5088 changes;
John Thorpe
Clement Glenn ......
Composed by C. H. Hattersley, and
Conducted by Clement Glenn.
First handbell peal in the method by all. G. Lewis's 50 th hand bell peal.

## CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Saturday, March 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Five Minutes, At Trinity College,

## A PEAL OF LItTLE BOE MAJJOR, 5000 CHANGES ;

$\dagger$ J. Bruce Williamson... i-2 William D. James ... 5-6 E. Maurice Atkins ... 3-4 *Frederick Barker ... 7-8 Conducted by E. M. Atkiss.

* First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal in the method away from the tenors.


## CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Saturday, March 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minuter, At Pembroke College,
A PEAL OF KENT TRERLE BCE KOYAL, 5280 CHANGES;
J. Broce Williams ... i-2 Teev. A. H. F. Boughey $5-6$ William D. James ... $3-4$ E. Maurice Atkins ... $7-8$ -Frederick Barker ... 9-io
Composed and Conducted by E. M. Atkins. Umpire: F. P. Cheetiam.

* First peal of Treble Bob in hand. First peal of Treble Ten by all except the ringer of $5-6$.


## CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Sunday, March 2, 1913, in Tüo Hours and Five Minutes,
At Pembroke College,
A PEAL of KERt TREBLE BO己 majOR, 5120 Chances;
J. Bruce Williamson ... i-2 William D. James ... 5 -6
E. Maurice Atkins . 3-4 Frederick Barker ... 7-8

Composed by J. Fleming, and
Conducted by W. D. James.

## SCURTHORPE RINGERG' EXCURSION.

alossis. Vamplew, Short, Bird, Strickland, Smith, Oliver, Hocknell and 'Ihurner, of the Scunthorpe band, had an enjoyable outing to Hatfield on Thursday week, at the invitation of Mr. Smith, of TWinterton, formerly of Hatield, who kindly ontertained them to tea. An attempt to accomplish a half-muffled peal of Grandsire Triples was made at the Parish Church in memoriam of the late Mrs. S. Smith, who died a short time ago, aged 102 years. but the peal went astray, after ringing for 2 hrs. 10 mins.

## OCCASIONS OF PEAL RINGING.

## To the Elititor.

Sir,--In your issue of 21st February there was reported a peal rung at Bristol on Wednesday, February 5th. An opportunity was here missed of adding a footnote. "Rung to celebrate Ash Wednesday." It was certainly a novel cccasson for a peal, but if it really was rung with the bolls open, is not this carrying the "No Popery" movement a little too far?-Yours truls,
F. Ll. EDWARDS.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION.

Tho monthly combined practice of the Southern Branch was held at Nutfield on Tuesday week, when fourteen members were present, and the following methods were practised: London, York and Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Bob Minor. A meeting was held in the tower, at which ten new members were elected to the branch, including the Rector of Burstow as a ringing membar. The next combined practice will be at Fiorley.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

'HHE NEW BELLS AT COPPULL
A well-attended practice meeting of the Preston branch was held at the new Church of St. John-the-Divine, Coppull, on Saturday last. At present the massive tower contains a ring of six bells (tenor $16 \frac{1}{2}$ cwts. in F), but as the frame is macle for eight it is hoped some day to complete the octave. Ererything about the church is on an elaborate scale, and nothing could be more fitting to bring it to completion than two more bells added to make a beautiful ring of eight. Messrs. Taylor are the founders, and their reputation is we! ' upheld in the tone and "go," which delighted all comers. One thing mars the ringing chamber and that is noise, but a conversation with the Vicar showed that he was anxious that this should be remedied. The bells were kept going during the afternoon and evening by mixed bands, the local men being put through their first attempt at changes. The methods were: Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Plain Bob and Original, and Stedman Doubles. The towers represented were: Preston Parish and St. Mark's, Leyland Parish and St James', Penwortham, Eccleston, Brindle, Chorley, Whittle-le-Woods and Standish.

## HENRY JOHNSON DINNER.

## GREAT GATHERING OF RINGERS AT BIRMINGHAM.

## ST. MARTIN'S SECOND TO BE RECAST.

There was a great gathering of ringers from far and near at Birmingham on Saturday on the occasion of the Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner, held under the auspices of the St. Martin's Guild The event has always been a great attraction, and this year there was a larger number present than ever. After meeting for ringing at St. Martin's and St. John's, Deritend, in the afternoon, nearly 140 sat down to dinner at Ye Olde Royal Hotel, where mine host provided an excellent repast. Subsequently the party was swelled by the addition of many other ringers and friends, the post prandial speeches being listened to by a company of about 200. Sir Arthur Heywood presided, and was supported by Canon J. W. Willink (Rector of Bir mingham), Chonon Gonner (Vicar of St. John's, Deritend), Ald. J. S Pritchett (Presiding Master of the Guild), Messis. J. Kendall (churchwarden of St. Martin's), H. G. Vickerstaff, Arthur Wade Edge, W. H Godden, F. E. Dawe, T. Faulkner (Master of the College Youths). H. Mason, A. E. Parsons, C. W. Bassano, and A. Paddon Smith (hon. secretary). Among those also present were: Mr. J. E. Groves (Ring ing Master), Mrs. Groves, Miss E. K. Parker (London), Miss M. Sampson (Edinburgh), Messis. E. Horrex, A. A. Hughes and J. Waghorn (London), J. Griffin (Burton-on-Trent), J. Austin (Gloucester), R. J Wilkins (Bristol), W. Page and C. Jones (Worcester), and many ringers from neighbouring towns.

## SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD ON DISESTABLISHMENT

The Chairman, having submitted the loyal toast, which was enthusiastically honoured, proposed "The Church and State." cailed particular attention to the fact that the two were coupled together, and, after emphasising the greatness of the Empire with some striking figures, said that with their greatness they had their responsibilities. How had they ween justifying their responsibilities? I am not going to talk politics, proceeded Sir Arthur, but what some people call politics are the essence of considering what a nation is doing. That we have a right to do every time and everywhere. We ringers are "down in the mouth," and for this reason, a Bill has paseed through the House of Commons, and in about another year will practioally pass into law, which disestablishes the Church in Wales ("shame"). It is four years ago since I had the honour of taking the chair at one of these most enjoyable gatherings, and I remember that at that time I pointed out the necessity of every ringer, and by ringer meaning Churehman, must to the utmost resist this attempt to take away money from part of the Church of England. Now what I want to point out to you is this: Is it consonant with the intelligence that ought to accompany the ruling of so great an empire as aurs that any Government, I am not talking about one side or the other, should take away from a body that is doing so much good as the Church of England is doing in Wales, that small modicum of its means which will make all the difference between success and, I won't say failure, but success under very much increased difficulty? I venture to think that is not in accordance with the intelligence we should have expected from thase who, in other ways, have perhaps very adequately ruled this country.

DANGER TO THE CHURCH IN ENGLAND.
I want most farnestly to beseech you all, as ringers, and, therefore, interested in the welfare of the Church of England, to bear in mind that this disestablishment of the Church of England in Wales is simply a forecast of the methods that will be applied to the Church of England in England itself. Leng before there was any Parliamentary Government in England there was a ohurch, and long before there was a church in England there was a church in Wales, and it was from Wales that the church came to England. It is a most ruthless action to take away from that little church in Wales the small endowment they have, and to devote it to a purpose which is wholly illusory. It is an entire misrepresentation to say there is any body in Wales that outnumbers Churchmon in Wales. There is no single denomination in Wales that outnumbers the Church in Wales. Therefore, by what possible reasoning can you make it fair to take away funds from that Church? I do most earnestly ask you in drinking this toast of "Church and State" to bear in mind that the church is responsible in large measure for the creation of this country, and it will be a bad day if in England the Church is separated from the State (cheers).
The Rector of Birmingham, who had a most enthusiastic reception, said, in the course of his reply, that bell ringing was one of the most beautiful arts that science and religion had combined to give them, and to see so many men gathered together, men to whom the art of bell ringing was a true joy and a true enthusiasm, was something to fill a man in his position with great thankfulness and great hope of the future (applause). The Chairman had been speaking to him of what he had known during his long and honourable record of belfy work, and the wonderful change that had come over the ringers of the present day compared with the ringers of the days gone by. Ringers to-day were, in increasing numbers, taking up their art as an offering to God as part of their weekly worship (applause). It was a great joy to him a little while ago to receive from his own noble band of brothers, to whom their St. Martin's belfry was sacred ground, the
request that they might be enrolled as members of the C.E.M.S. (applause), and he should not easily forget the emotions of his heart and mind as they stood before him at the ohancel steps and wore acimitted into that august brotherhood. That, he believed, oould be parallelled in many parts of Englaud, and for that he thanked God from the bottom of his heart.

AN ACROSTIC.
Proceeding, the Rector offered an acrostic on the word "bells." Did not tho letter B, ho said, tell them of the beauty, the holiness and the joy that men felt in giving the very best they bad to the servico of God? He loved to think that when the bells were rung they were as much a part of Divine service as the anthem that was going to be sung in church (applause). For that reason he welcomed the practice nights which enabled the ringers to make their beautiful work more beautiful still. Then, did not the letter E remind them of the great word "enthusiasm." It was enthusiasm that brought them there that night. Enthusiasm was the salt of life and the joy of work, and he thought, if ever one found cuthusiasm anywhere, one found it in a company of bell ringers. The two L's spoke of love's labour: for labour it was, but labour when it was enthused by love, tho master motive of humanity, oeased to be labour. The letter $S$ surely spoke to them of the one great thought which he, as representing the Church that night, would like so much to emphasise-the sanctification of their work, the offering of it to God Himself. If they regarded their ringing from this standpoint, it took on a totally different perspective. They looked upon bell ringing as a privilege and joy. It brought them into brotherhood with a remarkably fine set of men: it brought them into touch with great and high things, and he felt that the privilege of their art was one for which they might thank God. It seemed to him that they were there on almost a sacred errand, to hallow their brotnerhood, to deepen their goodwill, to exchange experiences, and go forth from that anniversary dinner to the memory of a great and good man with rencwed energy, with a higher motive than ever before, and a truer resolve to do their best for Him to whom they offered their services (applanse).

ST. MARTIN'S SECOND BELL.
Before concluding, the Rector said he had received a letter from their valued secretary, Mr. Paddon Smith, in which he wrote: "It cccurs to me that this is a tavourable moment to bring to your notice the fact that the second bell of the twelve at St. Martin's, the smallest but one, is badly out of tune, and it is considered the only blot on our otherwise magnificent peal. Somewhere about a century ago it was clumsily handled by a workman connected with a London frm who were rehanging the bells. This intelligent man finding that the bells and frame had been placed too close together to permit the mouth of the bell to pass, cut away so much of the frame as he thought could be done with safety, and then actually proceeded to operate on the bell itself. IIe removed portions from both sides of the lip, and this, of course, left the bell hopelessly flat. The only remedy is recasting, and as the cost of this would not be heavy, probably under $£ 25$, I earnestly hope that you and the churchwardens will agree to the improvement being made. In the opinion of experts, we should then have in Birminghim a ring of twelve second to none in the country (applause). Should you view my suggestion favourably, I will, on behalf of the Guild, guarantee $£ 5$ towards the cost (applause), and would certainly promise to raise a further $£ 5$ in subscriptions. In these circumstances the expense to the church would only be a matter of about £15. My members are not aware that I am placing the matter before you at this moment, and if you agree. I think it would be nice for you to spring it on :hom as a pleasant surprise in the course of your speech after dinner " (laththter and applause). The Rector added: I have only to say in response to that most eloquent appeal-I heartily thank Mr. Smith for writing it-that the Rector and churchwardens are absolutely at one in this matter, and are prepared to sanction the expendituro and see the work carried out (loud cheers). When that work is done, in the course of a few months, we must have a special gathering of ringers; you must let me lead you in a service in the grand old church, and then you must allow me, if you will, to bo your host, so that we can celebrate together the completion of the urrivalled St. Martin's peal, and cement our good fellowship in some deligntful way. It will be a very great joy to mo to meet you once again, and we will have a really good time with the old bells when they are complete (loud cheers).

## THE MEMORY OF HENRY JOHNSON

The Chairman proposed "The Immortal Memory of Henry Johnson," and expressed his pleasure at once rore presiding at that dinner which was held in memory of one of the best and most honest and upright of ringers that, to his (the speaker's) knowledge they ever had among them (applause). Sir Arthur recalled the interesting and, as he termed it, the almost romantic story, of the rivalry between those two Birminglam men, Thurstans and Lates, to obtain the first peal of Stedman Triples on the twin-bob principle. The first to get the composition was Thurstans, and Mr. Johnson called the peal. Those who were young ringers did not realise the excitement there must have been in Birmingham, for the whole country was looking for the first proper peal of Stedman Triples to be rung. That toast, he continued, was to the memory of a man who was the one in those days to whom everybody in that town-and it was a great ringing town then-turned to as the one reliable man they could count on (hear, hear). There
was never any idea about Henry Johnson going behind anything he said, or treating any man other than fairly and honourably. All his life that was the one example that he set before them. He (the Chairman) hoped that dinner would be carried on for many years to come, seeing thow much good fellowship it engendered, and how many friends it brought together under the influence of its good feeling. In asking tinem to rise to that toast in silence, the wished that tho memory of Henry Johnson might be ever with them, because he was a standing example of the truth, and it was that very truth in his character that bad mada him the great man in the Exercise that he was and always would be.
The toast was drunk in silence.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.

Ald. Pritchett, who, owing to another engagement was only able to spend a short time with the ringers, proposed the toast of "Continued Prosperity to the St. Martin's Guiid." He said there was nothing with which he was assosiated that he wished greater prosperity to. IIc welcomed the presence of Miss Edith Parker (applanse), who was, as they knew, the first lady to conduct a peal of Stedman Cinques in this or any other country. He did not know what more that young lady had to look forward to in the way of achievements in ringing, but probably she would find a way to surpass even that wonderful performance. Ho would like also to mention that they had with them Miss Marjorie Sampson (applause), who rang in a peal of Stedman Triples only the previous weelr. It was sometime since the ladies began to tako an interest in the Art, and they were glad to see them among them in increasing numbers. He thought it was a tribute to the good behaviour of ringers that any young lady might now go into any belfry in England without feeling any lass of self-respect (applause). Je would like specially to mention that they had among them that old veteran, Mr. Faukes, who that day completed his 76 th year (applause). They hoped he would continue in good health for many years to come. But the great anniversary to which he wished to allude was the 50 th anniversary of Mr. Rock Small's entry into the bonds of holy wedlock (applause). They congratulated him, and would have been delighted and proud to welcome Mrs. Small had her health enabled her to come. The speaker went on to congratulate Mr. Painter on recovering from his illness, and Mr. James George on completing his 500 peals, and upon ringing his first peal of Cambridge. Then he also had to congratulate Mr. Jimmy Jones upon three new grandchildren since lact they met (loud laugbter). He had kept the greatest name till last-their friend John Carter was present (hear, hear). They had hoped his ringing machine would have been perfected, and would have been exhibited to them on that occasion, but he thought it would be there next year for certain. In the course of his duties as a member of the City Council, he (the speaker) had inspected some relies at Handsworth with a view to housing them in the Reference Liorary. He saw there some wonderful models of steam engines which Watts perfected and patented, but they all seemed wonderfully simple compared with Mr. Carter's ringing machine, and he could not think that the acumen and ability was required to construct these models that Mr. Carter had shown in constructing his wonderful machine (applause). The thought occurred to him in mentioning Mr. Carter, and the mention of Mr. Johnson, how little the world knew of some of its greatest $m \in n$ (applause). He was glad to think the Guild was prospering greatly. They were more numerous in members than ever before, and those members, taking them all round, were more accomplished ringers and certainly better men than those of the past. They also had more friends than they ever had; they were delighted to have a friend in their Rector-a true friend, as they had experienced that night (applause). The speaker referred in eulogistic terms to the services rendered to the Guild by Mr. Paddon Smith, the hon. secretary, upon whom the mantle of Mr. Godden had fallen.
Mr. Smith, who responded. said the work of his office was to him a labour of love, and he was particularly proud to be the secretary of the Guild. With all due respect to the secretaries of other societies ho would not "swop" places with any one of them (laughter and
applause). He was very proud of the fact that they had with them the Rector of Birmingham, for the first time for eight or nine years (hear, hear). As far as the recasting of the second went, it was one of the objects which he had had in mind, certainly ever since he had rung at St. Martin's. He was determined that one day it should be clone, and now it was almost as good as done, thanks to the Rector (applause). He (the speaker) had already received an anonymous donation of three guineas towards the cost (applause).

## KTNDRFD SOCIETIES.

Mr. W. H. Godden submitted "Kindred Societies," of which many were representod there that night, inchuding the Ancient Society of College Youths, who were represented by the Master.
Mr. S. Faulkner, who responded, expressed his pleasure at the opportunity of being present, and added that they in London had a very
doep respect for the provincial societies, and there was no society for whom they had greater respect than for St. Martin's Guild. The traditions of ringing between Birmingham and London were so closely bound up, that there seemed a brotherhood between the two that nxisted brtween Irondon and no other city. with the possible exception of Norwich. ITo was glad to have with him the "father" of the
as one of their past Masters, Mr. Dawe. They as ringers ought to set a. high ideal before them. It was better to fall short of it than to have no ideal at all (applause).
In complimentary terms, Mr. F. E. Dawe proposed "The Ringing Papers," to which the Editor of "The Ringing World" responded. CENTRAL COUNCIL AND RINGERS.
Mr. Dawe then submitted "The Chairman," and recalled the efforts made by Sir Arthur when he founded the Central Council, which was brought into being to protect the rights and privileges and interests of ringers (applause). IIe (Mr. Dawe) became the first secretary, but ho most candidly admitted that he found the task too gigantic, and he gave way to another. He had not attended a Central Council meeting for many years until last Whit-Tuesday, and he found then that so far from it being established to protect their rights and privileges in the future, it became almost a gigantic argument between two of the most skilled mathematicians. He was sure they did not want to go all over England to hear gentlemen discuss the difference between tweedledee and tweadledum. To say that they had never yet rung a correct peal of Stedman Triples was straining at a gnat and swallowing a camel (laughter). He would like to see the Council do something to induce ringers to study first the feelings of the general public. In some of the populous places he believed the frequent peal ringing would presently lead to a tremendous " kick-up." He thought the Central Council should bring influence to bear on church authorities and bell ringers to study the feelings of the general public. Ten, twelve or fourteen thousand poople were not going to be annoyed for hours to please a dozen men who wanted to ring a peal, and they would find ways and means of stopping it. They should never be surprised if some day there was an Act of Parliament passed to stop bells being rung in populous districts. Let them, therefore, before it was too late. get church authorities to carry out the necessary structural alterations to stop the reverberating clang, otherwise their rights and privileges might be crushed in the future.

## SIR ARTFIUR HEYTYOOD'S WARNING.

Sir Arthur, whose health was drunk with musicel honours, said, in reply, that what Mr. Dawe had said about peal ringing had a very real basis. It was perfectly splendid the way in which year by year their records were increasing in number and increasing in quality, but there was no doubt whatever that the general public did not very much like it. He had always said that, among a poptulation that worked with their hands, there was a deep inborn appreciation of church bells, but he confessed that he himself at times, if he had a considerable amount of brain work to do, found that to do that brain work to the accompaniment of bells that were being rung close by was not the best incentive to one's labours. He believed that if they were not very careful, what Mr. Dawe had forecast might very well come about. It was possible in a parlament which oarried things with a rather high hand, they might themselves come up for judgment, and he earnestly commended to them what Mr. Dawe had said about having the belfry windows bricked up. It did not impair the music at all, but increased it, and stopped the noise. It was one of the thinge to-day which needed their most careful attention. In all other ways, the Exercise was going forward in the right path. Nothing, continued Sir Arthur, had caused him so much pleasure as the information that the Rector of Birmingham had given them that night that his ringers had joined the Church of England Men's Society (applause). If they, as ringers, were to be true to their colours, they must try and mend their ways. He had stuck up for them for years and years (hear, hear), and he knew that almost all of them were real good fellows, but a lot of them were shocking bad church goers (laughter and applause). They could not really pose as church bell ringers unless they would prove themselves Churchmen as well. The interests of the church were necessary to the promotion of their interests because, if the church were swept away, the bells would be swept away. Looking at it, therefore, from the lowest motives, it was to their supreme interests that they should identify themselves with the church authorities. He had always stuck to it, and he had told the Rector so that night that the reform of the ringers-and they wanted reforming to what they were 60 jears ago-was due not to the parson, but to the ringer (applause). But having got so far, there remained something for them to do, and he earnestly besought them to bear in mind their responsibility to consider the public, and that unless they took care they might in the future ba debarred from the Exercise which they all loved (applause).
This concluded the speech-making, which had left very little time in the course of the evening for music. There was a pianoforte solo, and a course of Stedman Cinques, and tunes on handbells by members of St. Martin's Guild. The tit-bit of the programme, however, was the course of Scientific Triples (216 changes), Mr. Carters remarkably complex method which was tapped on the du?cimer by that wonderful man, Mr. Harry Withers. Needles; to say, the performance fairly "brought down the house." Mr. Withers also played a selection of airs with great skill.
Over £12 was subscribed in the room towards the recasting of the second bell. A subscription list is now open, and any member or friencl who would like to contribute should communicate with the hon. secretary, Mr. A. P. Smith, 11, Albert Road. Handsworth, Birming. ham.

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# BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS. WORCESTER. 

By J. R. Jerram.

According to Ellacombe's "Bells of the Church," Worsester Cathedral seems to have had a detached bell-tower, standing at a short distance from the north-east transept in early times. This was built about 1220 , and contained four bells. The first was inscribed, "Campanas diu serves has Virgo Marı""; the second, "Cristus vincit, Cristus regnat, Cristus imperat, Cristus nos ab omni malo" [defendit] ; the third, "Johannes Lyndesey hoc opere impleto, Christi virtute faveto"; and the fourth, "Ave Maria giacia plena Dominus tecum." There appears to have also been a clock-bell, inscribed: "Thoma Mildenham Priore. En ego campana nunquam denuncio vana. Laudo Deum Eternum, Plebem voco, Congrego clerum, Funera plango, Fulgura frango, Sabbata pango, excito lentes, Dissipo ventos, Paco cruentos."


Worcester Cathedral.
Previous to the present peal there was a peal of eight in the central tower, the old detached campanila having been long since pulled down. These bells are said to have borne the following inscriptions:

Treble.
GOD SAVE THE KING.
Second.
(no inscription).
Third.
IN HONORE SCI WOLSTAN EPSI.
Fourth.
HONI SOIT QVI MAI. Y PENS.

## Fitth.

RICARDO EDES DECANO 1602 (this bell was recast by Rudhall 1820).

Sixth.
HOC OPUS IMPLETO JESU VIRTUTE FAVETO.
Seventh.
MISSI DE CELIS HABEO NOMEN GABRIELIS. Tenor.
I SWEETLY TOLLING MEN DO CALL TO TASTE ON MEAT THAT FEEDS THE SOUL. (this bell was recast by Rudhall 1830).

In 1868 these bells were replaced by a peal of twelve. Each bell is inscribed in Lombardic capitals JOHN TAYLOR AND Co FOUNDERS, LOUGHBOROUGH. MDCCCLXVIII, with the following additions:-
Treble S. MATTHIAS weight cwt. qrs. lbs.
Second. S. JUDAS JACOBI $\quad, \quad 7 \quad 0 \quad 22$ Third. S. SIMON ZELOTES " 7 2 10
Fourth. S. JACOBUS ALPHEEI " 830
Flat Fourth. (used for chimes)
S. PAULUS ", $\quad 9 \quad 2 \quad 4$

Sixth.
Seventh.
Eighth.
Ninth.
Tenth.
Eleventh.
Tenor.
S. MATTH $\begin{aligned} & \text { SUS } \\ & \text { S. BARTHOLOMEUS }\end{aligned}$
S. THOMAS
S. PHILIPPUS
S. ANDREAS
S. JOHANNES
S. JACOBUS
S. PETRUS

I I $0 \quad 24$
$120 \quad 0$
I5 2 II
2 I 2 II
26 I 8

Tenov. $\quad$ S. PETRUS $49 \quad 2 \quad 0$ strikes the hour, was put up at the same time. This bell bears the following inscription in Lombardic letters:+ SURGE $\dagger$ QUI + DORMIS $+\mathrm{ET} \dagger$ EXSURGE $\dagger$ MORTUIS +ET †ILLUMINABIT †TE $\dagger$ CHRISTUS. [and on the waist below] IOHANNES TAYLOR DE LOUGHBOROUGH FUDIT IN USUM ECCLESI出 CATHEDRALIS CHRISTI ET BEATE MARIE VIRGINIS IN CIVITATE ET COMITATU VIGORNIENSI MDCCCLXVIII $\square$ (Royal arms) $\nabla$ (arms of Dean and Chapter) $\square$ (arms of See of Worcester) (arms of City of Worcester) $\bigcirc$ (Taylor's Medallion).

In 1875 two more bells, cast by Messrs. Taylor \& Co., were added for the carillons. These are a flat sixth, inscribed S. MARCUS, weight in cwt. I qr. 6 lbs., and a flat eighth, inscribed S. LUCAS, i8 cwt. o qrs. If lbs.

## ODD CHANGES.

Mr. Ted Horrex, now the "father" of the College Youths, paid his first visit to Birmingham on Saturday, for the dinner of the St. Martin's Guild. He is getting quite "gay" in his old age. Needless to say, Mr. Horrex was a very welcome risitor.

Speaking of Birmingham, it is not *uninteresting to note that for over a hundred years St. Martin's Church has never been without a Stedman Cinques band. This must be a record for any church, we should think. For iso years, except when silenced through illness near the church, or for repairs, the bells have always been rung on Tuesday nights. It has become a perfect tradition, and even open air preachers and speakers-who in Birmingham may only use the Bull Ring-recognise the well established custom and avoid the Bull Ring on Tuesdays.

Few men, at the outside half-a-dozen, have rung 800 peals, yet we record this week the 8ooth peal which the brothers William and Ernest P'ye have rung together !

Last Friday was the II2th anniversary of a peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Royal rung at Christ Church, Spitalfields, by a mixed band of Cumberland and College Youths. Only one peal in the method is supposed to have been rung previously. This was at Norwich, but no record of it is in existence.

Mr. York Green, of Stratford, writes: In your issue of January 17th (page 47) you publish in the article upon Originality of Compositions of Bob Royal and Major, a three-part peal of Major (5088) with H. Price's name attached to it. This peal belongs to me, and is published in the "Appendix" of 1895 , page 63. It was first rung at Bow, Middlesex, February Itth, 1895, conducted by H. Springall.

Referring to the $\stackrel{*}{\text { lines anent " }} \stackrel{*}{Y} e$ rascally ringers,' which we quoted last week, the Rev. A. Du B. Hill, of East Bridgford, writes: It may interest some of your readers to see the following French quatrain, expressing the same idea as those quoted by you from the " Staffordshire Advertiser " of I813:-

Persécuteurs du genre humain Qui sonnez sans misericorde, Que n'arez vous au cou la corde
Que vous tenez in votre main.
I have copied this frorı my "common-place book," where I entered it nearly , 40 years ago, with the appended note "Drabicius, 1618 ." This is a reference I cannot now verify, nor am I sure whether it refers to the verses quoted. But the French is probably the original, and we may take comfort that it was not originally aimed at English change ringers.

Successful district practices have been held during the past month by the Durham and Newcastle Association at South Shields and Jarrow, with decided benefit to a considerable number of the younger members. The methods rung were Plain Bob, Grandsire, Kent and Stedman.

Mr. G. R. Newton's reply to ${ }^{*}{ }^{*}$ itics of the Wallasey peal is unavoidably held over.

## SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY

The March meeting of tiris Society was held at Doncaster on Saturday, and proved very successful. About 30 ringers were present from Arksey, Bolsover, Doncaster, Rannoor, Rotherham Parish Church, Retford and Treeton. The fine peal of eight (tenor 30 cwt.) at the Parish Church of St. George, were raised about 4.15 p.m., and were kept going in Stedman Triples and Double Norwich Major till about 8 p p.m., with short intervals.- A short business meeting was held in the tower, presided over by Mr. G. Halksworth (Doncaster), president. Five new members were elected-Rev. A. R. James (Arksey), Messrs. W. Froggatt, W. Bunting and L. Brightman (Rotherham Parish), and Mr. A. Whitworth (Trecton)-A hearty vote of thanks to Canon Sandford for granting the use of the bells, and to the local company for making all arrangements, was carried unanimously.-Mr. G. Halksworth suitably replied.

## SALISBURY GUILD'S PRESIDENT DEAD.

Owing to the death on February 25th of Lord Nelson, of Trafalgar House, near Salisbury, who since the foundation of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild in 1882 has been the much respected president, and who was buried at Standlync' Church, near Salisbury, on Saturday last, the bells of St. James', Southbroom, and those of St. John the Baptist, Devizes, were rung muffled on Saturday evening, while at the request of Mr. H. Brownlec West, the hon. secretary of the Devizes branch, muffled peals were also rung on the bells at all the towers within the area of the Devizes Branch-between 20 and 30 -as a token of respect to the late earl.

## CHELMSFORD BELLS.

To the EXlitor:
Sir,-Having read the letter signed "Veritas," which term, to my mind, is quite descriptive, I should like to say I heartily endorse every word this ringer has written, and moreover his opinion is supported by many members with whom I have discussed this topic, all of whom are of one mind, that these accumulated funds might be applied to a more useful and practical purpose. Personally, I think the majority of ringers are in no way indebted to the Church, but rather the reverse. In reply to Mr. Cooper's statement, that "Veritas" is a ringer who las nothing to say at a meeting, but makes his complaints to a small number of outsiders, this I may say is purely an "hypothetical assumption," and may be instantly dismissed. I have attended several as sociation meetings at whioh "Veritas " has openly expressed his opinion on certain topics under discussion in no uncertain tone. In conclusion, I should like to say "Veritas" may have a multiplicity of reasons for adopting a nom-de-plume, as I myself have. NEMO.

## SPLICING MINOR METHODS. <br> To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-The following are the two Plain Imperial Minor methods which were omitted from the C.C. Collection.


They were rung (and provisionally named) at All Saints', Childwall, on February 28th, spliced to St. Clements and College Single. A "Parkerian " eplice is necessary, as the in-and-out-of.course of the changes does not allow of a "Jacobian" splice. Below are the 720 's, one ro does not allow of a Jacobian spice. Bethed.
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To get the methods equally divided it would be necessary to select another group of six leads, which would not occur in the same place in each part.-Yours faithfully,
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## HONOURING A GRAND OLD MAN.

As reported in another column, eight members of the Devon Guild met at the Dockyard Chapel, at Devonport, on March 1st to ring a peal of Stedman Triples in honour of the birthday of that grand old veteran ringer, Mr. ${ }^{-}$Wm. Banister, and it will be seen that their efforts were crowned with success. Mr. Banister, who is 89 years old, resides at Fulham, London, with his relatives, and still writes a splendid letter, the handwriting and composition being superb. 11e was born on Fob. 29th, and thus only gets a real birthday every fourth year.
He came of a great ringing family from woolwich to Devon to take up an appointment at Devonport Dockyard, and laboured long and earnestly in the cause of change ringing in Deron. He was instrumental, together with the late Col. Troyte and others, in the formation of the Devonshire Guild, and it was he who got two trebles added to the then six at the Dockyard Chapel. He wrote a valuable book on change ringing, and went $u p$ and down the county and the adjacent county of Cornwall, giving advice, ringing peals, and with a splendid chromatic peal of 60 handbells, together with a band whom he had taught, gave concerts, and secured large sums of money for charitable purposes.
fie conducted the first peal rung on Charles bells, Plymouth (by all local men in 1877, and the first peal in West of Lingland at the Dockyard in 1868. Nearly' 30 years ago he was ordered by doctor to give up ringing, which was a serious loss to the ringing world. Of his achievements with his own brothers before coming to Devonport, abler pens than mine can tell. They were simply marvellcus. But we who still keep the thing moving in the Three Towns feel that we owe him much. The late Col. Troyte also personally paid him that compliment in his book. We read of him at the last Central Council meeting, and the honour then shown him. May he be yet spared to us for many years.

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## NEW PEAL OF EIGHT IN SURREY.

## SUCCESSFUL EXPERIMENT WITH GLaSS SCREENS.

North-west Surrey has just acquired another peal of eight bells, which have been put into the tower of St. Marys, Oatlands, a residential district lying not far from the banks of the Thames. The church has been built for many years, but hitherto, one ting-tang has sufficed as a call to the worchippers, although the fine square tower, standing up boldly, seemed a particulariy inviting structure for a ring of bells. The scheme for putting up the peal has now been successfully carried out, the ohurch authorities having secured the musical octave which Messrs. Warner and Son, of the Spitalfields Foundry, had on exhibition at the Crystal Palace Festival of Empire. The peal are a set of admirable castings, and in tone leave nothing to be desired, the trebles being a particularly good feature. The tenor is 12 cwt. in $G$, and the total weight is 52 cwt. Each bell bears the name of the founders and the inscription: "Cast in the first year of the reign of King George V, 1911.

As we intimated in our last issue, an experiment has been made in closing up the apertures in the tower with glass screens, instead of interfering with the architectural appearance by crecting unsightly lourres. What has been used is known as "armoured" glass, which is bedded in lead and let into oak panelling, and the success of the cxperiment is unquestionable. Standing beneath tho tower the sound of the bells was splendidly deadened, yet every one in the peal conld be lreard. While thas successfully filling the main purpose of the experiment, the glass has other advantages, for while softening the sound and keeping out the weather, is affords plenty of light in the bell chamber, a place where, as a rule, light has been a last consicleration.


## Oatlands' Church, Sorrey

The dedication of the bells took place on Sunday morning at the ordinary service, for which the old single bell that has been used for many years, was rung. When it ceased, the processional hymn, "We love the place, O God,' was sung while the clergy and choir passed on their way to the foot of the tower. At a given signal the bells were chimed in rounds and changes, together with two verses of the processional hymn by Mr. W. Shepherd, of Hersham. The new peal was rung for the thanksgiving service, which took place in the afternoon, the first towch being a 312 Stedman Triples by: A. F. Shepherd 1, W'. Shepherd (conductor) 2, F. J. Shepherd 3, W. A. Woodrow 4, O. J. Hamblin 5, F. Shepherd 6, E. J. Harding 7, J. Emery 8. Afterwards, two touches of Grandsire were brought round, conducted by F. J. shepherd and G. Woodiss respectively. Nearly all the ringers attended service, after which 192 Double Norwich and 84 Stedman Triples were brought round, both conducted by W. Shepherd. At the tea, which was kindly provided by the Rev. J. H. Townsend, some 16 or 17 sat down, and after the thanks of the company had been ably voiced by Mr. F. Shepherd, senr., a move was made for the tower to ring for - byening service. A 224 of Bob Major, conducted by F. White, was brought round, folloved by three courses of Stedman Triples conductrad by W. Shepherd, after which the bells were lowered in peal.
Many were the visitors to the belfry and bells at various times during the day. Tho bell founders were represented by Messrs. Robert and Andrew Warner. Mr. Duncan F. Christy, and four of the foundry band. Ringers were also present during the day from Ashtead, Ewell, Twickenham, Kingston; Chertsey, Walton, Woking, Portsmouth and Hersham.

## MEMORIAL PEAL BOARD.

Before the peal at I'yldesley, Lancs, last Saturday, a board was unveiled recording a peal of Bob Major rung in memory of the late Mr. James Allred, who was for 46 years tower keeper at the above church. The ceremony was performed by the curate (the Rev. H. Stones). After the peal the ringers were entertained to supper by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allred, who were heartily thanked for their hospitality.

## THE SILENT PEAL OF CINQUES. A FIANDBELL PERFORMANCE RECALLED. <br> To the Editor.

Sir,-While congratulating the band of College Youths on the nonconducted peal of Stedman Cinques at Cornhill, I beg to point out that by a curious coincidence we peal was rung on the amiversary (10 years) of the previous peal of silent Stedman Cinques, which was rung "in hand " here at Leicester. In ten years many ringers come and many go " to that bourne," and it may interest those who have como on the scene since that time to reproduce the record.

On Saturday, Feb. 23id, 1903, in 3 hrs. 15 mins., on handbells (retained in hand) at the King and Crown, Lecester, a peal of Stedman Cinques ( 5006 changes): John O. Lancashire 1-2, George Cleal 3-4, Samuel Cotton 5-6, William Willson 7-8, John Buttery 9-10, Alfred Millis $11-12$, composed by J. O. Lancashire and rung non-conducted First silent peal of Stedman Cinques ever rung. This band has now rung the cxtent of Stedman system, from Triples to Cinques, all silent. Umpires: S. Cooper, C. Fowler, F. Dexter. J. Marlow, J. Wilson.'’
Out of the above band, Messrs. Cooper, Marlow and Millis have gone to rest; Mr. G. Cleal is in Ireland; Mir. S. Buttery is appronching the "sero and yellow leaf," but the record stands as the only, silent peal of Cinques ever rung "in hand."-Yours
Leicester.
WILLIAM WILLSON.

## MITCHAM RTNGERS' DINNER.

## A SUCCESSFUL SOCIETY

Although need for proper light and ventilation in their dinging chamber is still desirable, the Mitcham Socicty continue to progress and show their eamest desire to advance the interests of change ringing, and the proper recognition of ringers. Ihis is, no doubt, due to perseverance, constant practice, and with a genuine effort to assist others in that direction. At their annual dinner, served by IIost Bance in his usual admirable mamer, Mr. J. D. Drewett presided, and was supported by Dr. A. B. Carpenter, the Master of the Surrey Association, and others, about 32 being present, representative of the towers in the adjoining districts of Ashtead, Beddington, Croydon, Carshalton, Ewell, Sutton, ete., and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

The Mitcham Society was founded in 1832, and now consists of 13 ringing and 15 honorary members, and $\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{r}}$. Carpenter, in proposing the toast of "The Mitcham Society," spoke in encouraging terms to the ringers, and with other speakers paid a warm tribute to their work which has resulted so successfully.-Mr. F. Holder (Carshalton), in reply to the toast of "The Visitors," said how fortunate the Mitcham Society were to have such an energetic man as the chairman to manage the affairs of the society. His never-failing courtesy and hearty welcome were one of the many pleasant features of a visit to Mitcham tower.
Songe and recitations were contributed by Dr. Carpenter, Messrs. Holder, Gordon, Bance, Ely, Brown, Welling, Copley, the Claairman, and Miss Bance. the last-named also kindly assisting with her valuable musical ability.

## OXFORD GUILD.

## NORTH BUCKS BRANCII AND THE ANNUAL FESTIVAL.

The quarterly meeting of the North Bucks Branch was held at Stony Stratford, on Saturday.-'The Rev. J. R. Vincent, President of the Branch, was in the chair, supported by the Master of the Guild (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn), and the Vicar (the Rev. II. Last) and 64 ringers from Emberton, Olney, Old Wolverton, Thornborough, Shenley, Calverton, Newport Pagnell, Stony Stratford. Padbury, Milton Keynes, Sherington, Maids Moreton, Linslade, and Bletchley.

The resolution by the Rev. F. W. Bennitt, Rector of Bletchley, "that the question of the holding of the annual meeting of the Oxford Diocesan Guild at Oxford each year instead of as at present at different centres each year be fully discussed by the branch at this meeting," was considered, and it was agreed by a large majority to instruct the branch representatives to support this course at the next cammilteo meeting of the Guild, the Master having promised to introduce the matter.
Mr. Fिarry Sear (Bletchley) proposed, and Mr. George Clarke (Shenley) seconded, "that in view of the extra expense which would be incurred by holding the annual festival at Oxford this branch is of opinion that the refund of 1s. to members attending the dinner be stopped."This was also carricd by a large majority.
On the motion of the Rev. J. R. Vincent, sconded by Mr. V. Sear (Bletchley), a vore of thanks was accorded to the Rev. H. Last for his hospitality that day, and to the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn for his very excellent address at the service which had been previously held.

## BELL RESTORATION IN KENT.

## TWO PEALS OF FIVE REHUNG.

Mr. Alfred Bowell, of the Wykes Bishop Street Bell Foundry, Ispwich, is having a very busy time in Kent, having just completed the restoration of rings of five at wandhurst and Warehorne, and is now relanging a peal of six at Yalding.
Thanks to the excellent judgment of our forefathers in using massive timber, the frames in both towers will last for many years to come, and in each case it was only necessary to brace the bell cages slightly, thereby making them practically as firm as a new frame, and saving additional expense.

It seems evident that it was intended in bygone years to have six bells in both towers, for an extra pit exists in each bell chamber, and as contributions have poured in freely, it has been decided to add a now treble at Sandhurst at no distant date.

At both places the frames have been rearranged, and the ropes now fall in much more convenient positions. Steel headstocks, new clappers, greaso boxes, wheels, and all the latest fittings were included in the contracts, while at Sandhurst neat guides have been fitted. Quarter turning was necessary for each peal, and the crowns havo been done away with.
As regards the history of the peals, Sandhurst dates much farther back. The fourth is an old "black letter" or Pre-Reformation beli, and was cast between 1450 and 1500 . It weighs 10 cwts . The tenor $\left(12 \frac{3}{4}\right.$ cwts.), the second ( 7 cwts .), and the treble ( 6 cwts .0 qrs. 14 lbs. ), were cast by Joseph Hatch in 1619, and the third ( 9 cwts. I qr. 7 lbs .) which Mr. Bowell has recast, was originally made by William Hull in 1678.
On Thursday evening in last week, members of the Kent Association journeyed to Sandhurst to inspect the work and test the bells. They were received by Mr. Bowell, and Grandsire, Plain Bob and Stedman Doubles were rung by Messrs. C. Tribe (Tenterden), G. Billenness (Rye), W. H. Lambert (Benenden), A. Blackman and F. Underdown (Rolvenden), T. Ashenden (Hawkhurst), and A. Bowell and H. Welham (Ipswich).
On the following evening, a scrutiny took place at Warehorne. The local ringers were present, and Grandsire and Bob Doubles were rung by Messrs. C. W. Slayer (Stone), G. Johnston (Appledore), A. Bowell (Ipswich), A. O. Kay (Ashford), G. Billenness, P. F. Giles and D. Martin (Rye), and -. Barman (Woodchurch), while other Woodchurch ringers and the Warehorne band had some round ringing.
The bells, founded by John Waylett in 1721, weigh as follows: Treble, 4 cwt. 3 qrs.; second, 5 cwt. 2 qre. 8 lbs. ; third, 6 cwt. 2 qrs. 12 lhs.; fourth, 7 cwt. 3 qrs. 12 libs.; tenor, 9 cwt. 2 qrs. 8 lbs. Mr. Bowell has recast the third and fourth. and the ringers expressed their absolute satisfaction with the "go" of the bells at both places, and also highly praised the neatness of the workmanship.
On Monday evening, the Bishop of Croydon dedicated the Sandhurst poal, and on the afternoon of the same day, the dedication at Warehorne was performed by the Rural Dean, the Rev. P. H. Collins, Rector of Lydd. At each church the local ringers had charge of the ringing

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday week, the annual meeting of the Bedford District was held at Sharnbrook, and a goodly number attended to take advantage of the splentid welcome offered by the incumbent (the Rev. Edwards), and the local company. Not only in-county members, but a number of Northamptonshire friends attended to share the pleasures of the meeting, and cement the cordial friendship that exists between the two societies. The bells were fully utilised, and were turned in to a varicty of methods, a number of ringers receiving further tuition in methods they had not practised to any appreciable extent.

An excellent tea was enjoyed, and was followed by the business meeting. -The Hon. Secretary (Mr. J. W. Barker) presented the report and balance shcet. Circumstances might have militated against the success of the meetings, he said, but, notwithstanding, the majority had been highly successful. The numbers that had attended had been very satisfactory. and the methods ming were on o higher plane than at any other period. The financial side also proved satisfactory, there boing a substantial balance in hand.
It was thought advisable, at the election of offioers, that the office of president chould not be a permanency. but should be conferred each year on a different incumbent that took an enthusiastic interest in ringers, and subsequently the Rev. C. W. Browning, Bromham, was elected to that office. Miss Evelyn Steel was again electod vice-president, and Mr. J. IV. Barker, hon. secretary for the ensuing year.It was decided to hold the next monthly meeting at Renhold.
Mr. G. Ette, Wellingboro' addressed the meeting on a subject that has beer much discussed privately among country ringers, viz., the affiliation of socinties for the purpose of allowing affiliated members to ring peals with other societies. Much could be said for and against the idea. He considered that it would be advantageous to the ringing community, especially to the poorer members. A small sum could be paid each year, individually by the members or, collectively by the societies, into a central fond, the fund to be controlled by the Central Council or any such similar body. His remarks were received with sympathy by tho ringers present.
A vote of thanks to the Rev. B. C. Edwards concluded the business.

## RINGING BY DIAGRAM.

The figures at the side show the starting place of eachs bell; the small lines intersecting the diagram mark the place where the treble crosses the path of the working bell; and the asterisks the place where the working bell dodges with the treble.


THE BOB WORK.
Killamarsh: A. Dodge, instead of lying a whole pull, and take up work of 5 th. B. Dodge, instead of going down to $4^{\text {th's }}$, and take up work of 6th. C. Make 4 th's. place and take up work of the 4 th (as in Kent Treble Bob.)

Sandiacre: 1. Run in after 3 rd's, and take up work of 2nd. E. Make $4^{\text {th }}$ and take up work of 4 th. F. Run out and take up work of 3 rd.

The figures of a lead of the above methods only differ in the back-strole lead of the treble.

## PEAL AT BECCLES.

Recorded in another column is a peal of Grandsire Caters at Beccles. It was rung in thon of a Confirmation service, which was to take place on March 5th, and also as a welcome to the Bishop of Thetford, who was to administer the rite, March 1st being the nearest available date for the peal attempt. The ringers wish to thank the Rector for the use of the bells, and Mr. R. Rush, the stocplekeeper, for having everything ready. Mr. H. Barton hails from Southwold, Mr. W. H. Fussell fiom Slough, Mr. E. F. Poppy from Eye, Mr. D. Hayward from Great Yarmonth. and Mr. F. C. Lambert from Halesworth. The rest belong to the St. Michael's company, and it is 60 years since five members of the local band took part in a peal on ten bells in their tower.

## NOTICES.

THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIA-TION.-A quarterly meeting of the above Association will be held at Blakesley on Saturday, March 8th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock, followed by short business meeting.-J. Slarke, Brackley Road, Towcester.
the lancashire association. - Rochdale Branch.-The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Todmorden Parish Church on Saturday, March Sth. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 7 o'clock. All ringers welcome. The committee meet at Todmorden on the same day. - J. H. Bastow, Branch Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch. The half-yearly meeting of the above will be held at the church of St. Thomas, Milnthorpe, by kind permission of the Vicar, on Saturday, March 8th, 1913. Bells (six) available from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Meeting at 5 p.m. Short service in the church at 7 p.m.-W. Robinson, Honorary Secretary.
the society of royal cumberland YOUTHS. -The next practice will take place at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on Saturday, the 8th inst. Tower open from 3 to 5 o'clock. There will also be ringing for service on Easter Day and the first Sunday in every month at io o'clock.-F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary.
LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD. - The next meeting of the Guild will be held at St. Nicholas', Liverpool, on Saturday, March 15th. Full particulars by cir-cular.-Rev. W. T. Bulpit and W. Bentham, Honorary Secretaries.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, established 1824) Northern District.-The next meeting will be held on March 15th, at St. Mary's, Walthamstow. Tower open for ringing from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Business meeting to follow. All cordially invited. -J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7d, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's Church, Bolton, on Saturday, March 15 th, at 6 o'clock; business meeting, 7.30 .-G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester District.-The half-yearly meeting will be held at Tunstall, near Sittingbourne, on Saturday, March I 5 th. Tower open at 3.30 . Short service at 5 p.m. Meeting following immediately after light refreshments, which will be provided for those sending their names by Wednesday, March 12th.-Edward A. G. Allen, Honorary Secretary, 77, Bill Street Road, Frindsbury, Rochester.
ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY, SHEF-FIELD.-The next meeting of this society will be held at Norton on Saturday, March I5th, r9r3. Tower open at 4 p.m.-J. Evinson, 9I, Clarence Street, Sheffield.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch.-The next branch meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Ramsbottom, on Saturday, March 15 th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6 o'clock.-J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 3I, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom. THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ).-Meetings for practice will Te held at St. John's, Hackney, on March 18th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 13 th and 27 th;

St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 18th; Southwark Cathedral on the 25 th; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays; St. Magnus at 7.30 , the others at 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - The thirty-first annual meeting will be held at Leicester on Easter Monday, March 24th. The bells at St. Margaret's, St. Martin's, St. Mark's and St. John's wiil be available for ringing from $10.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Committee meeting at 3 o'clock in the High Cross Coffee House, followed by tea (is. each) and general mecting at 4 o'clock. Will those who intend taking tea kindly notify Mr. T. H. Hardy, 3 , Wright Street, St. Peter's Lane, by March zoth at the latest. The towers will be closed during the tea and meet-ing.-W. E. White, Honorary Secretary.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-The annual meeting will be held at Stourbridge on Easter Monday, March 24th. Service, with address by the Rev. Stanhope Newland, Vicar, in St. Thomas' Church at i. 45 prompt. General meeting in the Foresters' Hall, High Street, at 2.30. Bells available: St. Thomas (8), Oldswinford (8) and Wollaston (6). Tea will be provided for those who notify me by Wednesday, March rath. Subscriptions should be paid to the branch secretaries and reports obtained in a room near the church between 12 and I . The peal book will also be on view there.-J. R. Newman, Honorary Secretary, Bransford, Worcester.
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-The annual meeting will be held at Walsall on Easter Monday. Bells available: St. Matthew's (io) and Rushall (6) from ir a.m. Rushall tower penny tram from The Bridge. Short service at St. Matthew's at 4. Tea at 4.30 in Masonic Hall, High Street, is. each. General meeting to follow. Kindly send word not later than Tuesday, the 18th inst., to H. Knight, Honorary Secretary, i5, Rughy Street, Wolverhampton.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday, March 24th, 1913. Towers open at 2 p.m.: St. Peter's (ro), Cathedral (8), St. Stephen's (6), St. Michael's (6). Ringing can be had upon the peals of six earlier in the day by communicating direct to respective conductors. Service in the Cathedral (choral) 5 p.m., with short address by the Rev. Canon Lord William Gascoigne Cecil, Rector of Hatfield. Tea and business meeting in the Abbev Institute adjoining, immediately after service, for election of officers and other business. Secretaries are asked to communicate the probable number of their band attending by first post on Easter Monday to enable satisfactory tea arrangements to be made. Meat tea 6d. each to members; other ringers, who will be heartily welcomed, is. 3d. each. -G. W. Cartmel, Honorary Secretary, Duffield, St. Albans.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North Eastern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Colchester on Easter Monday. The bells of St. Peter (8), which have recently been re-cast, and All Saints (5), will be available from II o'clock till 7. Tea $1 /$ - each, followed by meeting, will be held in Parish Room adjoining St. Peter's, at $4 \cdot 30$. I wish to remind those intending being present the necessity of giving notice not later than the 2oth, as tea will only be ordered for number sending notice.-A. Shufflebotham, District Secretary, Sandpit Road, Braintree.

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Bangor on Easter Monday. Business meeting at $2.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the schoolroom. Bells available all day. All ringers welcome.- H . Moore, junr., Honorary Secretary, P'entrefelin, Wrexham.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual general mecting will be held at St. John the Baptist's, Hillingdon, on Saturday, March 29th. Full particulars will be announced later.-C. T. Coles, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow, and H. C. Chandler, Church Road, Heston, Honorary Secretaries.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -A branch meeting will be held at Rishton on Saturday, March 29th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.--The committee will meet at Oxford on Saturday, April 5th. "Motions" for the agenda must be sent to me not later than Saturday, March isth.-Alibert E. Reeves, Secretary, 5, Fatherson Road, Reading.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.-In consequence of the Honorary Secretary being in hospital suffering from severe burns, the annual meeting is postponed. Further notice will be given when the date is fixed.-S. Spittle, Ringing Master, 6, Great Hill, Dudley.
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WITNEY, OXON. The Oxford Diocesan Guild-At St Marys Church, on Sunday, Feb. 2nd, for evening service, 504 Grandsire Iriples: H. E. Long 1, C. R. Walker 2, E. Brown 3, A. E. Brooks 4, T. Bull 5. J. Monk (conductor) 6, J. Brooks 7, G. Brooks 8 .

ARDLEIGH, ESSEX.-On Sunday, February 2nd, a quarter-peal of Kent Troble Bob Major (1152 changes) : A. Bacon 1, H. T. Pye 2. H. Bacon 3. W. Fenner (first quarter-peal in the method) 4, E. Merchant 5, H. Evers 6, G. Potley 7, W. J. Schofield (conductor) 8. Messrr Pye, Evers and Schofield belong to Colchester.

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Tenor (33 cwt.) of the New Ring of 12.
WULERUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON,
MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON. 4th March, 1912. Gentlemen.

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

I am authoriscd by the Rector aud Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kiugdom. Yours faithfully, F. T. BLCK,

Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

## OUR SECOND YEAR.

With this issue we complete the second year of our existence, and we may, perhaps, be pardoned if we pause to review the past, which has been for us a period of very considerable satisfaction, and for our readers, we hope, a time during which they have found their interests efficiently served. Throughout these two years we have done our best to meet the desires of the Exercise in recording its successes and in circulating its news. Only the limitations of space have prevented us doing even more in this direction than has been accomplished, for there has never been any lack of material. Needless to say that, to our many correspondents up and down the country, we are duly thankful for the way they keep us informed of the happenings in ringing circles, although, as we recently took the opportunity of pointing out, there are times when we wish that so many of them would not leave their communications until we are on the point of going to press.

The question of space is one which has seriously perturbed us, for we are fully aware that those who are kind enough to send in reports do not like to see their handiwork ' cut down,'" to use a journalistic expression. We always make the fullest endeavour to use what is so willingly contributed, but if there are those who sometimes think that the editorial pencil has been rather severely used, we would only say to them that we have within the limits of our space to provide for all, and that sometimes curtailed reports are necessary in order to cover the whole of the ground. But this is really by the way, and was not what we started out to say.

We believe "' The Ringing World "' has served and is serving a useful purpose, and, above all, has a useful future before it. It has stimulated interest in the Art, and, indirectly, we are egotistical enough to think, has been one of the causes that has led to the recent great impetus in peal ringing. We have always encouraged the practice of the Art from its highest standpoint--that of service to the Church-and in this direction we shall continue to do our best to advance its interests. That we have justified our existence is manifested by the continued and increasing support which is given to our efforts. A speaker at the recent Birmingham dinner, said, with truth: "It is better to have high ideals and fall short of them, than to have no ideals at all." We have ideals before us, which in the coming year we shall strive to reach. If we fail it shall not be for want of effort. To those who have supported us in the past we return our gratitude, and we trust that in the future we shall do nothing to forfeit their esteem.

## CHARLES CARR,



Broomfeld Yicarage. Chelmsford

Dear Sirs,
I have great pleasure in stating that we are perfectly satisfled with the manner in which you have carried out the work entrusted to $y e 0$ of re-arranging and re-hanging the Broomfleld Church Bells.

We consider that the work reHeets great credit upon your firm, and believe that your aystem of banging the bells reduces the vibratien of the ateel frame supplied by yon to a minimum.
The CHURCHWARDENS unite wity ME in this expression of oplyion. The BELLLRINGERS are also unanimons in their praise of the alterations effected by you.

Yours truly,
CHAS. EDMUNDS, Vicar of Broomfield. Bearg. C. CARR, LTD.

Smethwick.
Kindly ask ns to Inspect, Report ard Tender before deciding your Contract, - we may be able to askist you.

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At the Church of St. Michael, Cornhill,
a PEAL 0F Stedman Clngues, 5019 Ghanges;

| Redben Sanders | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ Tireble | Cornelius Charge... | $\ldots$ | 7 |  |
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| George R. Pye ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | John H. Cheesman | $\ldots$ | 8 |
| Ernest Pye... $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | James E. Davis | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |

IISWICH, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH. Or Saturday, March 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary-le-Tower,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5136 GHANGES;
Tenor 32 cwt.
William Motts ... ...Treble Charles A. Catchpole... 7 William P. Garrett ... 2 John C. G. Haggar ... 8 *William H. Fussell ... 3 Robert H. Brondle ... 9 Robert H. Hayward ... 4 Edward Evans... ... ... 10 Edgar Pemberton ... ... 5 Ernest F. Poppy . ... it *Harry Barton... ... ... 6 James Motts ... ... ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by James Motts.

* First peal of Kent Treble Bob Maximus. By kind permission of Canon W. Melville Pigot, Vicar of the Church of St. Mary-le-Tower this peal was arranged and rung to commemorate the 85th birthday of Mrs. Harriett Motts, mother of the treble and tenor ringers; also to oblige W. H. Fussell of Slough, Robert H. Hayward of, Marlesford, Harry Barton of Southwold, and Ernest F. Poppy, of Eye, Suffolk.


## TEN BELL PEAL.

WEST HAM, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, March 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

## LONDON. <br> THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB KOYAL, 5080 CHANGES; Tenor 28 cwt., in D .
William H. Doran ... ...Tyeble Roeben Sanders ... ... 6 Augustus Scambler... ... 2 Frank C. Newman... ... 7 William H. Theobald ... 3 John Moule ... ... ... 8 James Scholes ... ... ... 4 George Hayden ... ... 9 William Truss ... ... ... 5 Henry Torble... ... ...Tenor

Composed by York Green, and Conducted by William H. Doran.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

QUIDENHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 1, 1913, in Two Hou's and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGE8;

Tenor 15 cwt . o qr. 14 lbs .
*Sidney Goskin... ... ...Treble Alfred Newson ... ... 5 Frederick A. Poulson... 2 W William Mears... Frederick Salter ... ... 3 Frederick C. Burrows... 7 *Oliver Bullman ... ... 4 Charles Carter ... ... Tenor Conducted by F. C. Morrows.

## HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSUCIATION. On Monday, March 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Thurstans' Four-Part
Tenor $19 \frac{3}{\frac{3}{x}} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Robert H. Hayward ...Tyeble Wilelam H. Fussell ... 5
William Wightman... ... 2 Harry Barton... ... ... 6 George Whiting ... ... 3 George Wightman... ... 7 Peter Laflin ... ... ... 4 George Perry... ... ...Tenor Conducted by George Wightman.

## LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION On Tuesduy, March 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicholas, Deptford, S.E.,

## n PEAL GF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CAANGES;

Holt's Original.
Tenor 20 cwt . I qr. 2 lbs . * Henry C. Kiln... ... ...Tyeble William Weatherstone 2 Thomas G. Deal ... ... 3 William J. Jeffries ... 7 Thomas H. Hawkins George H. Daynes $\begin{array}{ll}\text {.. } & 5 \\ \text {.. } & 6\end{array}$ Frederick W. Richardson 4 Frederick H. Gooch ...Teno Conducted by George H. Daynes.

* First peal


## GUILDFORD, SURREX.

TIE WINCIESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Guildford District.)
On Tuesday, March 4, 1913, in Three Hou's and Seventeen Minutes, At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF STEDWAN TRIPLES; 5040 CHANGES;

Thorstans Fonr-Part. Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lbs., in D. Henry Hutton ... ...Tveble Thomas Mack ... ... ... 5 *Robert Whittington ... 2 Frederick Bennett ... 6 Septimos Radford ... ... 3 Frank Blondell ... ... 7 Charles Edivards ... ... 4 Alfred H. Pulling ... Teno Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling

* First peal of Stedman. This was the conductor's 50th peal of Stedman on tower bells. R. Whittington hails from Ewhurst, C. Fdwards from Farnham, T. Mack from Haslemere, F. Bennett from Clandon, S. Radford and F. Blondell belong to S. Nicolas', and H. Mutton and A. H. Pulling to the Holy Trinity Socipty, Guildford.


## LONDON.

THE MIDDLFSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULID.
On IVednesday, March 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Cifurch of St. John, Waterloo Road, S.E.,

A PEAL OF DUFFIELD MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 20 cwt .
William Hewett $\begin{array}{cc}\text {...Treble } \\ . . . & 2\end{array}$ Edinin F. Pike ... Alfred W. Grimes ... … ... Composed by H. Dains, and Conducted by James E. Davis.
First peal of Duffield Major by all the band, first peal by the Association and the first on the bells; also the second peal in the method ever rung in London.

WHITBY, YORKSHIRE
THE CLEVEI AND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, March 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANCES;

Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
George Wellborn ... ...Treble| William Knaggs Frank S. Hongson ... .... 2 George F. Alexander... 5
6
 William Harland ......$\quad 4$ | John W. Lowther... .... Tenor Composed by Cornelius Charge, and Conducted by G. F. Alexander.
Rung on the occasion of a Confirmation Service held by the Lord Bishop of Beverley, at the Church of St. Hilda, Whitby. The bells of St. Stephen's, Fylingdales, were also rung on the following Friday evening for a similar service conducted by the Lord Bislbop of Beverlley, several of the above ringers assisling.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIUN
On Thursday, March 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Church gf St. Mary,

- FEAL OF COUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB :


## Wirciam Tenor 8 cwt I qr. 20 lbs .

| Wileiam Steele .... | Treble | Albert G. Warnes | .. | 5 |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| ${ }^{\text {Whelam }}$ W. Hempel | $\ldots$ | 2 | George H. Cross ... | ... |
| 6 |  |  |  |  | Alfred Funnell ... ... 3 Frank R. Copeman ... 7 George Jlowchin ... ... 4 Frederick J. Howchin ...Tenor Composed by J. A. Gofion, and Conducted by William Steele.

* First peal in the method with a bob bell.

CIRENCESTER, GLOS.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, March 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,
At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 29 cwt., in $D$.
Francis J. Lewis ... ...Tieble Charles E. Bartlett ... 5
J. Charles Eden ... ... 2 H. Tom Gardner ... ... 6 Charles Beech... ... ... 3 John J. Jefferies ... ... 7 H. Charles Bond ... ... 4 Wilfred G. Cook ... ...Tenor Conducted by Francis J. Lewis.
Rung, with the bells half-muffled, as a last tribute of respect to the late Mr. D. G. Bingham, who, by his many generous gifts to the town, is best described as Cirencester's munificent benefactor. Ikung after meeting short for Caters.

## LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Murch 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary, Lewisham,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRiPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

J. J. Parker's Six-Part No. i.

Treble *Wirtiay Tenor $22 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt. Weatherstone *Gerald King ... ... ... 3 Harry Warnett, Senr.... 7 Charles H. Walker $\cdots \frac{4}{}$ †Herbert G. Goodwin ... Tenor Conducted by Harry Varnett, Sent.

* First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal. This peal was rung on the occasion of the soth anniversary of Queen Alexandra's landing in England.


## NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, March 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicolas,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
George Williams ... ...Tyeble William T. Tucker... ... 2 Henry W. Wilkes ... ... 3 William G. Edwards

Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. 26 lbs.
Alan R. Macdonald ... 5
Charles J. Fray ... ... 6
William H. George ... 7
Owen H. Giles ... ...Tenor
Conducted by William H. George.
Rung as a birthday compliment to W. H. George, A. R. MacDonald and Mrs. C. J. Fray.

## ROMFORD, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND I.ONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, March 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Edward,
a PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;
Tenor 17 cwt.
Alfred Pye ... ... ...Treble | George H. Jaye ... ... 5
*Arthur C. Chaplin ... 2 Harry F. Dawkins ... 6

- Ernest J. Butler ... ... 3 | Wesley Watson ... ... 7
 Composed by F. A. Holden, and Conducted by George R. Pye.
* First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells by a local company.


## LINDFIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, March S, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 21急 cwt.
$\begin{array}{lcccccccc}\text { George Tomsett } & \ldots & \ldots \text { Tyeble } & \text { Frederick Protherough } & 5 \\ \text { Oliver Sippets... } & \ldots & \ldots & 2 & \text { Alfred Tomsett } & \ldots & \ldots & 6 \\ \text { Richard Holder } & \ldots & \ldots & 3 & \text { Albert D. Stone } & \ldots & \ldots & 7 \\ \text { Herbert Tomsett } & \ldots & \ldots & 4 & \text { Keith Hart } & \ldots & \ldots & . . . & . . . T c h o r ~\end{array}$ $\begin{aligned} & \text { Herbert Tomsett } \ldots \\ & \text { Composed by John Carter, and }\end{aligned}$ Conducted by Keith Hart.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## HUGHENDON, BUCKS

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, March S, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.


## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-cight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary, Rotherhithe,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Holt's Original.
 Conducted by William J. Jeffries.

* First peal away from the tenor.

HALEWOOD, LANCASHIRE THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, March 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-cight8Minutes, at the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Heywood's Variation.

Edwin Breeze...

| $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ Treble |  |  |
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| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 |  |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 4 | + |
|  |  |  |  |

- John Wilkinson

Henry Fyles ...
Thomas Jennion

Tenor irz cwt.
J. Frank Smallwood
George Woodhall...
Ge
6 Edward Cadnce ... ... 7
 †Fred Crosb
E. Cadnce.

## HERTFORD.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes. At the Church of St. Andrew.
a Peal of kent treble bob major, 5088 changes; Tenor 16 cwt.

Composed by C. H. Hattersley, and Conducted by E. Whitbread.
*First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First on an inside bell. This is believed to be the first peal in the method on the bells, and is the first since they were overhauled by Messrs. Gray, of Hertford.

## LIVERSEDGE, YORKS.

THE HALIFAX DISTRICT AND YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIONS.
On Saturday, March 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At Christ Church,
a peal of kent treble bob major, 5088 changes; Tenor is cwt., in F .
 Composed and Conducted by F. Robinson.

* First peal. After the peal the ringers were entertained to a sumptuous repast by Mr. Thorpe at the local ringers' headquarters.


## KEIGHLEY, YORKS.

 THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.On Saturday, March 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A Peal of grandsire triples, 5040 changes; Parker's Six-Part.

Tenor $14 \frac{3}{2}$ cwt.

| Herbert Green | ...Treble | Arthur R. Jones ... |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *John Edmondson | ... ... 2 | Robert W. Jennison |  |
| Sam Bateman ... | ... 3 | John McKell ... ... | ... |
| Thomas Bancroft | 4 | John Hall | ...Tenor |

*First peal of Grandsire. Rung as a welcome to the Bishop of Ripon, who came to hold a Confirmation Service.

MITCHAM, SURREY
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 8, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF Stedman triples, 5040 chahces ;
Dr. A. B. Carpenter's Variation. Tenor i6 cile., in F.
Joseph a. Lambert ...Treble $\mid$ Frank Holder... ... ... 5
James D. Drewett $\ldots . .2$
 *James W. Trappitt ... 4 Alfred J. Trappitt .... Tenon Conducted by Joseph A. Lambert.

* First peal of Stedman Triples and first attempt.

WHITBY, YORIKSHIRE.
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTII YORKSHIRE ASSOCTATION.
On Sunday, March 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

 | William Breckon | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | John I. Waters | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frank S. Hodgson | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Aldert Coates | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 7 |

 Conducted by Albert Coates.
Rung in honour of the peaceful settlement of the threateneal Railway Strike, which has thereby averted a national disaster.

DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, March 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
 BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, March 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor i4cwt.

Raymond Wood ... ... ...Tyeble | William Denyer ... ... 5 Percy H. Doick... ... ... 2 Alfred Greenfield ... 6 Robert Whittington ... 3 William Stamford ... 7 James Burdfield ..... .4 4 Harry J. Doick ... ...Tenor Conducted by A. Greenfield.

## PENDLETON, MANCHESTER. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Monday, March 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt.


## SIX $8^{3}$ FIVE BELL PEALS.

RODMERSHAM, IENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF MJNOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Single Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Frederick Brown ... ...Treble
$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { James Nye } & . . & . . & \ldots & \ldots & 2 \\ \text { William Spice } & . . & \ldots & \ldots & 3\end{array}$
Thomas Joll
William Wan $\quad \cdots \quad \cdots \quad 4$
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { William J. Walker } & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { William } & \text { Nye } & . . & . . . \\ \text {... Tenor }\end{array}$
Conducted by William Nye.

WROXHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, March 5, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Mary,
$A$ PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGES; Called in four different ways.

Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.


LAMBERHURST, KENT,
THE KENT COUNTY ÁSSOCIATION.
On Friday, March 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of St. Clement's Bob, Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.
John Bailey ... ... ...Tveb!e | Walter Marshall... ... 4 Andrew Marshall ... ... 2 Harry Price ...... George Foller ... ... ... 3 Albert Relfe... ... .... Tenor Conducted by Albert Relfe.
First peal in seven methods by the local band. Rung as a birthday compliment to G. Relfe, brother of the conductor. It was also rung on the 50th anniversary of Queen Alexandra's landing in England.

## GREAT MUNDEN, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sahurday, March 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Duke of York, New London Pleasure, Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Oxford Bob. Tenor II cwt.
Nathan Patmore ... ...Tioble Arthor Phillips ... ... 4 Arthur Woolston ... ... 2 Henry Wallace ... ... 5 William H. Lawrence ... 3 Barnard Patmore ... ...Tenor Conducted by Barnard Patmore.

## BARLEY.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 30 Six-scores of Grandsire and I2 of Plain Bob. Tenor 8丕cwt.
William Peachey ... ...Treble | Robert Howitard ... ... 3 Harry Howard... ... ... 2 Walter Mansfield ... 4 Rorert G. King ... Tenor Conducted by Robert Howard.
This peal was rung as a wedding compliment, and also as a farewell peal, to Harry Slater, one of the band, who is leaving the village for Barton, the band wishing him every happiness. First peal of Doubles by R. Gr. King, who hails from Royston, Herts.

PRESTON, SUFFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 8, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAHGES ;

Being three 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent, and two of Plain Bob. Tenor II cwt.
Victor Cornell ... ...Treble | William Dent... ... ... 4 Stedman H. Symonds.. $.2^{2}$ Harry Crick $\ldots$... Arthur Symonds ... ... 3 Wm. R. John Podlson...Tenor Conducted by S. H. Symonds.
V. Cornell hails from Waldingfield, and this was his first peal. First peal of Minor by W. Dent.

## SHARNBROOK, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Violet, College Pleasure, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. *William A. Norman ...Treble $\mid$ William Jacqoes ... ... 4 Herbert L. Harlow ... 2 Charles W. Clarke ... 5 Henry W. Gayton... ... 3 Pearl Inskip ... ... ...Tenoy Conducted by Charles W. Clarke.

* First peal in seven methods. This is the first peal of Treble Bob on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to H. L. Harlow.

GOLDHANGER, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. (The Maldon and District Guild.)
On Mondas', March 10, 1913. in Two How's and Forty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, New London Pleasure, Lonclon Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford. Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt
John D. Buckingham Fred Chalk ... ... ... 2 Charles J. Mann ... ... 5 Horace J. Mansfield ... 3 "Arthur Appleton ... ...Tenor Conducted by John D. Buckingham.

* First peal of Treble Bob Minor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Charles J. Mann.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

GRANTHAM, IINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Southern Branch.)
On Tucsday, March 4, 1913, in One Hour and Fifty-fue Minates, At 72, Bridge End Road,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of College Single and Single Court, two 720's of Oxford Bob and three 720 's of Plain Bob.
Harry Thorpe... ... ... I-2 | William G. Thorpe ... 3-4 Sidney Proctor ... ... 5-6 Conducted by Sidney Proctor.
Umpires: Miss R. S. Proctor and W. H. Proctor.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. J. H. Thorpe and Miss R. S. Proctor.

## GUILDFORD, SURIREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, March 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At St. Michael's, Joseph Road,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

 Holt's Original.*Charles Hazelden ... I-2 Willoughby E. Matlden 5-6
Alfred H. Pulling ... $3-4$ * Bernard Clark ......
Conducted by Alfred F. Puleing.
Witnesses: Mrs. Pulling, Mrs. Hazelden, Miss Yvonne Eloie-Leloue.

* First peal on handbells and rung at the first attempt.

BELCHAMP WALTER, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, March 6. 1913, in Tuo Hours,
At the Residence of F. Hawkins,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Being seven $720^{\prime}$ s each called differently.
Harry Catterwell ... $x-2$ | Olave Broyd...
Albert Catterwell ... 5-6 Conducted by Olave Broyd.
Witnesses: Frederick Hawkins and Harry Wright.
First handbell peal by H. Catterwell with two working bells and first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## HARWICH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, March 6, 1913, in One Hour and Fifty Minutes,
At the Residence of A. T. Morris,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Arthur T. Morris... ... $\mathrm{I}-2$ Thomas H. Bernard ... 5-6 George Thompson... $. . . \quad 3-4 \mid$ Tower Taylor... Composed by G. Patrick, and Conducted by A. J. Morris. Umpire: Thomas Philo.

## OXHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, March 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At 43, Heath Road,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5009 CHANGES;
William Hodgetts ... I-2 $\quad$ E. Maurice Atkins ... 5-6 George N. Price ... ... 3-4 *William D. James ... 7 -8 Frank T. Martin 9-io
Composed by Nathan J. Pitstow, and
Conducted by George N. Price.
Umpire: Francis A. Smith.

* First peal of Stedman Caters on handbells other than on 9-io.


## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON JIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, March S. 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes. At St. Michael's Schools, Star Street, Paddingion,

## A PEAL OF BOS ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

J. Broce Williamson... 1 - 2 William D. James $\quad$... 5 5-6 - Miss Edith K. Parker 3-4 E. Maurice Atkins … 7 - 8. *William J. Hazell ... 9-ro Conducted by W. D. James.

* First peal in the method. E. M. Athin's 5oth peal on handbells. Miss Parker is the first lady to ring an inside pair to Royal.

The number of changes in the peal ąt Chilham published last week should have been given as 5024 .

## THE DISPUTED PEAL AT WALLESEY.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-I. have been told by a few whose opinions I respect that I have already written and caused to be written enough irrelevant matter in connection with the disputed peal that was truly rung at Wallasey on December 26th last, but with your kind permission, I should like to say another word or two in reply to Mr. Wilcox and his two distinguished pupils. With regard to Mr. Wilcox, I say none of my statements are untrue or unfounded, and I still maintain what I said in my first letter. With regard to the distance from his place to Wallasey Church, I hapoen to have walked it a few times, so I know what I am talking about. I also have been told by quite as competent persons, who were listening outside, that it was impossible for Mr. Wilcox to hear the bells on that day, as the wind was blowing strongly in the direction of New Brighton (which is quite in the opposite direction), and from what has transpired since he first wrote to me I am strongly inclined to think that he never lieard them at all.
With regard to Mr. Rogers, those who read his letter will see that his theoretical knowledge is equivalent to the practical side of it, very limited, and as he does not know the demerits of Grandsire Minor, I will tell him that one of its merits is that it is admirably adapted for the " wheelbarrow style " of ringing.
Now comes the most serious business of all. One of the ringers that took part in the peal actually says that to his idea it was not a true peal. So much for his idea. Your readers will see what a courageous nature Mr. Walter is possessed of. Could he not have said at the time the peal was rung that he was not satisfied with it? He bad every opportunity for so doing. No, it was not until I had denounced his bosom frieni and he found he had company, that his bravery asserted itself. Mr. Walter's reference to my term "wheelbarrow fashion" is certainly amusing to him, but to onlookers it looks deliberately evasive.

As regards the quality of peals usually rung by me, I should prefer someone elee to speak; that is, someone unbiassed. Mr. Walter and his colleagues would very soon know of what calibre they were if they happened to bo included in a peal, and I was calling it and they were not ringing carefully. And let me tell Mr. Walter that the only methods that "lumps" fall off are Grandsire Minor, and other such like methods, and judging by the amount of them that he rings, it would take some pretty large furniture vans to hold them.

In conclusion, sir, let me say this, that our peal was well and truly rung, and I shall not withdraw it, and when I ring and conduct a peal in future, and pablish it as a true performance, it will require more than those that have brought the prescnt peal into question to make mo withdraw it. Thanking you for your kindness in allowing me so much space, yours faithfully, GEORGE R. NEWTON.

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## HERE AND THERE.

The members of St. Nicholas' Saciety, Deptford, have elected Mr G. H. Daynes, 66, Ashburnham Grove, S.E., as captain and towerkeeper; and Mr. T. H. Hawkins, 20, Seyssell Street, Cubitt Town, E., as hon. secretary.

In our report of the opening of the new peal of eight at Oatlands Church, Surrey, last week, we omitted to state that the bells are hung in Messrs. Warner and Son's special design steel frame, which is built up entirely upon rolled steel girders of heavy section.

By a slip of the blue pencil, the fact that a course of Kent Treble Bob Major was rung and one of Oxford Treble Bob Major was lost at the Kent Association meeting at Mersham was accidentally cut out of the report of the proceedings.

Can Leicestershire boast of a younger ringer to score a peal of Stedman Triples than Ernest Bartram, of Melton Mowbray? He was 16 years and five months old when he ran the peal, and as a memento of the occasion, has just received from the other members of the band a silver bell pendant.

Miss E. K. Parker has added another to her many achievements by being the first lady to ring an inside pair of handbells to a peal of Royal, as she was also the first to ring them to a peal of Major. She rang the tenor behind to a touoh at St. Martin's, Birmingham, on Sunday week. This bell is 33 owt., and the performance, incidentally, shows how well it was rehung by Messrs. Barwell.
At Royston, Herts, on March 5th, an attempt for a peal of Minor failed in the last 720, after ringing 2 hrs . 35 mins., through the organist coming into the Church and practising with the choir boys. The methods completed were: Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single and Oxford Bob: H. G. Wilkerson 1, R. Wilkerson 2, A. Gilbert 3, R. King 4, W. L. Darlow (conductor) 5, $s$. E. Roberts 6 . The peal was attempted in honour of the 70 th birthday of the Vicar of Royston (the Rev. J. Harrison), and of his 36 years as Vicar of the parish, and it was a great disappointment to the ringers that the peal was lost, the conflicting sounds of bells, organ and voices making it impossible to continue ringing.

## THE OXFORD GUILD.

THE MASTER ON ITS ACTIVITIES AND ITS IMPERFECTIONS.
A copy of the new report of the Oxford Diocesan Guild has reached 15, and from its pages it is obvious that the year 1912 was in many ways an extremely successful one. The membership is higher now han ever it was, being 1,852 , made up of 195 won. and life members, 1,430 change ringing members, and 227 probationers. This compares with 1.84 .3 in the preceding year. The Master (the Rev. O. W. O, Jenkyn), in his report, speaks of the year's activities. "The Guild," he says," is alive; that is the great thing. We are at the same time conscious of the imperfections of its life; that is another great thing." He speaks of the signs of life first, which include the great gathering at Oxford for the annual festival, the movement towards increasing the number of local branches, and the peal list, which is a long one and a record for the Guild. During the year 122 peals were rung, including 15 Surprise peals. The Master adds that there were also signs of a better realisation of what it was to be a Church bell ringer. Then with his frank outspokenness, he turns to "Some of our imperfections." He enumerates them under four headings:-
"(1) Some of us turn up very late for practices and peals, and some even for service ringing. It is time we learnt, for instance, that 6 o'clock does not mean 6.15. rad still lees 6.25 .
(2) Wo do not make enough of our Branch meetings. It is good for us to meet together, even if there is not time for much ringing; Ohurch work being corparate work canmot get on vigorously without
" (3) What about the bells on Ascension Day? One of the four great festivals of the Chureh. And yet in many towers the bells bear no "part in the festival of 'Our Lard's Triumph.'
"(4) There is in some quarters still too much justification for the reproach that we neglect the duty of worship.'
The Master also comments upon the completion of the two memorials to the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, the successful Oxford Guild ringing tour in October, tine presentation to the hon. treasurer and late hon. secretary (the Rev. K. H. Hart-Davis), and the able and painstaking work of the new secretary, Mr. A. E. Reeves.
'The Hon. Treasurer's statement is, perhaps, the least satisfactory feature of the report, as it shows a steady drop in the balance in hand: 1910, £ 4014 s . 2 d .; 1911, $£ 33$ 3s.; 1912, £28 15 s . 8d.

## CHELMSFORD BELLS.

To the Fditor.
Sir,-I do not think the Association ought to take the money from the reserve fund for a new bell to make a peal of twelve, for, I think, ten bells are quite enough. If there is any money to spare there are plenty of other rings in the county which need adding to. There are mumerous five-bell towers, where good rings of six could be made. I certainly endorse evary word "Veritas "says, and there are fourteen members of the Assaitation here who think likewise. UNKNOWN.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The halif-yearly meeting of the Furness and Lake District Branch was held at Milnthorpe, on Saturday, and proved very successful. About 36 ringers wrie present from Ambleside, Brathay, Burton. Broughton-in-liurness, Crosthwaite, Dalton-in-Furness, Kendal, Kirkby-in-Furness, Minthorpe and Silverdale.

The new peal of six (tenor 10 cwt.) were raised about 2.30, and were kepi going in various Minor methods till about $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., when the ringers adjourned for tea, after which the business mecting was held in the Schoolroom.
The Rev. T. Heelic, Vicar of Crosthwaite, presided, and the annual meeting was fixed for Dalton-in-Furness in September, when it is expected there will be a new peal of eight available.-It was also decided to hold two ringing meetings during the summer, the first at Broughton-in-Furness, on June 7th, and the second at Crosthwaite, on Juno 21st.

4 bearty vote of thanks to the Rev. C. Pickering (Vicar of Milnthorpe) for the use of the bells, and to the Rev. T. Heelis for pres:ding, was carried unanimously.

## ROCHDALE BRANCH.

The monthly meeting of the Rochdale Branch was held at Todmorden Parish Church, on Saturday, members being present from Todmorden Parish and Unitarian, Walsden, Middleton, Glodwich, Oldham, Heywood, Newhey, Milniow, Ashton, Pendleton, Colne, Liverpool, Walkden, Bolton, Blackburn, Eccles, and Helmshore. The meeting was presided ower by Mr. William Crabtree, five members being flected, and Leesfield selected for the next meeting. The bells were kept going during afternoon and evening in Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob Major, Kent Treble and Double Norwich.

## TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of this Association was held at Blakesley on Saturday, about 30 ringors being present from Cold Higham, Bradden, Lois Weeain, Easton Neston, Greens Norton, Weston Favell, Northamptori, ana the local tower. Tea was partaken of at the Red Lion Inn, and a short business meeting was afterwards held, with Mr. J. S. Constable in the chair, supported by Hr. F. Wilford (secretary of the Central Northants Association).-A letter of apology for nonattendauce was read from Mr. J. Slarke-A vote of thanks to the Rev. F. H. Mentha, who was unable to attend, was carried unani mously

Mr. F. Wilford proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman for presiding, and in the course of his remarks, said the was very pleased to see that several belfries in the district were taking up the art of change ringing, and making good progress with it.-The vote was seconded by Mr. F. Hopper, and carried unanimously.-The Chairman, in reply, said he was much interested in bell ringing, and pleased to do what he could to assist ringers. He knew it was a rather diffcult matter to keep a good band togethor in their belfry, but if only they would stick to their work he saw no reason why they shonld not have another bell put in to make the six. He could assure thmm that he would soon make a move in the matter if he saw there was a likelihood of a good band of ringers.

The bells were kept going during the afternoon and evening, the methods rung being Grandsire, Plain Bob, St. Simon's, and Stedman Doubles.

## A PLYMOUTH SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the Charles' Parochial Society, Plymouth, was held in Charles' belfry, the Rev. J. P. Baker presiding, supported by the Rev. E. S. Powell (Holbeton) and Captain C. F. Jerram, R.M.L.I. The anmual report showed a very successful year's work, under the able management of the leader, Mr. W. H. Marsh. The same officers were elected for the ensuing year as were in office during 1912.
During the meeting a double peal board recording the peals rung on Empire Day and Coronation Day, 1912, was unveiled.
A handsome peal book was also presented to the tower in which is recorded all the peals rung on the bells of Tharles' Church and all those rung by the society, the records having been tastefully illuminated by Capt. Jerram and his wife, to whom a hearty vote of thanks was accorded for the great interest they have shown in the society-
A hearty rote of thanks was also accorded to the Rev. E. S. Powell for his work among the ringers, and for the assistance rendered by him, through his instruction, in obtaining the first Minor peal in seven methods ever rung in Devon.

PUTNEY.-At the Parish Church, on March 6th, for Confirmation service, by the Bishop of Kingston. a quarter-peal of Grandsire Trioles, in 46 mins.: Fí. Whanslaw 1. A. Hubband 2, W. Honeyball 3, J. Kent 4, A. Jones 5. T. Bolton 6, B. Morris (first quarter-peal as conductor, and first attempt) 7. C. Collis, senr., 8. After the Confirmation, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins., by the same band. J. Kent's first quarter as conductor.
ISLINGTON.-London County Association-At the Parish Church. on Sunday evening, March 2nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, from Holt's Original, in 43 mins.: J. A. Hotten 1, A. D. Barker (conductor) 2, R. N. Runham 3, A. H. Palmer 4, L. B. Porter 5, R. W, Green 6. J. Bullock 7, A. E. Boggis 8.

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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

MR. J. E. GROVES, OF BIRMINGHAM.

For over one hundred years Birmingham has been one of the most prominent centres of ringing in the country, and many great names well known in the Exercise have been linked up with it through association with St. Martin's Church. Johnson, Thurstans, Lates, Day, Bastable, Carter--these are but a few which come at once to mind when speaking of Birmingham and ringing, and St. Martin's has to-day a band of ringers who are worthily upholding the traditions of the past. The sphere of activity has widened in recent years, and has extended beyond the limits of the famous Bull Ring to the borders of the diocese and the Guild of St. Martin now embraces the whole area of the new See. Occupying the position of ringing master at the Parish Church as well as in the Guild, is Mr. James E.


Mr. James E. Groves.
Groves, who is a successor in a long line of able men, and the ringing at St. Martin's is not likely to decline while he remains the leader. As popular among Midland ringers as he is capable in the tower, Mr . Groves as a ringer and conductor is to be classed among the best men of to-day.

He was born at Wroseter, near Shrewsbury, on March i3th, 1868 , so that yesterday he completed his $45^{\text {th }}$ year. He took up ringing when he was i8 years old, receiving his first lessons at the Old Abbey Church, Shrewsbury. His first peal, however, was not rung until four years later, this being Grandsire Triples at Upton St. Leonards, Gloucestershire, conducted by Mr. John Austin, on November 8th, I8go. In September of the following year he moved to Wolverhampton, and joined the St. Peter's company, who were then struggling with plain courses of Grandsire Triples. He was elected captain, a position which he held for some years, and a few months later was elected ringing master of the now defunct St. Peter's Guild. Mr. Groves has done a great deal in teaching young bands, and
for six years from 1895 he was instructor to the Hereford Diocesan Guild. In 1904 he was elected the first ringing master of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford, and held office for five years, while in igio he was appointed to a similar position in the St. Martin's Guild.

He has taken part in some notable performances, including several long lengths. He conducted a 7019 and 11,500 of Grandsire Caters, and rang in 8009 of the same method. He was also one of the band that put up the present record of if, ili Stedman Cinques at Birmingham, and conducted the only peal of Erin Cinques yet rung. He rang in and conducted the first handbell peal in Wales, while another of the handbell peals which he rang was the first peal of any description in the City of Hereford. On April 2oth and 21st, 1891, he rang his first peal of Double Norwich Major inside at the Parish Church, Bisley, Gloucester, conducted by the Rev. H. Law James. The bells came round at 2 a.m.! Mr. Groves was the first to ring a pair of tower bells to a peal in Great Britain, this being a peal of Grandsire Triples which he called at St. Luke's, Wolverhampton. Incidentally it is worth mentioning that the only man who had previously accomplished a similar performance was Mr. J. W. Washbrook, at Arklow, Ireland. Another interesting point is that Mr. Groves and Mr. John Carter are the only two living men who have rung peals of Grandsire on all numbers from Triples to Maximus. It would not be fitting to close this brief outline of Mr. Groves' career without mentioning that he is the author of that very popular transposition of Mr. J. J. Parker's celebrated twelve part peal of Grandsire, known as " Groves' Variation."

Mr . Groves is a member of a number of societies and guilds, including the following : Ancient Society of College Youths, St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham, Societies for the Archdeaconry of Stafford, Archdeaconry of Stoke, Archdeaconry of Salop, the Worcester and Districts, Essex, Gloucester and Bristol, Bath and Wells, Midland Counties and Central Northants Associations, the Salisbury, Winchester, Oxford, Warwick, Hereford and Cheltenham and Districts Guilds.

His 384 peals have been rung in 103 towers in 22 counties, his list being as follows :-

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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grandsire Doubles | 5 | I |
| Minor (one to seven methods) | 1 I |  |
| Grandsire Triples | 8I | 59 |
| Plain Bob Triples | 2 |  |
| Darlaston Bob Triples | 8 | 4 |
| Oxford Bob Triples | I | I |
| Stedman Triples | 71 | 25 |
| Grandsire Major | 6 | 6 |
| Plain Bob Major | 21 | 14 |
| Canterbury Pleasure Major | 1 |  |
| Forward Major | 2 | I |
| Kent Treble Bob Major | 3 |  |
| Oxford Treble Bob Major | I |  |
| Double Norwich Major | 16 | 6 |
| Superlative Surprise Major | II | 4 |
| Cambridge Surprise Major | 10 | 4 |
| Grandsire Caters .......... | $5 \mathrm{I}^{*}$ | 26 |
| Plain Bob Caters | , |  |
| Stedman Caters | 17 | 9 |
| Grandsire Royal | 1 |  |
| Plain Bob Royal | 2 |  |
| Kent Treble Bob Royal | 5 | 2 |
| Forward Royal | 2 |  |


| Cambridge Surprise Royal | 2 | 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grandsire Cinques | 3 |  |
| Erin Cinques | 1 | I |
| Stedman Cinques | $45^{\dagger}$ | 20 |
| Grandsire Maximus | I |  |
| Kent Treble Bob Maximus | 2 |  |
| Forward Maximus | I |  |
| Tota | 384 | 186 |

${ }^{*}$ Including 7019 (conducted), 8009 and 11,500 (conducted). †Including record ir,ini. Four of the peals of Grandsire Triples were rung on handbells, and all four were conducted by Mr. Groves.

## ODD CHANGES.

In mediæval and, indeed, in much later times singular criminals have fallen under the ban of the law. Not only animals but even inanimate objects such as bells have been brought to trial and sentenced to most grotesque punishments.

Bells, for having been tolled at inopportune times, have on more than one occasion suffered, and Rouvel, the famous Rouen bell, was sentenced to many years' silence by Charles VI. The bell of Uglitch, which, at the time of the assassination of Demetrius; in 1591, knelled the alarm, was, with all the other actors in that gruesome episode, brought to trial, when it was sentenced to be mutilated, knouted, and sent into perpetual exile. Over 250 years later, in 1847, it was pardoned. Reconsecrated at Irkutsk, in Siberia, by the Bishop, it was, amid general rejoicing, bedecked with flowers.

Very few men indeed have ever rung a peal with two tower bells at the same time. Mr. J. E. Groves, who is the subject of our illustration this week, is one of them. Mr. J. W. Washbrook, senr., was the first ever to accomplish the performance of ringing a peal with a rope in each hand, and, if we remember aright, this was at Arklow, Ireland. The only other is Mr. W. H. Lawrence, of Little Munden. He rang two bells to a peal of Minor. One of J. W. W.'s sons is also master of two bells, and recently Mr. J. Thomas attempted a peal. How long will it be before four men ring a tower bell peal? Not long, we think.

We quote the following from a Devon paper, and it refers to ringing at Chulmleigh :-
The No. 2 band of ringers, under the tuition of the present instructor, has accomplished some excellent round and call change ringing. Some years since it was a hard matter to keep one set together. Now there are two sets. and. it is said, another band is to be formed by the No. 1 set, so that there will be three teams of campanologists to perform on the splendid peal of bells that Chulmleigh possesses.
Such is the progress being made in some places in Devon. Chulmleigh is a scattered village, and has a population of about 1,200 . It possesses a peal of six bells.

Last Wednesday was the 155 th anniversary of the first peal of Treble Bob Maximus ever rung. This was in the Oxford Variation, and was accomplished by the College Youths at St. Saviour's, Southwark (tenor 52 cwt .). It is recorded in the following terms on a tablet in the belfry :"The Society of College Youths rung in this steeple, on

March 12th, 1758, a compleat peal of 5040 Treble Bob, I2 in, in 4 hrs. 12 mins., being the greatest peal ever done before on 12 bells. John Underwood, treble; James Coxon, 2; Robert Butterworth, 3; George Meakins, 4; James Darquitt, 5 ; Thomas Bennett, 6; William Lovell, 7 ; Stephen Pickhaver, 8; William Moss, 9; Robert Bly, io; Robert Mortimer, ir ; Joseph Monk, tenor. The peal was call'd by Mr. G. Meakins."

Twenty years later, to be exact, on March 16th, 1778, 6240 Treble Bob Maximus was rung at St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, by Norwich members of the Cumberland Youths, with two men on the tenor ( 4 cw c.). This occupied 5 hrs. 22 mins., and is recorded as ", being the greatest performance ever done by any society."

On March roth, 1784 , the College Youths, with Samuel Muggeridge on the tenor, rang 7008 of Treble Bob Maximus in 5 hrs. 4 mins. at Southwark, but this was surpassed by the Cumberlands on the same bells on March 22nd, 1802, when James Marlton rang the tenor single handed to 7104 in 5 hrs. 30 mins. The record is worth reproducing, for it contains some famous names: "Cumberlands Society. On Monday, March 22nd, 1802, rang on these bells a compleat peal of Treble Boh Maximus, consisting of 7104 changes, it being the full extent of nine courses, the greatest performance ever done on twelve bells, which was compleated by twelve men only, in 5 hrs. and 30 mins. Performers were: G. Gross, senr., treble: G. Gross, junr., 2 ; P. Jones, 3 ; James Nash, 4 ; Wm. Shipway, 5 ; Thos. Reeves, 6 ; J. Barnard, 7 ; A. Cavelier, 8 ; J. Hints, 9 ; M. Channon, to ; Wm. Stephens, II ; J. Mariton, tenor. Called by G. Gross, jumr." The peal was a composition by J. Reeves.

On March 6th. 1832, a peal of 7392 was rung at St. Mary's, Oldham, Lancs. This was supplanted by the $10,22 \neq$ at Painswick in the following year, the latter remaining as the record length until the peal at Ashton-under-Lyne rung on Easter Monday, igir. Narch was, in the old days, a memorable month for Treble Twelve.

Incidentally it may be mentioned, that to-day is the 186th anniversary of the first peal on the bells of St. Martin's-in-the-Field, London. It was 6006 of Grandsire Cinques, rung by the London Scholars, on March It, 172\%. On the fcllowing day the College Youths rang 6314 in the same method. Benjamin Annable "called the bobs" in this latter peal.

Subscriptions towards recasting the and bell at St. Martin's Parisb Church, Birmingham, have come in so well up to the present that it has been decided to raise the full amount among members and friends of the Guild, and present the bell to the church free of cost. If any of the numerous visitors to the church who have rung their first peal of Stedman Cinques on the bells would like to show their appreciation, now is the opportunity. Contributions should be sent to Mr. A. P. Smith (Hon. Sec.), ir, Albert Road, Handswortb, Birminghan.

We are requested to state that Peal No. 2,175 in the Yorks Association report 1911-12, published over the name of F. Rohinson, belongs to A. Knights, and was rung for the first time as long ago as $188_{7}$.

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## THE SPITHLFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,

 Spelman Street, LONDON, N.E.
## IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Correspondents are reminded that, as Good Friday falls in next week, " The Ringing World" will be published on Thursday. Consequently, matter intended for publication should reach us not later than Monday next.
Reports of peals and meetings on Bank Holiday should be despatched to us the same night to ensure insertion in the following issue.

## MUFFLED RINGING. <br> information wanted. <br> To the Edtitor

Sir,-While visiting a neighbouring tower not long ago, a discussion arose as to the correct way to toll the bell at a death or a funeral. Various views were put forward, and it was decided to ask, through the medium of "The Ringing World," what is the general practice in this matter. We should also like to know if there are any church rules dealing with the subject of tolling, muffled peale, ringing the old year out, etc. It seems to be left to custom and tradition in each parish.
As an instance of the difference of opinion that exists, may I quote an incident that occured in this parish some time ago: One of our ringers having died, we wished to ring a muffled peal in liis memory, and consulted our vicar as to the best time to do so. He did not ssem very clear on the matter, but gave it as his opinion that the day of the funcral would be the best time for a muffled peal; that in a time of national mourning it might be rung on a Sunday after service; but that tho bells should never be muffled to cail the congregation to church, as had been done on a previous, occasion here. After this interview, I happened to see a paragraph in "The Ringing World" stating that in a distant parish, on the death of a ringer, his colleagues had rung the bells mufiled for service throughout the ' Sunday.
We should be grateful for any information on the subject. Also I would suggest that if there are none already in existence, the associations might draw up some general rules for the guidance of the in-experienced.-Yours truly,
Blandford.
IT. h. Perdins.

## presentation to a young ringer.

## MEMENTO OF FIRST PEAL OF STEDMAN

Ernest Bartram, of Melton Mowbray, has been the recipient of a xilver bell pendant, in recognition of the way in which he rang in his first peal of Stedman Triples at the Churcla of All Saints', Onkham, Rutland. The present was subscribed for by the other members of the Midland Countics Association who took part in the peal, and was accompanied with the following letter from Mr. W. E. White (hon. secretary) of the Association: "As a mark of appreciation of the way in which vou rang the treble in your first neal of Stedman Triples, we (that is the others who rang in the peal) beg you to accept the small bell pendant, which I send herewith with our best wishes for your continued progress in the art of ringing.

The bell was splendidly engraved with the inscription: "Ernest Bartram $_{4}$ August 31st, 1912," on one side, and "Stedman Triples at Dakham" on the other. The recipient was very surprised and pleased with ihe gift, and wishes to thank sincerely, through "The Ringing World," each subscriber for the beautiful present which will always be prized very much.

## A BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION,

At Southover Church, Lewes, Sussex, recertly, an attempt was made for a peal of Grandsire Triples, but it failed after ringing had been in progress for a little over an hour. A quarter-peal of the same method whi afterwards brought round in 46 mins., by: $G$. Richardson 1, E. E. Bish 2, E. J. Pannett 3, F. S. Sturt 4, G. H. Sturt 5, A. J. Turner 6, R. J. Dawe (conductor) 7, C. Errey 8. This was rung to celebrate the birthdays of Messrs. E. J. Pannett. G. H. Sturt, C. Firrey, and the son of Mr. R. J. Dawe, and also the 45 th anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Dawe, senr. The ringers were cubsequently entertained by Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Pannett. A most enjoyable evening was spent. After supper, there were songs and handbell ringing, and thanks were accorded Mr. and Mrs. Pannett for their hospitality.

## RYE RINGERS.

At the annual meeting of the Rye ringers, it was reported that there were 89 subscribers to the annual appeal, and hearty thanks were accorded them for their support. A very satisfactory report on the work in the belfry was also presented, attention having been mainly directed to bring on the junior members to fill vacancies in the ranks. The following officers were elected: Vice-president, Rev. H. E. Laughlin; captain. Mr. G. J. Youngs; conductor. Mr. G. Billenness; hon. secretary, Mr. H. F. Cobon.-After the meeting the ringers were entertained by the Vicar (the Rev. A. P. Howes) and Mrs. Howee, who were thanked for their kind hospitality.

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

PLYMOUTH.-The Devonshire Guild.-On March 5th, at Emmanuel Chureh, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: $\Omega$. Shapeotto 1, W. Ford 2, W. Hobbs 3, W. Rundle 4, W. Hamblyn 5, W. Richards 6, G. H. Myers (conductor) 7, G. Kerswell 8.
LONDON.-On Sunday, Miarch 9th, for evening service, at St. Matthew's Chureh, Bethnal Green, a quarter-peal of Bristol Surpriso Major: T. King 1, W. Hewitt 2, C. T. Coles 3, J. A. Trollope 4, B. Saunders 5, 'T. Groombridge, junr., 6, A. W. Grimes (conductor) 7, W', Pyo 8.
IREADING.-Oxford Diocesan Guild.-On Sunday, March 9th, at St. Mary's Church, for evening service, 448 of Cambridge Surpriso Major: W. A. Webb 1, J. E. Hern 2, A. T. Reeves 3, A. H. Reeves 4 C. Giles (conductor) 5, J. Swain 6, L. Watmore 7, F. W. Hopgood 8.At 18, Seamer Place, on handbells, 504 of Grandsire Triples: A. T. Reeves 1-2 C. Giles (conductor) 3-4, F. W. Hopgood 5-6, F. Watmore 7-8.
CARDIFF.-At St. John's on Sunday, March 2nd, a quarter-peat of Grandsire Caters ( 1259 changes), in 47 mins. : S. Williams 1, J. Harris 2, II. Day 3, W. Teath 4, C. O. Hobbs 5, W. G. Miller 6, T. Cox 7, S. Dawe 8, A. Rowley (conductor) 9, S. Barker 10. Rung in honour of tho wedding of Mr. Evan Coles, who was married to Miss Hister E. Rosser, at the Parish of Llaneshen, on the 1st inst., the ringers wishing them every happiness.

WISBECH, CAMRS.-At the Parish Church, on March 2nd, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor (tenor covering) : F. W. Carter 1, S. Audrers (first 720 as conductor) 2, R. Narborough 3, T. JTaines 4, G. Piggins 5, HI. Banham 6, H. Cheesewright 7. First time this particular 720 has ever been rung by any of the band. For Confirmation service, on Wednesday, 5 th March, several touches of Minor and 13ob Doubles, the conducting being shared by Messrs. Benham, Andrews, Haines aud Piggins, $\AA$. W. Wenlock ringing his first 120.

SUTTON OOLDFIELD.-The Warwickshire Guild.-On March 2nd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 50 mins. C. Waithman 1, J. Jennings 2, 13. Claydon 3, G. Roberts 4, W. Allsop 5, T. Bloore (conductor) 6, B. Lecdham 7, J. Reynolds 8. Iung with the bells muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Mr. E. J. Brooks for 10 years churchwarden of this church.
WRITTLE, ESSEX. - On March 2nd, at All Saints' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins., as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 7th: J. Poole 1, F. Edwards 2, F. Radley 3, A. Whight 4, R. Wood 5, W. Lincoln (conductor) 6, A. Ifead 7, R. A. Rolfe 8.

CHATHAM.-At St. Mary-the-Virgin's, on March 2nd, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 49 mins.: H. Springate 1, H. Hogarth 2, Corpl. J. Bennett, RR.M.L.I., 3, P. Burgess (Waldron) 4, F. Belsey (conductor) 5, S. Shellock 6, C. FI. Sone (Linton) 7, E. Sills 8 . LONDON.-On March 2nd for morning service, at St. John's, South Hackney, 1280 Kent Treble Bob Major, in 45 mins.: J. Barry 1, F. Nunn 2, E. Wigg 3, E. E. Grimes (first quarter-peal in the methed) 4, A. H. Palmer 5, R. Green 6, F. IIull 7, A. W. Grimes (conductor) 8.

BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIIEE-On Sunday, March 2nd, for men's service, 504 Grandsire Triples: J. Whatmore 1, J. W. What more 2, -. Jearons 3, A. Greenfield (conductor) 4, W. Cotter 5, R. Allen 6, J Lloyd 7, C. Harley 8. Also 336 Bob Major: J. Williams 1, J. Whatmore 2, -. Jeavons 3, J. Lloyd 4, R. Allen 5, W. Cotter 6, C. E. Corkins 7, A. Greenfield (conductor) 8.

ASTON MANOR, BIRMINGHAM.-On March 2nd, at the Parish Church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, ill 49 mins.: A. Edgerton 1, L. Corrigan 2, W. H. Jones 3, F. Downing 4, M. J. Morris 5, C, H. Potter (Barnsley), first quarter-peal of Caters, 6, W. Davies 7, W. G. Ellis (conductor) 8, W. Saunders 9, C. Allen 10.

JURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS.-On March 2nd, 720 Oxford Bob: E. Hodson 1, J. Hendry 2, J. Pettit 3, G. Lines 4, A. Henman 5, P. Inskip (conductor) 6. This was rung for the christening of Mr. J. Hendry's son. For evening service, 720 of Oxford Treble Bob: G. Lines (conductor) 1, J. Hendry 2, J. Pettit 3, H. Saddington (first 720 of Treble Bob away from the treble) 4, P. Inskip 5, A. Henman 6.

LEYTONSTONE.-On March 3rd, at St. John's Church, 720 each of London, Beverley and York Surprise, the following taking part: A. Prior (first 720 Beverley), A. Fiddes (first 720 London), W. Theobald, G. Dowson, W. Miller (conductor), J. Moule, W. Doran, II. Torble.
BRIDGEiND -On March 4th, at St. Illtyd's Church, 504 Stedman Triples: R. Grcgory 1, D. R. Jnmes 2, J. Davis 3, J. Evans 4, W. Smith 5, J. Cox 6, R. Evans (conductor) 7, J. Fisher 8. Firut 504, by all except the ringers of 6 and 7 .
DERBY. -The Midland Counties Association.-On March 4th, at St. Alkmund's Church, a date touch of Grandsire Triples (1913 changes), in, 1 hr. 13 mins.: C. Draper 1, J. Vickens, junr., 2, G. Robinson 3, G. Freebrey (composer and conductor) 4, J. Vickers, scmr., 5, W. Wallace 6, B. Mitchell 7, A. Francis 8.

HODDESDON, HERTS.-At St. Paul's Church, on March 9th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsice Triples, in 44 mins., by: *T. Newman 1, *W. Mumford 2, Jesse Puplett 3, S. Knight (conductor) 4, A. Cains 5, W. Onvil 6, W. Irous 7, C. Rainbird 8. * Irongest length.

PORTSEA.-At the Parish Church, on March 9th, for morning service, 504 Stedman Triples: J. Harris 1, A. S. Beer 2, S. Thomas 3, C. Groves 4, J. Symonds 5, A. Creasy 6, E. J. Harding (conductor) 7, I. Matthews 8. For evening service, 504 Grandsire: J. Symonds 1, C. Groves 2, J. Harris (conductor) 3, J. Wheeler 4, E. J. Harding 5, J. Smith 6, A. Creasy 7, J. Matthews 8.

DEAL - Kent Association. - On Sunday, March 9th, 720 Coliege ingle: *E. Kemp 1, *L. Ladd 2, *G. W. T. Smith 3, F. A. Holder (conductor) 4, *A. Long 5, II. C. Castle 6. * First 720 in the method.
NORTVICH.-At St. John de Sepulchre's Church, on Monday, March 3rd, 1264 Bob Major: C. Brundell 1, C. Jenkinson 2, F. Phillips 3, W. Mayers 4, J. Freeman 5, W. W. Goodbourn 6, 'T. Wright 7, G. Mayers (conductor) 8. Rung with the bells half-mufiled as a token of respect to the late Mr. F. T. Miller, who, although a prominent member of St. Join the Baptist Roman Catholic Church, was a true friend of he poor in this parish, and a stipporter of all good work, irrespective of creed.
LITTLI: MUNDEN.-Hertfordshire Association.-On March 4th. 720 Duke of York: S. Game 1, B. Patmore 2, A. Carter 3, A. Phillips 4, A Woolston 5, W. H. Lawrence (conductor) 6. Also 720 College Single: A Smith 1, B. Patman c, S. Game 3, W. H. Lawrence 4, A. Phillips 5, A Woolston (conductor) 6.-On Sunday, March 9th. 360 Oxford Treble Bob: H. Cartor 1, A. Phillips 2, S. Game 3, G. II. Barker 4, A. Carter 5, W. H. Lawrence (conductor) 6.

S'MNSTED.-Essex Association.-On Feb. 9th, for morning service, 560 Double Norwich: H. Little 1, T. Jordan 2, G. Jordan 3, F. M Butler 4, J. Luckey 5, T. J. Watts 6, H. J. Tucker 7, W. Watts (con ductor) 8. -On March 9th, for morning service, 504 Stedman Triples J. Ansell 1, H. Little 2, G. Jordan 3, F. M. Butler 4, J. Luckey 5, W. 'Г. Proor 6, W. Watts (conductor) 7, T. J. Watts 8.

CIIILDWALL, LANCS.-The Chester Diocesan Guild.-At All Saints' Church, on Feb. 28th, 720 each of St. Clement's and Childwall, College Single and Wavertree, Double and Plain Bob, containing 71 changes of method in the three 720's: Rev. C. A. Clements 1, W. Bibby 2, Rev. A. T. Bceston 3, G. R. Newton 4. E. H. Lewis (conductor) 5, H. W Wilele 6. The splicing of St. Clement's and Childwall, and of College Fingle and Wavertree, were shown in our last issue.
MRIDSTOW, HERFFORDSHIRE-On Feb. 23rd, for evening serrice, a quarter-peal of Minor, consisting of 720 Plain Bob, 360 Oxford Bob, and 180 Canterbury, in 40 mins.: R. Summers 1, J. Bevan 2, J. Gwynne 3, A. Gwynne 4, E. Summers 5, W. Poston (conductor) 6.-On Feb. 25th, a quarter-peal of Minor, in seven methods, being 240 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, 180 each of Oxford Bob, Canterbury and Plain Bob, and 120 each of College Single and Grandsire: J. Bevan 1, A. Gwynne 2, J. Blake 3. J. Gwymne 4, E. Summers 5, W. Poston (conductor) 6.
BRADPOLE DORSET.-Salisbury Guild.-On Feb. 27th, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: *S. Vining 1, P. H. Beams (first quarter with a bob bell) 2, ${ }^{*} J$. Lathey 3, J. Zealley 4, *H. Haines 5, E Powell 6. T. Hervey Beams (conductor) 7, T. Lathey 8 . * First quarter-peal of Triples. Rung with the bells muffled, as a tribute of respect to the late Earl Nelson, President of the Sarum Diocesan Guild since its formation in 1884.

SIIIPLAKE, OXON.-On Jan. 16th, for evening service, to mark the induction of the new Vicar, the Rev. C. A. W. Aylen, to SS. Peter and Paul, Shiplake, the ringers rang a date touch of 1913 Grandsire Triples, composed by Mr. C. Jackson Hull: A. Sheppard 1, C. 〕. Dliver 2, W. O. Porter 3, A. Histead 4, W. Wicks 5, G. Cleave conductor) 6. J. Hiscock 7, F. Harris 8.
SUINDON. WILTS.-On Jan. 12th, at Christ Church, for morning service. 576 Kont Treble Bob Major: J. H. Odey 1, O. W. Layng 2, R. W. Hyner 3, S. Palmer 4, E. Bishop 5, H. W. Ir. Wells 6, S. Itillier (Derizes) 7, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 8.-On Jan. 14th, 1344 Superlative Surprise Major: J. H. Odey 1, R. W. Hyner 2, F. Looker 3, II. G. Lancaster 4, E. Bishop 5, G. W. Townsend 6, G. Lancaster 7, bells.
STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.-On Jan. 13th, at St. Margart's Church. 720 London Surprise Minor: A. J. Gilbert 1, R. W. Hyner 2, F. Looker 3, W. G. Lancaster 4, G. Lancaster 5, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 6.-On February 3rd, at St. Margaret's Church, 720 Beverley Surprise: A. J. Gilbert 1, R. W. Hyner 2, F. Looker 3, 15. (F. Iancaster 4, G. Lancaster (conductor) 5, C. J. Gardiner 6. First 720 in the method on the bells.
Ol, HILI, STAFFS.-On Sunday, Jan. 26th, for morning service, 336 Stedman Triples, conducted by W. Green. For evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: J. Price 1, L. Johnson 2. H. Johnson 3, W. Bird 4, G. Bit l 5, O. Pearson 6, A. Greenfie'd (conductor) 7, A. Houghton 8. LONDON.-On Jan. 25th, for evening service, at St. Giles', CamberWell, a quarter-peal of Ken: Treble Bob Major (1280 changes) : T. H. Taffender (conduchor) 1, C. H. Hughes 2, Rer, H. S. T. Richardson 3, Marker Taftender 4, R. W. Green 5, C. W. R. Grimwood 6, A. D. Barker 7. I'. J. Hardy 8.
HomifowAY.-- At St. Mary Magdelene's Church, on Jan. 26th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: A. Cornford 1, II. Ranzetia 2, I. Brookes 3, J. Barry 4, G. Charge 5, J. Conford 6, A. Turner (conductor) 7, A. Hart 8-On Feb. 2nd, for
evening service, a quartcr-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, in 47 mins. J. Barry 1, B. Green 2, II. Dains 3, *H. Brooks 4, A. Hart 5 , \# L. Porter 6, G. Charge 7, A. Turner (first in the method as conductor) 8. * First quarter of Treble Bob Major.

BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.-Oxford Guild.-On Feb. 1st, 168 and 350 Grandsire Triples, conducted by H. Sear, and 336, conducted by E. Marks.-On Feb. 8th, 336 Stedman, conducted by H. Sear. Also 518 Grandsire Triples: S. H. King (first 500) 1, W. Sear 2, J. Mead 3, L. Meager 4, T. Best (conductor) 5, E. Marks 6, H. Sear' 7, F. Goodman 8.

EMBEIRTON. BUCKS.-At the Parish Church, 720 Bob Minor: H. Sear 1, J. Lovell 2, G. West 3, E. Marks 4, F. Mynard (conductor) 5, T. Best 6. 120 Sterlman Doubles, with V. Sear 6.

TWELL.-On the occasion of the marriage of Capt. John A. Don, R.H.A., and Miss Violet Bridges, second daughter of Mr. J. H. Bridges, of Ewell Court, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. Sherman 1, Fi. G. Beams 2, Jesse Beams 3, J. Beams 4, E. T. Grove 5, S. Wilson 6, C. E. Read (conductor) 7, F. Laver 8. Also 630, 546 and 168 in the same metiod, II. Peilerick taking part.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.-On Sunday, Feb. 9th, 720 Bob Minor, conducted by F. W. Naunton, and 216 conducted by J. Spencer: G Bertram 1, A. J. Naunton 2, L. Naunton 3, W. Mellin 4, J. Spencer 5, F. W. Naunton 6.
WITNEY, OXON.-Oxford Diocesan Guild.-At the Parish Church, on Sunday morning, Feb. 9th, 350 Grandsire Triples: H. Long 1, C, R. Walker 2, E. Brown 3, A. Brooks 4, T. Bull 5, J. Monk (conductor) 6, J. Brooks 7, G. Brooks 8. Also for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1260 changes), in 46 mins., by the above band, conducted by J. Monk. C. R. Walker's first quarter-peal with arr inside bell.

## CLAIMS TO AUTHORSHIP.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-I had thought this subject was dropped, but Mr. Lindoff's vaint and boasting letter in your issue of February 28th provokes me to reply. Evidently the thinks Mr. Dains, Mr. Hattersley and myself are nothing better than fools in composition, and can be treated as such accordingly, or he would not have sent with his letter the two 5040's of New Cambridge Surprise Royal, which, lke his other efforts, are merely extracts from peals published in the 1895 appendix. The first 5040 is abstracted from a 5056, third peal on page 108, and the second may be abstracted by a school-boy from the second peal given on page 117. As this is such a bare-faced bit of prigging and an attempt at fooling. I enclose the peals side by side as published.
With this attempt to hoodwink us, he has the impertinence to tell us that he is not like Mr. Dains, given to idle boasting. Can idle boasting go further? He also states that these extracts are his peals, and his they will remain. I have no doubt they will in his imagination, but the discerning part of the Exercise will not be so deceived, but will estimate his efforts at their worth. N. J. PITSTOW.
[Mr. Pitstow enclosed the two sets of course-ends, which are exactly the same as that in Mr. F. Pitstow's letter last week, and need not, therefore, be repeated.-Ed.]

## LONG STANTON'S MISFORTUNE.

The Vicar and churchwardens acknowledge with many thanks the following contributions towards the cost of recasting the tenor: C. H. C., 10s. : T. R. D., 6s.; C. W. B., 5s.; E. V. C., 5s.; V. Y. J., 1s.; Winchester Diocesan Guild (Guildford branch), 10s. Also the following bands: Elham (Kent), 11s. 6d.; Patrington (Yorks), 10s.; Seal Chart, 6 s . 2d. : Scarborough, 7s.; Bolsover, 7s. 6d.: Skipton, 5s.; Great Munden, 5s. ; Halifax Parish Church. 4s. 3d. ; Tynemouth Parish Church, 3s. 6d.: Castle Ashby, 3s. 6d. ; Blackburn, 2s. 6d.; St. Peter's, Nottingham, 2s.: Bradwell, 2s.; Wisbech Parish Church, 1s. 6d.; total received. to date, £23 13s. 11d.; amount required, £35. Donations will be thankfully received by the Vicar, Mr. W. Daggett, or Mr. H. Croot, Long Stanton, Cambs.

## NOTICES.

The charge for notices under this heading is at the rate of 2d. per line (averagə ninき worls), with a minimum of 1s. Three insertions. at double the charge for single insertion (minimum 2s.):

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Kuncorn Branch. The quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Runcorn on March 55 th. Bells ready at 3 . Tea at 5 p.m. Meeting to follow after tea. Ringers' service at 7 . All ringers welcome.-B. Trivett, Branch Secretary.
LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD. - The next. meeting of the Guild will be held at St. Nicholas', Liverpool, on Saturday, March I5th. Full particulars by cir-cular.-Rev. W. T, Bulpit and W. Bentham, Honorary Secretaries.

## NOTICES (continued).

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, established 1824) Northern District.-The next meeting will be held on March I5th, at St. Mary's, Walthamstow. Tower cpen for ringing from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Business meeting to follow. All cordially invited. - J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7 d , Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's Church, Bolton, on Saturoay, March 15th, at 6 o'clock; business meeting, 7.30 -G. (. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester District.-The half-yearly meeting will be held at Tunstall, near Sittingbourne, on Saturday, March 15 th. Tower open at 3.30 . Short service at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting following immediately after light refreshments. - Edward A. G. Allen, Honorary Secretary, 77, Bill Street Road, Frindsbury, Rochester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.- Rossendale Branch.-The next branch meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Ramsbottom, on Saturday, March i5th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6 o'clock.-J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 3i, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 27th ; Southwark Cathedral on the 25 th ; also at St. Mary's, Valthamstow, on Saturdays; St. Magnus at $7 \cdot 30$, the others at 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.IV.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FOORD.-The annual meeting will be held at Walsall on Easter Monday. Bells available : St. Matthew's (io) and Rushall (6) from in a.m. Rushall tower penny tram from The Bridge. Short service at St. Matthew's at 4. Tea at 4.30 in Masonic Hall, High Street, is. each. General meeting to follow. Kindly send word not later than Tuesday, the 18th inst., to H. Knight, Honorary Secretary, i5, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-The annual meeting will be held at Stourbridge on Easter Monday, March 24th. Service, with address By the Rev. Stanhope Newland, Vicar, in St. Thomas' Church at r. 45 prompt. General meeting in the Foresters' Hall, High Street, at 2.30. Bells available : St. Thomas (8), Oldswinford (8) and Wollaston (6). Tea will be provided for those who notify me by Wednesday, March igth. Subscriptions should be paid to the branch secretaries and reports obtained in the Choir Vestry between 12 and I. The peal book will also be on view there.-J. R. Newman, Honorary Secretary, Bransford, Worcester.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The annual :general meeting will take place at Bury St. Edmunds on Easter Monday, March 24th. Service, with address by Rev. H. B. Woolley, of Long Stanton, will loe held in St. James' Church, i2. 30 p.m. Beils available: St. James' (ro), St. Mary's (8), Horringer (8), Rougham (6), Great Barton (6), Fornham St. Martin (6). Dinner, followed by business meeting, will be held at the Suffolk Hotel at i.I5 p.m., is. members, 2s. non-members. Will those who intend coming to dinner please notify me not later than Wednesday, March 1gth?-T. R. Dennis, General Secretary, 33, Clarendon Street, Cambridge.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - The thirty-first annual meeting will be held at Leicester on Easter Monday, March 24th. The bells at St. Margaret's, St. Martin's, St. Mark's and St. John's will be available for ringing from $10.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Committee meeting at 3 o'clock in the High Cross Coffee House, followed by tea (is. each) and general meeting at 40 'clock. Will those who intend taking tea kindly notify Mr. T. H. Hardy, 3 , Wright Street, St. Peter's Lane, by March 2oth at the latest. The towers will be closed during the tea and meet-ing.-W. E. White, Honorary Secretary.
WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Portsmouth District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Farcham on Easter Monday, March 24 thi. Bells available from 2 o'clock. Tea at Foster's Temperance Hotel at 6 o'clock. Meeting after. Members requiring tea kindly let me know by the 1gth inst. - J. W. Whiting, District Secretary, Fareham.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday, March 24tb, 1913. Towers open at 2 p.m.: St. Peter's (io), Cathedral (8), St. Stephen's (6), St. Michael's (6). Ringing can be had upon the peals of six earlier in the day by communicating direct to respective conductors. Service in the Cathedral (choral) 5 p.m., with short address by the Rev. Canon Lord William Gascoigne Cecil, Rector of Hatfield. Tea and business meeting in the Abbev Institute adjoining, immediately after service, for election of officers and other business. Secretaries are asked to communicate the probable number of their band attending by first post on Easter Monday to enable satisfactory téa arrangements to be made. Meat tea 6d. each to members; other ringers, who will be heartily welcomed, is. 3d. each. -G. W. Cartmel, Honorary Secretary, Duffield, St. Albans.
CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE AS-SOCIATION.-The Easter Meeting will be held at Whitby on Easter Monday (March 24th, 1913). Bells of the Parish Church ( Io , tenor $18 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwts}$.) a vailable all day. Dinner at Botham's Cafe, 12.30 p.m. prompt, members I/, non-members $2 /$. Ringers attending must notify the Secretary by Wednesday, March rgth.--T. Metcalfe, Hon. Secretary, 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North Eastern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Colchester on Easter Monday. The bells of St. Peter (8), which have recently been re-cast, and All Saints (5), will be available from in o'clock till 7. Tea I/- each, followed by meeting, will be held in Parish Room adjoining St. Peter's, at 4.30 . I wish to remind those intending being present the necessity of giving notice not later than the 2oth, as tea will ouly be ordered for number sending notice.-A. Shufflebotham, District Secretary, Sandpit Road, Braintree.

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Bangor on Easter Monday. Business meeting at $2.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the schoolroom. Bells available all day. All ringers welcome.-H. Moore, junr., Honorary Secretary, Pentrefelin, Wrexham.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be held in Bedford on Easter Monday. Committee meeting at the Church House, St. Paul's Square, at ria.m. Dinner at All Hallows' Mission Room at 1 . General Meeting after dinner. The bells at St. Paul's (ro) will be available except from II to I2, and from 5 to 6 , and at St. Peter's (6) except from $3 \cdot 30$ to $5 \cdot 30$.-A. Rust, Hon. Sec.

SURRÉY ASSOCIATION.-The quarterly meeting will be held on Easter Monday, March 21 ist, at Epsom. Both towers (St. Martin's and Christ Church) will be available for ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service at St. Martin's at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.45 p.m. Business meeting after. -Cyril S. Johnston, Hon. Sec., Bell Foundry, Croydon.
PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRIC'T ASSOCIA-TION.-A meeting will be held at Huntingdon on Easter Monday. Bells, St. Mary's (8). All Saints (6), available afternoon and evening. Tea at Plumb's, Contectioner, gd. each. Meeting, St. Mary's Room. Short service, 5 o'clock, at St. Mary's. All ringers welcome.-Will those intending beng present please notify F. T. Cooke, Hon. Sec., 195, Gladstone Street, l'eterborough.
S. MARY'S, TWYFORD, BERKS.-The new ring of eight bells will be dedicated on Easter Tuesday, March 25 th. Service at 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.-Those intending to be present kindly notify same to F. Dentry, Church Street, Tw wford, Berks.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-A special ringing meeting will be held at Finedon on Saturday, March 29th. The new peal of bells will be ready at 3 p.m. Tea in the Star Hall at 5 p.m. Will those requiring tea kindly let me know by the 26 th. -W. Perkins, District Secretary, 6, Addington Road, Irthlingborough.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -A branch meeting will be held at Rishton on Saturday, March 29th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be held at St. John the Baptist's, Hillingdon, by kind permission of the Rev. C. M. Harvey, on Saturday, March 29th, 1913. A service will be held at 5 p.m., with an address by the Rev. Canon Harvey, of Dewsbury, Yorks. Tea at $60^{\prime}$ 'clock, 7 d. each, and meeting to follow. The business will include the election of a new president, and any alteration of the rules consequent thereon, to make it effective. The following towers will be open for ringing: St. John the Baptist's (ro) from 2 p.m. and St. Andrew's (8) from 3 p.m. All are welcome.-C. T. Coles, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow, H. C. Chandler, Church Road, Heston, Honorary Secretaries.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The committee will meet at Oxford on Saturday, April 5 th. "Motions" for the agenda must be sent to me not later than Saturday, March $1^{\text {th }}$ h.-Mbert E. Reeves, Secretary, 5, Fatherson Road, Reading.
DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.--In consequence of the Honorary Secretary being in hospital suffering from severe burns, the annual meeting is postponed. Further notice will be given when the date is fixed.-S. Spittle, Ringing Master, 6, Great Hill, Dudley.
VISITORS TO BLACKPOOL will find every convenience at Mrs. E. Howarth's, I4, May Bell Avenue, Springfield Road, Blackpool, N.S.
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MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, UROYDON. 4th March, 1912. Gentlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St. Peter's Collegiaie Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtediy, oue of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faillifully, F. T. BECK,

Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

## THE EASTER MEETINGS.

The first Bank Holiday of the year always brings a big crop of important association gatherings, and next Monday will find ringers assembling in many centres from Wales to Easi Anglia, from Hampshire to Yorkshire. In most of these meetings the purpose is the transaction of the annual business, and with the ever increasing interest which there is in ringing affairs, there will be, we have no doubt, large and successful gatherings. The obvious advantages which are afforded by Bank Holiday meetings make them extremely popular with members, and for this reason by far the larger number of the big societies hold their annuai meetings upon these occasions, while many others seize upon the opportunity for districte gatherings.

While the business part of the proceedings has, of course, considerable importance, it is not the only feature which brings ringers from a wide area to foregather at a central spot. The social side has its natural attraction, for in many cases it is the one occasion during the year when old friends can meet. Then, too, there is the inducement of the opportunities which are provided by the day's ringing. All this goes to make these assemblies attractive, and it is gratifying to notice the wide-spread interest which, generally speaking, members take in the affairs of their respective associations. Moreover, there is a duty attaching to membership, for every individual ought to feel pride and concern in the successful and capable management of his association. It is sometimes said that a small attendance at a business meeting is a sign of general satisfaction with the conduct of affairs, but it is not altogether a healthy sign. It is sometimes an indication of apathy, and apathy only too often leads to disintegration. Happily, in regard to the ringing associations, there are usually ample signs of a live interest in their affairs, and we hope this condition of things may long prevail.

In those associations where nothing has yet been done, the Easter meetings provide a very favourable opportunity for raising the subject of a ringers' benevolent fund, to the need of which we have so often directed attention. In several instances, we know, the matter has been shelved in order to see the effect of the Insurance Act, but already there is proof that this measure has not done away with the ralue of a benevolent fund. Ringers ought to feel it a privilege to do something to help a brother in distress, and sristematic provision, such as two or three of the associations are now making is the best method of meeting an emergency when it does arise. We hope that in those organisations where nothing has yet been done, steps will be taken to establish a fund, and in several cases the opportunity of introducing the matter will occur next Monday.

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The CHURCHWARDENS unite with ME in this expression of spision. The BELIRINGERS are aliso nananimons in their praise of ate alterations effected by you. Yours truly, CHAS. EDMUNDS,

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Tuestay, March 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 GHANQES;
Tenor 36 cwt., in C .
Bernard W. Witchell ...Treble |"George Walker ... William Short ... ... ... 2 2 Morris J. Morris ... Frederick Dickens ... ... 3 Thomas H. Reeves ... 9 Edmund J. Hyland ... ... 4 Samuel Grove ... ... ... 10 Alf. Paddon Smith... ... 5 James E. Groves ... ... II James H. Shepherd ... 6 John Neal... ... ... ... Thoy

Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by James E. Groves.

* First peal on twelve bells.


## TEN BELL PEAL.

WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Wednesday, March 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. Matthew,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS; 5149 CHANCES;

Tenor 24 cwt .


Composed by William Hallsworth, and
Conducted by Thomas J. Elton.
Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to Frank Hallsworth, Junr.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Henry Stalham... ... ...Tyeble | Richard Stredwick ... 5 John Capp ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Albert Harman... Henry J. Ranzetta... ... $3 . \quad$ William C. Hart ... ... 7 Oliver Sippetts ... ... 4 Keith Hart ... ... ...Tenoy

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Keith Hart.

HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Division.)
On Tuesday, March 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 GRANGE ;
Thurstans' Four-Part.
 Conducted by W. H. Webs.

BATTLE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, March 12, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES; Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 23 cwt. Tohn Sinden ... ... ...Treble Walter Alcock

| Walter Franks | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Thomas | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 6 |
| George Watson | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 7 |
| Harry Denman | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Tenor | Trancis A. Kennett

•...
-Percival Carter
Conducted by George Watson.
Conemar Concucted
First peal in the method.

## HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Wednesday, March 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minetes. At the Church of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB FAAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 14 cwt.

| Richard S | .Tveble | Henry J. Ranzetta |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John Capp | . 2 | Alfred J. Turner... | 6 |
| Oliver Sippetts... | 3 | Albert D. Stone | ... 7 |
| William C. Ha | . 4 | Keith Hart | Tenor |

Composed by F. Dench, and Conducted by Keith Hart.

## LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, March 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary, Lewisham,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;

J. J. Parker's Six-Part No.

Tenor 22量 cwt.
Gerald King ... ... ...Treble William Weatherstone *Joseph Law
William Martin
... 4

William W. Fox ... ... 5 Charles H. Walker ... 6 Harry Warnett, Senr.... 7 Harry Norgate ... ...Tenor Harry Norgate

* First peal in the method with a bob bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs, W. W. Fox and to the conductor.

NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Frilay, March 14, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF DOB MAJOR, 5040 GNANGES:

From 'Shipway.'

Tom J. Butler
A. Victor Morgan John W. Jones ... John wor Jones ... Tenor I5 cwt.
Francis E. B. Charles
John Butler ...
J... Sidney Dawe Fred Atwell Fred Atwell
Red Atwell.
Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last mark of respect to the late Vicount Tredegar, Lord Lieutenant of the County (one of the noble 600 who took part in the Balaclava charge), and who was interred on this day at Bassaleg, near Newport.

## DORKING, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, March 14. 1913, in Treo Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Holt's Ten-Part.

Edward E. Dodd ... ...Tyeble anthor Eohn Rossell. ... ... ... | Arthur C. Otway | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | John H. White | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Al | .. | 5 |  |  |  |
| Alfred H. Winch | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | Arthur Dean... | .. |

 Conducted by A. H. Winch.
Rung on the occasion of the visit of the Lord Bishop of Winchester to dedicate the new South Chapel, erected as a memorial of the Rector's (Canon W. E. Chichester) twenty-five years' ministry.

## LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Ticenty two Minutes, At the Church of St. Mark,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORHICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES ; Tenor 23 cwt.
 Arthur Pettitt $\ldots . . . .4$ Josiah Morris... ...
Composed and Conducted by Ernest Morris.

* First peal of Major. $\dagger$ First peal in the method as conductor. The composition is now rung for the first time, and contains the 6 th its extent in 4 th's and 6th's at alternate course ends. Rung on the occasion of Confirmation Service by Bishop Mitchinson.


## LONDON.

THE ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Saturday, March 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicholas, Deptford, S.E.,
a PEAL OF Stedyan triples, 5040 changes;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
*Thomas H. Hawkins ...Treble
Thomas G. Deal ... ... 2

| Thomas G. Deal | ... | .. | 2 | Frank Bennett | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

William Shimmans ... ... 3 George H. Dains ... William Berry ... ... 4 Frederick H. Gooch ...Tenor Conducted by Frank Bennett.

- First peal of Stedman. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mirs. G. H. Daynes.

ECCLES, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATIUN On Saturday, March 15, 1913, in Three Hours, at the Church of St. Mary,

## A FEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.
J. Barrett
.Tyeble
Tenor $13 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt., in $F$ sharp.
$\ddagger$ E. Oldfield $\begin{array}{ccc}\ldots & \ldots & \text { Treble } \\ \ldots & \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots & \cdots & 3 \\ \ldots & \ldots & 4\end{array}$ . Shercliff J. Myles .. Conducted
$\qquad$
$\qquad$ Conducted by J. Myles

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal in the method. $\ddagger$ First peal with a bob bell. Also first peal as conductor, and rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the and and 5 th.


## BLACKBURN.

THE I.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Blackburn and Rochdale Branches.)
On Saturday, March 15, 1913, in Tqu Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes. At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Tenor I5 cwt.
Thomas Wilson...
Arthor Tomlinson ...Treble William Crabtree Alfred Brook

Conducted by
Conducte
Stedman.

* First peal of Stedman.

PONTEFRACT, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHAMGES;
Heywood's Irregular Six-Part, No. i. Tenor 1214 cwt .
Percy J. Johnson ... ...Treble | Francis Woodhead... ... 5
Arthur Walker ... ... 2
*Mark Tate ... ... ... 3 Thomas R. Hensher ... 7
*John W. Moorhouse ... 4 *Fred Cockell... ... ... Tehor Conducted by Thomas R. Hensher.

* First peal in the method.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, March 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-cight Minutes, At the Abbey Church of SS. Thomas and Edmund (R.C.),
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Johnson's Variation.
James E. Groves ... ...Treble Fredrick Dickens ... ... 2 John Neal ... ... ... ... 3 Samuel Grove Tenor 15 cwt., in F . Thomas Miller...$\quad$.. 5 James L. Wells ... ... 6 James George ... ... ... 7 Bernard W. Witchell Tenor Conducted by James E. Groves.
First peal in the method on the bells.

TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Satwday, March 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Ton Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Martin,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5216 CHANCES;

 Tenor $12 \frac{7}{}$ cwt.
BUSHEY, HERTS.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD, AND THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES; Tenor 13 cwt.
 Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Wifliam Pye.

LEATHERHEAD, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At the Chorch of SS. Mary and Nicholas,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tenor 20 cwt., in $E$ flat.

| Alfred H. Winch | ... | ..Treble | James E. Davis | .. | $\cdots$ | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |



| Ernest C. Boniface | $\cdots$ | 3 | John H. B. Hesse... |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Benjamin Morris | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 4 | Arthor Dean | 7 | Composed by F. Robinson, and Conducted by A. H. Winch.

This is the first peal of Treble Bob Major on the belle since 1829.

HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, March 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. John,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;


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

On Saturday, March 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Barnabas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Sir A. P. Heywood's Variation of Thurstans'.
Tenor 55 cwt. I qr. I 5 lbs., in $F$.
George F. Swann ... ...Treble $\mid$ Miss Margery F. Sampson 5
Thomas Russam... ... ... 2 William J. Meers ... ... 6
John Sanders ... ... ... 3 George Garrison ... ... 7
Jonathan Preston ... ... 4 Thomas Wells... ... ...Teroy
Conducted by George F. Swann.
Miss Margery F. Sampson was elected a member before starting and this was the first peal on the bells in which a lady has taken part. The ringers expressed their delight in ringing the peal.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHAHGES: Tenor ig cwt. 3 qr. 2 lbs., in $E$.
Samoel Greenhalgh ...Treble Thomas Botrrill ... ... 5
Alfred Barnes ... ... ... 2 Walter W. Wolstencroft 6
Joseph Lowe ... ... ... 3 Harry Chapman ... ...ñ7
Harry Washbrook ..... .4 4. 4 Joseph Ridyard...
Composed by George R. Newton, and
Conducted by Joseph Ridyard.
First peal ever rung in the method at Ashton-under-Lyne. W. W. Wolstencroft belongs to the local company.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## BLYTH, NOTTS

THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION On Tuesday, March 11. 1913, in Threc Hours,
At the Chtrch of SS. Mary and Martin,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES; 险
Being 720 each of Woodbine, Duke of York, New London Pleasure
Violet and Oxford, and two 720's of Kent called differently. Tenor I5 cwt.
Alfred Allison... ... ...Treble Frank H. Hind $\quad . . . \quad . . .4$
 Albert E. Eastland ... 3 Smith Eastland ... ...Tenor Conducted by J. H. Hind.
This is the first peal of Minor ever rung on the bells, and by.the Blyth company.

## LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(The Little Munden Society.)
On Thursday, March 13, 1913. in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of New London Pleasure, Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob.
Henty Carter ... ... ...T Treble | Arthur Phillips... ... 4
 Arthur Woolstan... ... ... 3 | William H. Lawrence Tenor Conducted by William H. Lawrence.

## NEWHALL, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-soven Minutes,
At the Church of St. John,
A PEAL OF BINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being 720 each of Double Bob, St. Clement's, Double Court, Single Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, and Plain Plain. Tenor in cwt.
George Baseley ... ...Trebls Herbert Hurdman ... 4
Charles Sanders $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ Albert P. Wakley ... 5 John Hough ... ... ... 3 David L. Cotron ... ...Tenor Conducted by D. L. Cotion.
Rung as a farewell peal to the conductor, who leaves Newhall for Canada, on March 26th..

## BUCKNALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## $A$ PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being 720 each of Coventry, Worcester, London, Wells, Lichfield, Bristol and Cambridge.
 Conducted by J. E. Wheeldon.

* First peal of Surprise. Rung at the first attempt, and as a birthday compliment to $E$. Tigwell.


## WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF BOB BINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720 's each called differently. Tenor Iol $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. *Thomas Beckett ... ...Tyeble| Albert J. L. Naunton... 4 Clayton Parnell ..... .12 John Spencer ...... George E. Naunton ... 3 Francis W. Natnton ...Tenoy

Conducted by Francis W. Naunton

* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor as conductor. Arranged for Mr. T. Beckett, of Barsham.

MALDON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
(The Maldon and District Goild.)
On Saturday, March 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;

Being 720 each of Norwich Surprise, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Cambridge Surprise, New London Pleasure, Woodbine and Kent.
Ebenezer W. Finch
...Treble
Alfred South ... ... ... 2
Harold Finch ... ... ... 3
Thomas C. Gozzett
Horace J. Mansfield … 5 Fred Chalk ... ... ...Tenor
Conducted by Horace J. Mansfield.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Alfred South.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

OXHEY, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, March 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Taenty-seven-and-a-halfMinutes,
At 43, Heath Road,
A PEAL OF STEOMAN CINQUES, 5555 GHANGES;

| Hobert Eden...... | $\ldots$ | I-2 | E. Maurice Atrins | .. | $7-8$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Hodgetts | $\ldots$ | $3-4$ | George N. Price | ... | $9-10$ | | William Hodgetts | $\cdots$ | $3-4$ | George N. Price | $\ldots$ | $9-10$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| George E. Howchin | $\cdots$ | $5-6$ | Frank T. Martin | $\ldots$ | in-i2 | Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by George N. Price.

> Umpire: Thomas L. Simmons.

The conductor has called a different peal of Stedman Triples, Caters and Cinques from each pair of bells, comprising in all 77.955 changes in 44 hours and 26 minutes, and is the first person to call a peal from each pair of bells.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Tuesday, March 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

At the Residence of A. H. Pulling,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Holt's Original.

Septimus Radford $\square$ | Septimps Radford | $\ldots$ | I-2 | Madrice Smither | .. | .. | $5-6$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alfred H. Polling | $\ldots$ | $3-4$ | Wiliam Smith | $\ldots$ | .. | $7-8$ | Conducted by Alfred H. Polling. W. Smith hails from Loughborough.

## LONDON. <br> THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurslay, March 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At George IV., Bronswick Street, Haggerston,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATER8, 5019 CHANGES;
Bertram Prewett $\quad . . \quad$ I- $2 \left\lvert\, \begin{array}{llllll}\text { William Pye ... } & \text {... } & \text {... } & 5-6\end{array}\right.$ George R. Pye ... ... 3-4 Ernest Pye ... ... ... 7 - 8 Alfred W. Grimes... ... 9-ro
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by William Pye.
Umpires: C. T. Coles and W. Hewett.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. W. Grimes, mother of the ringer of $9-\mathrm{Io}$.

## HARWICH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thirsday, March 13, 1913, in Two Hours,
At the Residence of Mr. A. T. Morris,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES;

Arthur T. Morris $\quad . . \quad$ I- $2 \left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll}\text { Thomas H. Bernard ... } & \text { 5-6 }\end{array}\right.$ George Thompson $\quad \cdots \quad 3-4$ Tower Taylor $\quad . .$. Composed by G. Patrick, and Conducted by A. T. Morris.

FYLINGDALES, YORKSHIRE.
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTII YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, March 16, 1913, in Tiio Hours and Twenty-five Minutes, In the Belfry of St. Stephen's Church,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Albert Coates ... ... y-2 | George F. Alexander ... 5-6 John W. Lowther ... 3-4 |Frank S. Hodgson ... 7 - 8

Composed and Conducted by G. F. Alexander.

* First peal of Major on handbells.


## NETHERTON COMPLEX MAJOR.

Under this title, Mr. Alfred Davies, of Netherton, Dudley, sends us the following method for publication. It is on the lengthening lead plan, with the treble a plain hunt bell, and it contairs lalf the changes to be found in the corresponding lead of Bristol Surprise. In common with Bristol, it also has this feature that a bell doing front work never gets above 4th's for three leads, and when doing the work behind never gets below 5th's.

| 12345678 |
| ---: |
| 21436587 |
| 24135678 |
| 42315768 |
| 24351786 |
| 23457168 |
| 32547618 |
| 23456781 |
| 24365871 |
| 42638517 |
| 24368157 |
| 23461875 |
| 32416857 |
| 23146587 |
| 21345678 |
| 12436587 |
| 14263857 |
| Bob |
| 14235678 |
| Single |
| 12435678 |

TEWKESBURY.-The Gloucester and Bristol Dioeesan Asscciation. -Om March 9th, for evening service, at the Abbey Church of St. Mary the Virgin, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 48 mins.: W. Hampton 1, F. S. Wilson 2, R. II. Witherington 3, C. W. Dyson 4, John Wathen 5, T. Devereux 6. Jos. Wathen (conductor) 7, Wm. Haines 8. The above was rung as a birthday compliment to Jos. Wathen, and also to celebrate the completion of his fifty years' service to the Abbey Church Society as xinger and conductor.
CAMBRIDGE.-At Great St. Mary's, on March 10th, 395 Grandsire Caters, 108 Stedman Caters, 120 Kent Treble Bob Royal: W. B. Kempton 1, G. Taylor 2, H. Mansfield 3, Rev. A. H. F. Boughey 4. J. laylor 5 A. Wilkerson 6, P. Taylor 7. T. R. Dennis 8, J. H. R. Frecborm (conductor) 9, F. E. Kempton 10. Also a course of Grandsire Triples.

## ST. PETER'S BELLS, COLCHESTER. DEDICATION OF NEW PEAL.

The bells of St. Peter's, Colchester, were re-dedicated at a special service on Thursday week by the Lord Bishop of Colchester (Dr. Whitcombe), who was ossisted by the Rev. C. Triffit Ward (Vicar), and the Rev. E. J. Goodchild (curate). In addition to the recasting of the bells, two steel girders have been placed under the frame to strengthen it. The first six bells bear the names of those providing for the recasting, viz.: Treble, the Rev. C. Trifit Ward, Vicar, and Mrs. Triffit Ward 2nd, the Churchwardens, Messrs. A. Polley and T. M. Loyd; 3rd, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Simkin; 4th, the Executors of the late Miss Walker; 5th, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Frost; 6th, Miss Hewitt and Mr. W. W. Hewitt, of Dedham. The inscription on the tenor bell is as follows: "This peal of eight bells, cast in 1763 by Lester and Pack, of London; Rev. W'm. Symthies, Vicar; Robt. Duke, Jas. Robgent, Ohurchwardens; was recast 1913, O. Triffit Ward, Vicar; A. Polley, T. M. Loyd, Churehwardens. This bell was recast at the expense of the parishioners, congregation and friends.'

There was a large congregation at the dedication service, which was conducted by the Vicar. The hymns included: "Rejoice to day with one accord," and " Praise the Lord! ye heavens adore Him," and Psalm 150 was also sung. Immediately after the dedicatory prayers, the bells were rung as the clergy were returning to the chancel. The Bishop preached an appropriate sermon, taking his text from PsaIm cxiv, 10 , "All thy works praise Thee, O Lord, and thy saints shall bless Thee." Having traced the history of bell making and referred to the romantic history of many churoh bells, and the notes of joy and aomow they had uttered through the ages, the Bishop concluded vith am earnest address to the bell ringers, urging them to do all their work to the glory of God, saying that there was a danger that in the practice of an art, they might forget the inspiration which gave birth to it. The highest effect would be reached, and the truest service rendered only when they who listened to those bells, knew that they were never touched, their medodies never evoked, but by devoted servants of Jesus Christ. - The Vicar having mentioned that the sum of $£_{50}$ was still needec to complete payment, a collection was taken dur ing the singing of the concluding hymn, "The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended.'

After the service, the rollowing touohes were rung: 224 Bob Major, 112 Grandsire Trip!es, 288 Kent Treble Bob, and a course of Double Norwich, by the members of the local oompany: Messrs. A. Burch, G Burch, W. Burch, G W. Dixon, F. L. Bumpstead W. Button, W Chalk, HI Evers, S. Hull, H. T. Pye, W. J. Schofield and E. W. Stan nard, and the following visitors: Messrs. W. J. Nevard (Great Bentley), G. Lindridge (Ashford, Kent), Jas. Newman (Feering), and E. Denison Taylor (Loughborough), representing Messrs. John W. Taylor and Co.

The weights of the bells are as follow: Treble, 4 cwt. 3 prs. 4 lbs. $2 \mathrm{nd}, 5 \mathrm{cwt} .1$ qr. $5 \mathrm{lbss} ; 3 \mathrm{rd}, 6 \mathrm{cwt} .0 \mathrm{qrs} .17 \mathrm{lbs} . ; 4 \mathrm{th}, 7 \mathrm{cwts} .1 \mathrm{qr}$ 7 lbs. ; 5th, 9 cwts. 1 ar. 19 lbs. ; 6th, 11 cwts. 1 qr. 5 lbs.; 7 th, 15 cwts 1 qr. 2 lbs. ; tenor, 21 ewts. 0 qrs. 17 lbs., in E flat (diameter 4 feet 1 3-8 inch). The bells have heen tuned upon the five-tone principle and the whole work reffects great credit upon the well-known founders, Messrs. Taylor and Co.

## AN UNIQUE RECORD.

Mr: George N. Price, of Watford, has just completed an unique performance by calling a different peal of Stedman Triplcs, Caters and Cinques, from each pair of bells. Mr. Price is the first to accomplish this feat, and in addition he has conducted Carter's Odd-Bob peal of Triples from each pair. The composition of Stedman Triples called from 1-2 and 5-6 had not been previously rung on handbells. An the peals of Caters and Cinques had the turning course at the end, thus enhancing the difficulty of the performanoe, and had it not been for two of the peals of Caters (those called from 1-2 and 9-10) having the same coming-round, all would have had different going off and homing courses both in Caters and Cinques.

Appended is the list of peals and the dates of performance:STEDMAN TRIPLES.

| 1-2 | 'Thurstans' Five-part | Sept. 6, 1905. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3-4 | Thurstans' One-part | Jan. 16, 1908. |
| 5-6 | J. J. Parker's One-part | Jan. 23, 1908. |
| 7-8 | Cartor's Odd-Bob One-part STEDMAN CATERS. | Aug. 28, 1906. |
| 1-2 | 5002 F. Dinch | Mar. 23, 1905. |
| 3-4 | 5555 G. Lindoff | May 26, 1907. |
| 5-6 | 6591 C. H. Hattersley | Sept. 5, 1908. |
| 7-8 | 5009 N. J. Pitstow | June 1, 1907. |
| 9-10 | 5003 C. H. Hattersley STEDMAN CINQUES. | Mar. 20, 1912 |
| 1-2 | 5019 C. H. Hattersley | Jan. 1, 1913. |
| 3 -4 | 5014 John Carter | June 19, 1912. |
| 5-6 | 5002 C. H. Hattersley | May 8, 1912. |
| 7-8 | 5021 John Carter | Jan. 29, 1913. |
| $9-10$ | 5555 John Carter | Mar. 9, 1912. |
| 11-12 | 5027 John Carter | Feb. 26, 1913. |

Peal cards 1s. 1d. per dozen, post free. Order and remittance must acompany the peal when sent us for publioation.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A VISIT TO ASH.
A party consisting mostly of six-bell ringers, met at Ash-next-Sandwich, on Saturday, for tine opportunity of ringing some touches on eight. For alout a couple of hours the bells were kept groing to short touches of Bob Major and Grandsire Triples, and on each occasion that the bells oame round, somebody had rung their first touch on eight, or in the method. Afterwards, in the Ringers' Arms (The Lion), a soclal hour was spent with the local band, and Stedman Triples and Caters. were rung in hand.
Only three peals seem to have been rung on the bells, the dates of which (as far as local information goes), are No. 1 by the Quex Park band early in the last century; No. 2 in the ' 80 's again by a Birchington band, and the last one by a mixed band from the Canterbury district in 1905. The "go " of the bells showed the visitors the attention paid by the genial local steeplekeeper, Mr. Martin, and we hope before long to record the first peals of Stedman and Major on them.
The following are the members who rang: Messss. E. Buesden, F. Brett, C. Brett, F. A. Holden, H. C. Casole, E. Kemp, F. Rogers, J. Trinder, F. Fenm, Harrison Smith, and S. While, and all wish to thank the Vicar for his kind permission, and the local secretary (Mr. F. Wells) for meeting them and arranging for the visit.

## BELLS DEDICATED AT FINEDON.

FINE NEW PEAL FOR NORTHANTS.
Tho restoration of the bells at Finedon, Northants, has just been completed as a memorial to the late Miss Ellen Mackworth Dolben, and the dedication took place, in the presence of a large congregation, on Saturday. The service was conducted ly the Vicar (the Rev. J. E. Greaves), the dedicatory prayers being read by the Archdeacon of Oakham, while the Rev. F. E. Willis (Rector of Uffington Stamford) was the preacher.
The work of recasting five of the bells and rehanging the whole peal in a new frame has been admirably carried out by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, and the peal, with a tenor of 22 cwt., now ranks among one of the finest in the county.
Mr. Cyril Johnston and Mr. Taylor were present at the dedication to represent the firm, and among others who attended were: Mr. F. Wilford (general eecretary of the Central Northants Association), Mr. W. Perkins (district secretary), Mr. E. M. Atkins (London), and about 30 ringers. Everyone was satisfied that the work had been very satisfactorily carried out, and it reflected great credit on the founders. It is intended to have a gathering of the members of the Central North. amptonshiro Association, on Saturday, March 29th, to celebrate the restoration of the ring.

## 5376 DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.



| 42536 |  | - |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 32645 | - | - |
| 52346 | - | - |
| 25643 |  | - |
| 35246 | - | - |
| 53642 | - | - |
| 23546 |  |  |

The whole repeated. Contaims the 6th its full extont in 4th's and 6th's at alternate course-ends.

Rung for the first time at St. Mark's, Leicester, on Maroh 15th, 1913, conducted by the composer

## A DATE TOUCH.

At the Parish Church, Hull, on March 11th, a dato touch of Grandsire Triples ( 1913 changes), in 1 hr .15 mins., was rung by: F. Dale 1, H. Jenkins 2, E. Cutsforth 3, H Riodwoll 4, G. Dowling 5, C. Jaokson (composer and conductor) 6, L. Rodwell 7, F. Merrison 8. The odd changes in the touch are as follows:-

1234567
Start at back stroke 1243657 2146375 1264735
2167453
2614735
6217453
6124735
1642375
1463257
Afterwards call bobs at $1,3,18,4,4,2,1,5,4$, giving 523467. Thereafter bobs at 2, 3, 2, 5s, 1, 3, 1, 4, 4, 2, 1, 5, 4, giving 452367. Repeat this last part twice brings the bells round. The touch inoludes the 24 6-7's at baokstroke.

## BOB MAJOR COMPOSITIONS.

The following are some further peals, upon which Mr. J. A. Trollope, one of the greatest authorities on composition in the Plain Bob Method, has expressed friendly criticism.

AN IRREGULAR 5-PART PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056, By Thomas Bloore, Sutton Coldfield.


Has only 4, 5, 6 in 6th's place, with all the 65 's and 56 's.
Mr. Bloore calls h:3 5058 an rregular " five-part." It is irregular but it is not on the five-pari plan of composition in any sense. The use of the singles is ugly and unnecessary.


By George Lewis, Ecclesfield.

| 5008 |  |  |  |  | 5008C |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 23456 | W | B | M | H | 23456 | W | B | M | H |
| 52436 | - |  |  |  | 52364 | - | - |  | - |
| 43265 | -- | - | - | - | 35264 |  |  |  | - |
| 64235 | - |  |  |  | 23564 |  |  |  | - |
| 23645 | - |  |  | - | 62345 | - | - |  | - |
| 62345 |  |  |  | - | 36245 |  |  |  | - |
| 36245 |  |  |  | - | 23645 |  |  |  | - |
| 24365 | - |  |  | - | 56234 | - |  | - | - |
| 32465 |  |  |  | - | 25634 |  |  |  |  |
| 63254 | - | - |  | - | 2.5346 |  | - |  | - |
| 26354 |  |  |  | - | 32546 |  |  |  | - |
| 32654 |  |  |  | - | 53246 |  |  |  | - |
| 53246 | - | - |  | - | 24365 | - | - | - | - |
| 25346 |  |  |  | - | 32465 |  |  |  | - |
| 32546 |  |  |  | - | 63425 | - |  |  |  |
| 54326 | - |  |  | - | 26435 | - |  |  |  |
| 35264 |  | - | - | - | 43265 | - |  |  |  |
| 23564 |  |  |  | - | 26354 | - | - | - | - |
| 52364 |  |  |  | - | 37654 |  |  |  | - |
| 35426 | - |  | - |  | 63254 |  |  |  | - |
| 42356 | - |  |  | - | 42356 |  |  | - | - |
| 34256 |  |  |  |  | 34256 |  |  |  |  |
| 32456 |  |  |  | S | 32456 |  |  |  | S |



These two peals contain the full combination of 4-5-6 in 5-6, with 23 never in 6th's place, in the leasb possible number of ehanges. By jouning calling beginning at C to that beginning at $\mathrm{B}, 5024$ is obtainer by repeating A, 5056; by joining $O$ to $A, 5072$, and by repeating $C$, 5088. Either of the original peals or variations can be started Erom any course-end where 2-3 or 3-2 come together in front, making a total of 72 variations, each containing the full combination of 4-5-6 in 5-6, with 2-3 nerver in 6th's place.
Mr. Lewis's peals have a great claim to be consilered original, and are decidedly musical.

By J. J. Brierley. 1888.


Three times repeated single, half-way and end.
I give the foregoing composition as the best in the method, caling everything into consideration, music, simplicity, and saikabiliy far ringing.
J. A. TROLLOPR
A. PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE 6496.

BY HENRY DAING, ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS

| 29456 | M | W | H | 56423 | 14 | W | F |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 45236 |  | - | - | 46325 | - |  | - |
| 24536 |  |  | - | 53824 | -1 |  | - |
| 52436 |  |  | - | B 63425 | - |  |  |
| A 64235 | - |  | - | 43526 | - |  |  |
| 26435 |  |  | - | 62534 | - | - | - |
| 42635 |  |  | - | 35436 | - | - |  |
| 56234 | - |  | - | 42356 |  | - | - |
| 25634 |  |  | - | 54326 |  | - |  |
| 63254 |  | - | - | 32546 |  | - | - |
| 26854 |  |  | - | 53246 |  |  | - |
| 32654 |  |  | - | 25346 |  |  | - |
| 65333 |  | -- | - | 31256 |  | - | - |
| 36534 |  |  | - | 23456 |  |  | - |
| 45623 | - |  | -. |  |  |  |  |
| 64523 |  |  | - |  |  |  |  |
| 66123 |  |  | - |  |  |  |  |

This composition, in 29 courses, contains the greatest number of changes obtained in this method with the tenors together ard without the 2nd in 6th's place at course ends. By calling a "Before" after 26435, and omitting tine bobs bracketed at M-and adding a bob $\mathbf{H}^{*}$, the changes are reduced to 5056 .

By adding a bob W to the calling of course $\mathbf{A}$, course $\mathbf{B}$ is produed reducing the composition to 14 courses, which runs tree to as 5040 New Cambridge Surprise Royal.

STREATHAM.-On Sunday evening, Dec. 29th, 1912, at St. Leanard's, a quarter-peal of Kent Troble Bob Major ( 1280 changes): H. Pates 1, A. J. Perkins (conductor) 2, G. Edsor 3, 1. J. Attwater 4, F. Pates 5, L. Attwater 6, C. Daniels 7, F. Hardy 8. This quarter-peal is in three courses, with the 4th in 6th's place, with bobs at "bome" fall

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Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the College Youths. Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association.
Cambridge Surorise Maximus by the College Youths. Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on May 11th, 1912.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association, June 1st.
Stedman Cinques by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17th.
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# BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS. PETERBOROUGH. 

By J. R. Jerram.

Among the early records relating to Peterborough bells we find that Abbot John de Caleto gave a great bell to the monastery of Peterborough in 1250 ; and a little later Richard de London, sacrist, gave two more bells. Several odd bells are mentioned in the inventory taken in 1539 (see "Church Bells of Northamptonshire," pp. 363-4, by the late Mr. T. North.

Passing over the very early times, we find that a heavy peal of ten bells was hanging in the tower at the time of the Commonwealth. It is recorded that Cromwell's soldiers were quartered in the Cathedral for some time, and that they used to amuse themselves by jangling the bells at all hours, night and day; much to the annoyance of the inhabitants of Peterborough, who managed secretly to re-


Peterborough Cathedral.
move the clappers and hide them, and so put a stop to the nuisance. The tenor of this peal must have weighed nearly 60 cwt .

In ryog the Dean and Chapter entered into an agreement with Henry Penn, the Peterborough bell-founder, whose foundry was on the east side of Broad Bridge Street, to cast a tuneable peal of ten bells out of the four largest of the above-mentioned peal with a little additional metal; taking the six front bells in payment for his work in casting and hanging the new bells. It may be also mentioned that in addition l'enn gave $£ 50$ towards "adorning the altar.'"
A peal of ten bells, with a tenor weighing about 32 cwt , was then put up, which bore the following inscriptions :Treble.
CANTEMVS.DOMINO.CANTICVM.NOVVM.HENRY.
PENN.FVSORE. 1709.
Second.
VENITE.EXVLTEMVS.DOMINO.WILLIAM.WARING. PRECENT : 1709.

## Third.

GLORIA.DEO.IN.EXCELSIS.RICHARD.CVMBERLAND.PRAB :HENRY.PENN.FVSORE.r7og. Fourth.
VOCE.MEA.AD.DOM :IOHN.BALDERSTON.D.D. PRÆB : Iヶo.

Fifth.
BENEDICTVM.SIT.NOMEN.DOMINI.IOHN.
TAYLOR.A.M.PRAB: 1709.
Sixth.
TE.DECET.HYMNVS.RICH: RYNOLDS.L.L.D. PRAEB: HENRY.PENN.FVSORE.I7O9. Seventh.
PSALLAM.DEO.MEO.QVAMDIV.SVM.THO : BALL.PR艮B: 1709. Eighth.
MAGNIFICATE.DOMINVM.MECVM.IOHN.EVANS. PRÆB: HEN : PENN.FVSORE.r709. Nintl.

## TE.DEVM.LAVDAMVS.WHITE.KENNETT.SS.T.P. DECANO.HENRY.PENN.FVSORE.r7Og. 'Tent.

PACEM.TE.POSCIMVS.OMMES.CONCORDIE.RES. PARVÆ.CRESCVNT.iŋog.RICHD CVMBERLAND.EPo.
After being in use for over 120 years the ninth bell became cracked. At that time the tower was supposed to be in an unsafe condition, and it was resolved to sell the five front bells, with the idea of reducing the strain thereon. Though there is no doubt that if it was capable of standing the strain of the five heavier bells, it would easily have stood that of the five lighter ones. The five front bells were then sold to William Dobson, bell-founder, of Downham, Norfolk, who recast the old ninth (now the fourth) at the same time, with the following inscription :-HERBERT MARSH, D.D., BISHOP OF PETERBOROUGH; THOS TURTON, D.D., DEAN OF PETERBOROUGH; WILLIAM STRONG, D.D., ARCHDEACON OF NORTHAMPTON ; JOHN JAMES, D.D., Wm MC’DONALL, M.A. ; Wm TOURNAY, D.D. ; JOSh STEPn PRATT, L.L.B.; S. MADAM, D.D. \& THOS HUGHES, B.D. PREBENDARIES, 183 r.

With regard to Henry Penn, the bell-founder, he carried on business until 1729 . In 1723 he cast a peal of eight for St. Ives, which did not satisfy the authorities there, and who refused to pay for the work. The matter ended in a law suit which dragged on until 1729; when the case was finally settled in Penn's favour at the Summer Assizes held at St. Ives in that year. But, sad to relate, as he was mounting his horse to return home he suddenly fell down dead, presumably from the effects of over excitement.

## RINGERS' CHAPEL AT LINCOLN.

## PROPOSED RESTORATION.

At Lincoln Cathedral there is a ringers' chapel. It is, perhans, better known as St. Hugh's Clapel, and for many years has been dismantled and uncared for. As long ago as the vear 1612 it was the home of "The Company of Ringers of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Lincoln.'" and it is felt to be a reproach that it should remain now in a dilapidated condition. From time to time small sums have been set apart by members of the Diocesan Guild to form a fund. This now amounts to $£ 183 \mathrm{~s}$. 8d.. and it is hoped that it will become the nucleus of a fund for the restoration of the chapel. which. it is estimated, will cost upwards of £300. The committee of the Northern Branch of the Lincoln Guild are appealing to all ringers and to those interested in ringing and archrolog. for sontributions to complete the work. The treasurers of the fund are the Dean of Limeoln, who is President of the Guild, and Mr. F. F. Linley, Rank House, Gainsborough, President of the Northern Branch. Donations may be sent to the latter, or to the District Secretary.

## ODD CHANGES.

Among the meetings which have been fixed for next Monday are the following :-

Archdeaconry of Stafford, annual, at Walsall.
Bedfordshire, annual, at Bedford.
Cleveland and North Yorkshire, at Whitby.
Ely Diocesan, annual, at Bury St. Edmunds.
Essex, North-Eastern District, at Colchester.
Hertfordshire, annual, at St. Albans.
Midland Counties, annual, at Leicester.
North Wales, annual, at Bangor.
Peterborough and District, at Huntingdon. Surrey, at Epsom.
Worcestershire and Districts, annual, at Stourbridge. Winchester Diocesan, Portsmouth District, at Fareham.

The old established firm of Charles Carr, Ltd., of Woodland Works, Smethwick, have recently had the honour of being placed on the Crown agents list for the Colonies, for alloys and anti-friction metals, castings in all non-ferreous metals and bells. Messrs. Carr report business as good, they having in hand several important contracts for re-hanging work, also large orders for the British and Foreign Governments.

We are glad to note that the appeal that has been made for funds to recast the cracked tenor at Long Stanton is meeting with a good responsc. There is not much left now to be done; let that little be done quickly. Every mickle makes a muckle, and the Vicar (the Rev. H. B. Woolley), who worked so hard to get the peal augmented to eight, will welcome the smallest contributions.
Among the members of the Oxford Guild are no fewer than 34 ladies.

As a result of the letter from Dr. A. H. Nichols, which appeared in these columns, we are pleased to learn that the district of Boston, U.S.A., where there are now several peals of beils in ringing order, is likely soon to have a competent band of change ringers, recruited from this country. If the Art becomes firmly established in the States, as a result of this, there will be a great deal to thank Dr. Nichols for.

Mr. Lawrence Thomas Henry Seers, who has been a ringer at the Church of St. Mary, Rye, Sussex, for 14 years, has been, with four other nominees, elected unopposed upon the Rye Board of Guardians. However, if a fight had taken place, he would have probably received sufficient support at the poll to occupy a seat in the Board Room, as he is well-known, having resided in Rye for many years.
His services to the Rye belfry have been and are highly valued. We tender to him our congratulations upon his election, and wish him success in his public career.
In our last issue we mentioned that the month of March saw the anniversaries of several great performances of the past. Next Monday is the anniversary of the first true peal of "Real Double Twelve In,", which, according to the "Clavis," was rung by the Society of College Youths on March 24th, 1784, composed and called by Mr. John Povey.

Two days later the Ancient Sinciety of College Youths rang 6048 in the same method at St. Saviour's, Southwark. These were peals of Double Bob Maximus with two bobs in one lead.

In our biographical sketch of Mr. J. E. Groves last week we stated that he and Mr. John Carter were the only two ringers who had rung peals in the Grandsire method on all numbers of bells from Triples to Maximus. There are, however, two other ringers who have accomplished this-Messrs. J. George (Rugby) and T. Russam (Birmingham).
Recently we pointed out $\stackrel{*}{*}$ ow the " "Ringing World" had been taken to Land's End, and inquired how near it had got to John O'Groats. We have quickly got an answer. Not only has it been taken as far north as John O'Groats, but even to far off Lerwick in the Shetlands. Mr. C. H. Bernard, of Harwich, spent five months in Fortrose, Scotland, Long Hope and Kirkwall in the Orkneys, and Lerwick in the Shetlands, and the "Ringing World" was sent to him regularly while there.

In writing us upon this matter he asks if change ringing has entirely died out at Inverness. Perhaps some of our Scottish ringers can enlighten us.

## DEATH OF A ROCHESTER RINGER.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of Mr. William J. Baker, of Rochester. The sad event took place on Sunday week. The deceased, who was 56 years of age, was for more than 38 years \& ringer at St. Marcaret's Church and Cathedral, Rochester, of which city he was a native. A cooper by trade, he was a man of a vers cheerful disposition, although having suffered for several years. He never marrief.

As a ringer he was a man of rare ability, with a fine ear for music. A good striker, he was the leader of St. Margaret's band of ringers for many years, and a member of the Kent County Association from its institution. He was also a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths. Although he did not ring many preals, it was not for want of enthusiasm, but owing to his suffering from bronchitis most of his peals he rang at Gillingham, as this was the only peal of eight in the district until late years; in fact, most of his changs ringing he learned on Gillingham bolls. The following are the peals he rang: Grandsire Triples, 3, conducted, 1; Stedman Triples, 1; Double Norwich Major, 1; Kent Treble Bob Major, 1; Superlative Surprise Major, 1; Cambridge Surprise, 1. These Surprise peals were the first Surprise peals by the Kent County Association. His loss will be much felt at St. Margaret's.
The int
The interment tomk rlace on Saturdav afternoon iast, at St. Margarets cemetery, the first portion of the eervice being said in the Church. There were many mourners, including his four brothers, several other relatives and friends, the whole of St. Margaret's ringers, and members from the Cathedral and Gillingham bands. Numerous floral wreaths were sent from relatives, follow workers and friends; and one, in the shape of a bell, from the St. Margaret's ringers. In the evening, at St. Margaret's Churd, touches of Grandsire Triples wire rung with the bells muffled, as a last tribute of respect.

## DEATH OF A YORKSHIRE RINGER.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Henry Cutts, of Royston, Yorks, took place on Sunday, March 9th, after a lingering illness. The deceased, who was 54 vears of age, was interred on Thursday week at Royston Cemetery, in the presence of relatives, friends and ringers from surrounding towers.
Harry Cutts, as he was familiarly known, was one that Minor ringers delighted to meet. He soared to great heights in Treble Bob Minor, although of late years his practice was restricted, for, being the last of a once famous brad, whioh has never been replaced, he had to stand alone in his native rillage. No reoord of his peals appears to have been lept, but if it had been it would have made a rery creditable record.

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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 27th; Southwark Cathedral on the 25th; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays; St. Magnus at $7 \cdot 30$, the others at 8 p .m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-The annual meeting will be held at Walsall on Easter Monday. Bells available: St. Matthew's (io) and Rushall (6) from in a.m. Rushall tower penny tram from The Bridge. Short service at St. Matthew's at 4. Tea at 4.30 in Masonic Hall, High Street, is. each. General meeting to follow.-H. Knight, Honorary Secretary, $\mathrm{I}_{5}$, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-The annual meeting will be held at Stourbridge on Easter Monday, March 24th. Service, with address by the Rev. Stanhope Newland, Vicar, in St. Thomas' Church at 1.45 prompt. General meeting in the Foresters' Hall, High Street, at 2.30 . Bells available : St. Thomas (8), Oldswinford (8) and Wollaston (6). Subscriptions should be paid to the branch secretaries and reports obtained in the Choir Vestry between 12 and I. The peal book will also be on view there.-J. R. Newman, Honorary Secretary, Bransford, Worcester.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting will take place at Bury St. Edmunds on Easter Monday, March 24 th. Service, with address by Rev. H. B. Woolley, of Long Stanton, will be held in St. James' Church, i2.30 p.m. Bells available: St. James' (io), St. Mary's (8), Horringer (8), Rougham (6), Great Barton (6), Fornham St. Martin (6). Dinner, followed by business meeting, will be held at the Suffolk Hotel at I. 15 p.m., is. members, 2 s. non-members.-T. R. Dennis, General Secretary, 33, Clarendon Street, Cambridge.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - The thirty-first annual meeting will be held at Leicester on Easter Monday, March 24th. The bells at St. Margaret's, St. Martin's, St. Mark's and St. John's will be available for ringing from $10.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Committee meeting at 3 o'clock in the High Cross Coffee House, followed by tea (1s. each) and general meeting at 4 o'clock. The towers will be closed during the tea and meeting.--W. E. White, Honorary Secretary.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday, March 24 th, 19 I 3 . Towers open at 2 p.m. : St. Peter's (ro), Cathedral (8), St. Stephen's (6), St. Michael's (6). Ringing can be had upon the peals of six earlier in the day by communicating direct to respective conductors. Service in the Cathedral (choral) 5 p.m., with short address by the Rev. Canon Lord William Gascoigne Cecil, Rector of Hatfield. Tea and business meeting in the Abbev Institute adjoining, immediately after service, for election of officers and other business. Secretaries are asked to communicate the probable number of their band attending by first post on Easter Monday to enable satisfactory tea arrangements to be made. Meat tea 6 d. each to members; other ringers, who will be heartily welcomed, is. 3d. each. -G. W. Cartmel, Honorary, Secretaty, Duffield, St. Albans.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE AS-SOCIATION.-The Easter Meeting will be held at Whitby on Easter Monday (March 24th, 19 [3). Bells of the Parish Church (ro, tenor $18 \frac{1}{2}$ cwts.) available all day. Dinner at Botham's Cafe, 12.30 p.m. prompt, members I/-s, non-members 2 s. -T. Metcalfe, Honorary Secretary, 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North Eastern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Colchester on Easter Monday. The bells of St. Peter (8), which have recently heen re-cast, and All Saints (5), will be available from II o'clock till 7. Tea $1 /-$ each, followed by meeting, will be held in Parish Room adjoining St. Peter's, at 4.30.-A. Shufflebotham, District Secretary, Sandpit Road, Braintree.

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Bangor on Easter Monday. Business meeting at $2.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the schoolroom. Bells available all day. All ringers welcome.-H. Moore, junr., Honorary Secretary, Pentrefelin, Wrexham.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be held in Bedford on Easter Monday. Committee meeting at the Church House, St. Paul's Square, at ir a.m. Dinner at All Hallows' Mission Koom at I. General Meeting after dinner. The bells at St. Paul's (io) will be available except from II to 12 , and from 5 to 6 , and at St. Peter's (6) except from $3 \cdot 30$ to $5 \cdot 30$ - A. Rust, Hon. Sec.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-The quarterly meeting will be held on Easter Monday, March 21st, at Epsom. Both towers (St. Martin's and Christ Church) will be available for ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service at St. Martin's at 5 p.m. Tea at $5.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting after. -Cyril S. Johnston, Hon. Sec., Bell Foundry, Croydon.

PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIA-TION.-A meeting will be held at Huntingdon on Easter Monday. Bells, St. Mary's (8). All Saints (6), available afternoon and evening. Tea at Plumb's, Confectioner, gd. each. Meeting, St. Mary's Room. Short service, 5 o'clock, at St. Mary's. All ringers welcome.-Will those intending being present please notify F. T. Cooke, Hon. Sec., 195, Gladstone Street, Peterborough.
LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED sOC-IETY.-The annual meeting will be held at Leeds on Easter Monday, March 24th. Bells ( 12 ) available all day. Business meeting at the Royal Oak Hotel at 7 o'clock. - Frank R. Cundale, Secretary, 24, Recreation View, Holbeck, Leeds.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASEO-CIATION.-S. Ignatius the Martyr, Sunderland. - To celebrate the completion of the octave at the above church by the addition of two trebles a gathering of the members of the Association will be held on Easter Monday, March 24th. The bells will be available for ringing from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tea will be served in the Parish Hall, Burlington Road, at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those intending to be present are asked kindly to inform Mr. J. W. Parker, 5, Amberley Street, Sunderland.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. - The meeting of this society arranged for Easter Monday at Mansfield is cancelled. I also wish to remind members of the alteration to Rule 4, passed at the last annual meeting, viz., "All nominations for any of the officers' positions to be in the hands of the secretary by March 315t."一J. E.
L. Cockiey, Honorary Secretary, ir, Havelock Street, Sheffield.
S. MARY'S, TWYFORD, BERKS.-The new ring of eight bells will be dedicated on Easter Tuesday, March 25th. Service at 3 p.m. All ringers welcome. Those intending to be present kindly notify same to F. Dentry, Church Street, 'Twyford, Berks.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-A special ringing meeting will be held at Finedon on Saturday, March 29th. The new peal of bells will be ready at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 4.30 (lasting 20 minutes). Tea in the Star Hall at 5 p.m. Will those requiring tea kindly let me know by the 26 th? -W. Perkins, District Secretary, 6, Addington Road, Irthlingborough.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -A branch meeting will be held at Rishton on Saturday, March 29th, ig13. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be held at St. John the Baptist's, Hillingdon, by kind permission of the Rev. C. M. Harvey, on Saturday, March 29th, 1913. A service will. be held at 5 p.m. Tea at 6 o'clock, 7 d . each, and meeting to follow. The business will include the election of a new president, and any alteration of the rules consequent thereon, to make it effective. The following towers will be open for ringing: St. John the Baptist's (ro) from 2 p.m. and St. Andrew's (8) from 3 p.m. All are welcome.-C. T. Coles, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow, H. C. Chandler, Church Road, Heston, Honorary Secretaries.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The committee will meet at Oxford on Saturday, April 5th. "Motions" for the agenda must be sent to me not later than Saturday, March i5th.-Albert E. Reeves, Secretary, 5, Fatherson Road, Reading.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Great Hampton, on Saturday, April 5th. Service in church at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business meeting in the Parish Room after service. All intending to be present at tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, April ist. Bells (6) at 3 p.m., Evesham (io), Bengeworth (6) availahle from 7.45 p.m. till 9 p.m.-J. Hemming, Branch Secretary, io, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Eccles, on Saturday, April 5th. "Bells available at 4-30. Mecting at 7 p.m. A good attendance is desired to give a welcome to the new Vicar. - W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. L. W. Copsey has removed to Therapia, Fielding Road, Maidenhead.

VISITORS TO BLACKPOOL will find every convenience at Mrs. E. Howarth's, I4, May Bell Avenue, Springfield Road, Blackpool, N.S.

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## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

LEWISFAM.-On Felb. 16th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples ( 1260 changes) : M. R. Warnett 1, C. H. Walker 2, G. King 3, T. Taylor 4, W. W. Fox 5, E. F. Black well 6, H. Warnett, senr., (conductor) 7, H. G. Goodwin 8.-On Sunday evening, Dec. 29th, 1912, for service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: M. R. Warnett 1, H. Barrett 2, G. King 3, T. Taylor 4, W. W. Fox 5, E. F. Blackwell 6, H. Warnett, senr., (conductor) 7, H. Norgate 8. Rung on the 75th anniversary of T. Taylor's birthday.
ERIDPORT, DORSET.-Salisbury Diocesan Guild.-On Feb. 4th, at St. Mary's Church, 720 of Grandsire Minor (38 Bobs and 22 Singles) was rung on the middle six, with the treble leading and tenor covering, in 28 mins.: J. Gale 1, G. Greening 2, W. Bishop 3, J. Zealley 4, J. Tompkins 5, E. Powell 6, T. H. Beams (conductor) 7, G. Lane 8. This is the first 720 of Minor by all except the conductor, and the first on the bells.
HAGLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.-At St. John's Church, on Saturday, Feb. 1st, in 1 hr. 30 mins., a half-peal of Grandsire Doubles ( 2520 changes), by: C. Worrall 1, G. Popnell 2, J. Sheriff 3, J. Barber, senr., 4, C. Sheriff (conductor) 5, J. Barber, junr., 6.
OHESTERTON, CAMBS.-On Feb. 8th, at St. Andrew's Chureh, in an attempt for a peal, which was lost after 2 hrs. 19 mins., 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, and about 500 of College Single, was rung by: E. Bonnett 1, A. Wilkerson 2, W. Darlow 3, R. Wilkersoan 4, S. Roberts 5, R. G. King (conductor) 6.
LONDON.-On Feb. 9th, for morning service, at St. John's, WaterIoo Road, 1280 Double Norwich, in 42 mine.: E. Grimes 1, A. Hardy 2, A. W. Grimes 3, H. Burton 4, W. Hewett (conductor) 5, A. Hairs 6, F. Hairs 7, J. A. Trollope 8.
PLYMOUTH. DEFON. - Charles Parochial Society.-At Charles' Church, on Feb. 9tb, for erening service, in 47 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters: T, Westcott (first quarter-peal) 1. E. Marsh (conductor) 2, W. Hooper (first quarter-peal with a bob bell) 3, R. W. Hornbrook 4, W. H. Marsh 5, W. S. Hormbrook 6. W. Hiscott 7, G. Stroud 8, F. Hockaday 9, F. Purse 10.
NORTON, STAFFORDSHTRE.-Stoke-on-Trent Association.-On March 2nd, for evensong, 720 Oxford Treble. Bob: S. B. Billinge (first 720) 1, J. Walley (first 720 with a bob bell) 2, J. E. Wheeldon 3, W. C. Lawrence 4, G. E. Lawrence 5, J. F. Ryles (conductor) 6.-On March 9th, for Nintins, 720 Woodbine; in the afternoon, 720 Violet, ou the occasion of the visit of the late Bishop of Lichfield to conduct a Confirmation service. For evensong, 720 Oxford: J. Walley 1, G. E. Lawrence 2, W. O. Taylor 3, W. C. Lawrence 4. J. E. Wheeldon 5, J. F. Ryles 6. The conductors were: J. E. Wheeldon, J. F. Ryles and W. C. Lawrence respectively.

HADLEIGH. SUFFOLK.-On March 1st, an attempt was made for a peal of Bob Major, but after rimging 2 hrs .18 mins , the treble man missed his rope, and the peal was lost: A. Thorpe 1, W. R. J. Poulson 2. G. Lambert 3, S. II. Symonds 4, T. W. Garrard 5, A. Symonds 6, T. Reed 7, J. King 8.

LAVENHAM.-On March 4th, in the tower, on handbells, 720 Bob Minor: Chas. King 1. A. Symonds 2, G. Lambert 3, W. R. J. Poulson 4, S. H. Symonds (conductor) 5-6. First 720 by C. King, who attained the age of 15 years on the following Sunday.

MARCHAM, BERKS.-Oxford Guild.-On March 6th, at the Parish Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: G. Caudwell 1, Miss K. Holifield 2, G. Holifield, junr., 3, H. Holifield 4, A. E. Lock (conductor) 5, G. Holifield, senr., 6. First 720 in the method by all the band except the ringer of the tenor.
STEBBING, ESSEX.-Essex Association.-At St. Mary's Church, on Mareh 7tin, 720 London Surprise Minor, the first 720 in the method on the bells, and the first by all the company: A. Barker 1, A. Shufflebotham (Braintree) 2, J. T. Barker 3, H. P. Emery 4. W. Smith (Dunmow) 5, E. Claydon (conductor) 6. Rung on the conductor's birthday.
ABINGDON BERKS.-Oxford Guild.-On March 7th, at St. Nicholas' Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob: H. Holifield 1, G.'Holifield, junr., 2, Miss K. Holifield 3, *E. Humfrey 4, A. E. Lock (conductor) 5, *T. Short 6 . * First 720 in the method.
GODALMING.-Winchester Guild.-On March 7th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire, in 46 mins.: C. Bish 1, W. Clissold 2. W. Moorey 3, W. Lawes 4, C. Ohilds 5, A. Boxall (comductor) 6, W. Hooker 7, E. Wood 8.
IANGPORT, SOMERSET.-On March 9th, for evening service, 1080 Bob Minor: T. Jeanes 1, W. Tout 2, T. W. Creed 3, A. Wheadon 4, T. J. Lloyd (oonductor) 5, G. Lock 6.

HFAVITREE, DEVON.-On March 9th, for evening service, at the Parish Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: R. Hamilton 1, H. $\mathbf{F}$. Richards 2, F. W. Richards 3, T. Laver (onnductor) 4. C. G. Glass 5, J. R. Sandover 6, with J. Ferris and J. Guest ringing 7-8 as covering bells. First 720 by all the band.

WEST BROMWIOII, STAFFS.-Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafts.-On Sunday, Feb. 9th, at All Saints' Churoh, on the occasion of the visit of the Bishop of Lichfield for the Confirmation service, 504 Stedman Triples: F. Bendall 1, W. Peart 2, T. Taylor 3. G. Griffiths 4, S. Woodhall 5, F. Pagett 6, A. Mills (conductor) 7, D. Jones 8.

GREENS NORTON.-After eveming service, at the Parish Church, on March 9th, 720 Oxford Bob Minor: O. Slarke 1, G. W. Beesley 2, G. S. Faulkner 3, George Basford 4, Fred IIopper 5, J. Wilfred Sharp (conductor) 6 . First 720 in the method by all except the ringer of the 5 th. CAERPHILLY-At St. Martin's Cburch, on Sunday, Feb. 9th, 350 Grandsire Triples: E. Phillips 1, F. Garrard 2, D. Stephens 3, W. Dare 4, W. Kathro 5, H. Broughton 6, G. Cooke (conductor) 7, S. Tucker 8.
MERROW, SURREY.-On Sunday, Feb. 9th, for evening service, 720 Plain Bob: 'P. Gould 1, Reg. Nichols 2, W. H. Tunnell 3, A. Bridger 4, H. Mason 5, H. Stovell (conductor) 6.

WARWICK.-At St. Mary's Church, on Feb. 10th, in 47 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Williams 1, Miss J.' T. Williams 2, E. H. Adams (conductor) 3, W. Male 4, E. Brassington 5, T. Standly 6, T. Male 7, G. Lapworth 8.

LYDNEY. GLOUCESTERSHIRE--On Feb. 11th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: F. Wilde 1, C. Golding 2, G. Davis 3, N. Rees 4, Gr. Blakemole 5, A. Golding 6, G. Condick (conductor) 7, G. Charles 8 .

GREAT YARMOUTH, NORFOLK.-At the Parish Church, on Feb. 11th, a quarter-peal of 1280 Bob Major: H. Hammonds 1, W. T. Blyth 2, G. Clayton 3, R. Christian 4, H. Wright 5, F. Pestell 6, D. Hayward (conductor) 7, W. Lee 8. 504 Grandsire Triples, with G. Ginn 8.
BURLEY, LEEDS.-At the Parish Church, on Feb. 13th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Miss Alice Hick (first 720 and first attempt) 1, W. Wood 2, R. Thomas 3, G. W. Slack 4, P. J. Johmson 5, H. Lindsay (conductor) 6. Rung ior Miss A. Hick (a member of the Ladies' Guild) to qualify for membership of the Yorkshire Association. It is less than three months since Miss Hick took up the art.

LEYTONSTONE, ESSEX.-On Sunday, Feb. 9th, for evensong, at St. John the Baptist, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: W. H. Theowald 1, *L. A. Pye 2, A. Pye 3, *W. A. Pye 4, G. Dawson 5, W. Pye (conductor) 6. * First 720 Treble Bob Minor
BLEWBURY, BUCKS.-On Feb. 12th, 630 Grandsire Triples: W. A. Webb 1, W. Grace 2, F. James (conductor) 3, Miss M. Chillingworth 4, R. James 5, R. G. Rice 6, G. Cauldwell 7, T. Aldworth 8.

APPLEFORD, BERKS. - On Feb. 13th, a plain course of Kent Treble Bob Minor: G. Cauldwell 1, H. Holifield 2, Niss K. Holifield 3, Miss M. Chillingvorth 4, A. E. Lock 5, R. G. Rice 6. Also everal 120 's Stedman Doubles, and touches of Bob Minor, with G. Holifeld, junr., taking part.

WALLASEY.-On Sunday, Feb. 9th, at St. Nicholas' Church, 720 Oxford Bob Minor: D. Joynson 1, E. A. Webster 2, A Sparks 3, J. R. Griffin (conductor) 4, T. A. Rogers 5, J. Greasley 6. First 720 in the methed by all the band. For evensong, 720 Plain Bob Minor: J. R. Griffin 1, S. H. Griffin 2, *Wm. Joynson 3, ${ }^{*} J$. A. Webster 4, T. A. Rogers 5, E. A. Webster (conrluctor) 6. ${ }^{*}$ First 720 with a bob bell.

S'IOKE GOLDING. - On Feb. 13th, on handbells, 720 Grandsire Doubles: T. H. Vallance 1-2, S. Hill 3, E. H. Stonley (conductor) 4-5. Longest length by S. Hill, who is only 14 years of age.

MIDDLESEX, HILLINGDON (St. John's.). -On F'ebruary 16th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1278 changes), in 55 mins.: W. Smith 1, G. H. Guttridge 2, I. Waite 3, J. J. Pratt 4, W. Henley 5, W. Lawrence 6, F. Hancox (conāuctor) 7, A. Harding 8, H. H. Chandler 9 , W Honor 10.

ISLEWORTH.-On Feb. 16th, at All Saints' Church, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: A. Beckensale 1, G. A. Ransom 2, F. Crocker 3, T. Bcadle 4, W. H. Bigg 5, H. W. Lidbetter (conductor) 6, G. Spencer 7, H. Beadle 8.

WISBECH.-For evening service, on Feb. 16 th, 720 Bob Minor, $7-8$ covering: G. Duffield 1, R. Narborough 2, II. Piggins 3, S. Andrews 4, T. Haines 5, H. Banham (conductor) 6, T. Banham 7, H. Cheesewight 8. After service the bells were half-muffled, and 120 of Grandsire and 120 of Bob Doubles were rung on the back six, as a token of respect to the heroes of the South Pole: H. Piggins 1, S. Andrews 2, T. Haines 3, H. Banham 4, R. Narborough (conductor) 5, H. Cheesewright 6.
STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.-The Chester Diocesan Guild.-On Feb. 16 th , for evening service, in 1 hr .13 mins., at the Parish Church, a date touch of Grandsire, Triples (iכ13 changes) : A. G. Clarke 1, Wm. Gordon, semr., 2, J. H. Mason 3, J. A. Gordon 4. Alfred Gordon 5, Peter Brickell 6, A. S. Gordon 7, E. A. Hulme 8. The touch was arranged from Holt's Ten-part, and conducted by Wm. Gordon, senr., and the bells were half-muffled out of respect for Cant. Scott and his brave associates, who lost their lives near the South Pole.

ASION MANOR, BIRMINGHAM. - On Feb. 16th, at the Parich Church, after morning service, 1008 Grandsire Triples: W. Seaton (longest leagth) 1, J. Jones 2, F. Jones 3, W. H. Jones 4, W. Davies 5, W. G. Ellis (conductor) 6, J. Corrigan 7, C. Allen 8.

TUNETALL, KENT.-On Feb. 16th, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor: W. Spise, senr., 1, W. J. Wood 2, W. Spice, jumr., 3, A. E. Wood (first 720) 4, T. Jull 5, W. H. B. Wilkins (conductor) 6. Messrs. Wood hail from Queenborough, and W. II. B. Wilkins from Sheerness, the rest belong to the local band.

LEISTON. - On Sunday, March 2nd, for Confirmation service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: C. Samson 1, Fi. H. Bailey 2, G. Wilson 3, E. S. Bailey 4, F. W. Bailey 5, J. M. Bailey 6, C. F. Bailey Wilson 3, E. S. Bailey 4, F. W. Baile
(conductor) 7, G. Hardy (Kelsale.) 8 .

LUTON-Bedfordshire Association.-At the Parish Church, on Feb. 15th, 480 Kent Treble Bob Major: F. Hunt 1, J. Rookwood 2, B. Wilson 3, A. King (conductor) 4, S. Dobbie 5, B. Jarman 6, W. Payne 7, H. Walker 8.-On Sunday, Feb. 16th, for morning service, 1260 Grandsire Triples: F. Hunt 1, J. Rookwood 2, T. Kendall (longest touch in the method) 3, H. Walker 4, B. Wilson 5, W. Payne 6, A. King (conductor) 7, H. Shaw 8. For evening service, 672 Bob Major: A. Rookwood (first touch in method) 1, J. Rookwood 2, T. Kendall 3, A. King 4, W. Payne 5, B. Wilson 6, H. Walker 7, F. Hunt (conductor) 8. These touches were rung with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late Capt. Scott and his brave comrades, who lost their lives 1 m the expedition to the South Pole, and to the late Mr. Burr, an old Lutonian, who died at Norwood during the week.
BATTLE, SUSSEX.-Sussex Association. - On Sunday afternoon, Feb. 16th, on the occasion of the 69th birthday of the Very Rev. E. R. Currie, D.D., Dean of Battle, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: J. Thomas 1, W. Thomas 2, F. Mathis 3, P. Carter 4, A. Rideout 5, J. Sinden 6, W. Franks (conductor) 7, C. Dennis 8.-On Feb. 19th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 47 mins.: J. Sinden 1, W. Alcock 2, T. A. Kennett 3, P. Carter 4, W. Franks 5, W. Thomas 6, G. Watson (conductor) 7, H. Denman 8.
SATAEHURST, SUSSEX.-On Feb. 18th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1260 changes), in 53 mins.: *T. Morgan 1, E. Mills 2, W Cramp 3, *W. Robinson 4, T. Booth 5. W. Hoad 6, W. Tranks (conductor) 7, *J. Goodsell 8. *irst quarter-peal. W. Franks, who hail from Battle, hopes soon to pilot the band through a 5040 .
HOLLOWAY. - At St. Mary Magadalene's, on Sunday, Feb. 16th, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob, in 48 mins.: A. Hart 1, R. Green 2 L. Porter 3, A. Brooks 4, J. Cornford 5, II. Ranzetta 6, A. Turner 7, G. Charge (conductor) 8.

STONY STRATFORD, BUCKS. - Oxford Guild.-On Sunday, Feb. 16th, at St. Gules' Church, on the occasion of Confirmation by the Bishop of Oxford, a quarter-peal of Minor made up of a course cach of London Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, College Exereise, Iondon Scholars' Pleasurc, Violet, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, and Plain Bob: H. J. Tucker 1, FI. C. Edwards 2, E. Yates 3, W. W. Bonkam 4, T. C. Tompkins 5, C. A. Valentine 6. First touch in twelve methods by all, and on the bells After service, 720 of Plain Bob: P. Dewick 1, H. J Tucker 2, C. A. Valentine (conductor) 3, W. W. Bonham 4, T. C. Tompkins 5, E. Yates 6. For evening service, 720 of Double Court, conducted by C. A. Valentine.

FULliER, BUCKS.-Oxford Guild.-On Sunday, Feh. 24 th, 720 Bob Minor: E. Harding 1, W. Walden 2, J. Clark 3, G. H. Gutteridge 4, A. Bateman 5, J. Walden (conductor) 6.
SIVANSEA.-West Wales Association-At St. Mary's Church, on Feb. 23rd, for morning eervice, 504 Stedman Triples, conducted by J. Hoare. For evening service, 1260 'Stedman Triples: F. Curtis 1, N. Kneath 2, J. Hoare 3, A. E. Morgan 4, J. Davics 5, C. Hoare 6, F. Morgan (conductor) 7, E. Davies 8.
LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE - Hereford Guild.-On Feb. 23:d. for morning service, 720 Grandsire Doubles, in 30 mins.: A. Nason 1, G. Acton 2, W. Peachey 3, G. D. Acton 4, W. R. Nash (conductor) 5, W. Needham 6. Arranged for Messrs. G. Acton and G. L. Acton, who set sail for Canada on Feb. 28th.

WORCESTER.-The Cathedral Guild.-On Feb. 23rd, for morning service, at the Cathedral, 528 Grandsire Cinques: *B. S. Hill 1, J Morris 2, J. H. Hill 3. B. Hill 4, *W. Powell 5, W. C. Jones 6, W Banke 7, T. Lane 8, *L. Longney (conductor) 9, W. Edgington 10, E . Watkins 11, *W. H. Johnson 12. Rung on the 20th anniversary of the formation of the Guild. * Original members. It is abou,t 14 years since the conductor called a touch of Cinques.

WORSLEY, LANCS.-On Teb. 27th, at St Mark's Church, in 50 mins., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: $\Lambda$. Wallwork (first quarterpeal of Stedman) 1. J. H. Ridyard 2, F. Derbyshire 3, J. H. Ridyars junr., 4, W. Grunwell 5, P. Derbyshire 6, J. Ridyard 7, J. Ridyard, junr. (conductor) 8.

EASTHAMPSTEAD-Oxford Guild.-On Feb. 27th, 720 Kent Treble Bob: J. Turvey 1, T. Gearing 2, J. Rance 3. W. Newton 4, A. Pierce (first 720 as conduetor) 5, E. C. Lambert 6. Rung as a farewell to A Picree, who, to the regret of one and all, is leaving the district, the ringers wishing him every success.
TISCARD. - On Wednesday, March 5th, a cuarter-peal of Bob Triples, in 46 mins., at St. Mary's Chureh: A Howard 1, E. W. Dutton 2, D. Hughes 3, W. TTughes 4, T. Ashley 5, II. Williams 6, T Wurray (conductor) 7, A. Woosman 8. This is the first quarter-peal for all except the conductor, and the first quarter-peal on the bells by a local band
UPPER CLAPTON, MIDDLESEX.-On January 12th, for evening service, at St. Matthew's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: R. E. Pellatt 1, II. J. Sudell 2, C. Gray 3, H. J. Cantor 4, H. J. King 5, W. J. Kemp (conductor) 6, S. H. R. Cooper 7, L. G Hicks 8.
ELSTOW.-On Feb. 3rd, 720 each of Cambridge, College Pleasure, London Scholars, and College Exercise: L. Harlow 1, Miss E. Steel 2 H. Tysoe 3. II. Sharp 4, J. W. Barker (conductor) 5, F. Webb 6.On 7reb. 17th, 720 Oxford Treble Bub: H. Tysoe 1. Miss D. Steel 2, J
W. Barker (conductor) 3, Miss E. Steel 4, E. White 5, L. IIarlow

IIAGBOURNE, BERKS.-On Sunday, Feb. 2nd, a quarter-peal of Giandsire Triples: W. Cox 1, W. Napper, cenr. (1st quarter-peal with a bob bell) 2, H. Bishop 3, W. Napper, junr., 4, J. Napper 5, E. Butler 6, A. Yates 7, W. Warwick 8. Conducted by T. East, senr.-On Feb. 4th, a quartar-peal of Grandsire Triples, as a tribute of respect to the late Mrs. Ba!l. of this parish, who died at Glasgow, and was buried there on the above date: W. Cox 1, T. East, junr., 2, H. Bishop 3, W. Napper, junr., 4, T. Dast, senr. (conductor) 5, E. Butler 6, A. Yates 7, W. Warwick 8.

BATHWICK.-At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Feb. 2nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 41 mins.: F. C. Rich 1. A. E. Alexander 2, C. Densley 3, A. E. Seers 4, T. Hogsflesh C. Hich Lewis 6, R. J. Cousins (conductor) 7, H. Davis 8.

BATH.-At St. Michaels Church, on Feb. 3rd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: W. Seers 1, A. E. Alexander 2, H. Lewis 3. C. Goodenough 4, F. C. Rich 5, A. E. Seers (conductor) 6, R. J. Cousins 7, C. Cambridge 8.

TEWKBSBURY, GLOS.-Glouoester and Bristol Diocesan Associa-tion.-At the Abbey Churoh, on Feb. 4th, 504 and 210 Grandsire Triples: Wm. Hampton 1, C. Dyson 2, F. S. Wilson 3, F. E. Smith 4, J. Wathen 5, T. Devereux 6, Jos. Wathen (conductor) 7, Wm. Maines 8 .

ROWLEY REGIS.-On Felb. 7th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: J. Brown 1, F. Willetts 2, T. Clarke 3, G. H. Detheridge 4, E. Homer 5, H. Dowell 6, A. Timmins (conductor) 7, S. Detheridge 8.
ECCLES.-Lancashire Association,-On Sunday evening, Feb. 9th, at the Parish Churoh, 504 Stedman Triples: J. Barratt 1, Ed. Oldfield 2, J. Jackson 3, J. Myles (conductor) 4, M. Oldfield 5, Ed. Stubbs 6, J. Baguley 7, A. Trippier 8. First 500 of Stedman by a local band. BARNIVOOD, GLOUCDSTER.-On the occasion of the funeral of Mrs. Waite, the oldest resident of Barnwood, who died at the ripe age of 96 years 11 munths, 120 Grandsirc Doubles was rung by: A. Waite (grandson), F. T. Waite, A. E. Waite, A. G. Waite, J. A. Waite (great grandsons), and H. Mitchell (conductor). Afterwards 1260 Plain Bob grandsons, and Hinor was ring, assistance being given by G. A. Smith, H. Gingell and J. Parry, on account of the bad condition of the bells. Before concluding, the deceased's age was tolled, and the whole pull and stand rung.
CLAPTON, MIDDLESEX.-On Sunday evening, February 2nd, at St. Mattliew's Church, in 39 mins.:, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: R. E. Pellatt 1, H. J. Sudell' 2, H. J. Cantor 3, C. Gray 4, H. J. King 5, W. J. Kemp (conductor) 6, S. H. R. Cooper 7, G. H. Orford (first *quarter-peal) 8. Quickest quarter-peal on the balls. I'ETERBOROUGH. - On Sunday, February 2nd, at St. John's Church, 720 Bob Major: T. Vaughan 1, S. Wright 2, V. Butler 3. F. Davis 4, IL. Teechy 5, W. Cross 6, W. Jarvis 7, F. Cooke (conductor) 8.
STANSTED, ESSEX.-The Essex Association.-On Jan. 29th, at the Parish Church, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: W. Watts (conductor) I, T. J. Watts 2, A. Jordan 3, H. Little 4, T. Jordan 5, G. Jordan 6.-On Sunday, February 2nd, 288 Oxford Treble Bob and 168 Grandsire Triples.
RUSHALL, STAFFORDSHIIEE-At St. Michael's Church, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Doubles, i. 42 mins.: Miss Edith Pickett 1, H. Walker 2, C. W. Wakelin 3, J. Walker 4, A. H. Harber (conductor) 5, II. Burton 6 First quarter-peal rung by a local lady ringer. Miss Pickett is a sister of one of the local ringers.
EAST MOLESEY.-Middlesex Association.-On Sunday, Feb. 2nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late Mr. W. J. Hallto, who died on January 26th, after a very short illness, leaving a wife and seven children unprovided for: F. Brown 1, J. H. B. Messe 2, F. Smith 3, J. Howes (conductor) 4, W. Halls 5, J. Baldwin 6, G. Spencer 7, H. Walters 8.

## PRESENTATION AT WALSALL. RINGER'S DEPARTURE FOR AUSTRALIA.

The Walsall ringers have presented to one of their number, Mr. George Peate, who is shortly leaving for Australia, a pipe and tobaceo pouch. The presentation was made in the belfry of St. Matthew's Church, cn: Sunday week by the Vicar (Prebendary A. Paice), who remarkel that whenever Mr. Peate found comfort in the pipe, his thoughts would doubtless wander back to the old Parish Church, and he would $s$ many pictures of the old belfry and the ringers in the clouds of smoke. He wished him every success in his new sphere.Mr. C. Hicks and Mr. T. Filton also spoke in appreciation of Mr. Peate's services as a ringer. He was one of the most enthusiastic workers in the local company, and although he only commenced to pull a bell about three years ago, his work in the tower would always be remembered. - Mr. Peate, in acknowledging the gift, thanked the Vicar and ringers for their kindness. He wished the band every success in the future, and hoped they would malke the tower a still more prominent one in the work of the socicty for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.A touch of Stedmay Triples was afterwards rung.
Mr. Peate has rung 16 peals, consisting of Bob Minor 1, Stedman Triples 6. Stedman Caters 4, Grandsire Caters 2, Erin Triples (first by the Stafford Society) 1, Kent Treble Rob 1, Double Norwich 1. A iarewell peal of Stedman Triples at Walsall by a local band was lost,
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## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Hertfordshire County Association on Monday was one of the most successful held in the annals of the society, which now stands in the front rank of our ringing organisations. It is one of the associations that is moving with the times, and its progress is reflected in the advance in its peal ringing. The annual report records that both in the variety and quality of the methods rung the year that has just closed is a record, and it was equally so with regard to quantity, for only in one previous year (1903) had as many peals been rung. Quantity, however, is not everything, and the 55 of 1903 does not by any means equal the quality of the 65 recorded in the present report. The improvement in this respect is, however, only indicative of the general trend of peal ringing throughout the country, for there never was a time when the standard of ringing, judged by the methods rung, was as high as it is to-day. Although a good deal of the success of the Herts Association is due to the performances of the two bands at Bushey and Oxhey, there is a gratifying improvement in the county generally so far as the peal ringing is concerned, for over 130 members took part in the performances, showing that the peals are by no means confined to the few.

The question of the district meetings is one of the important matters dealt with in the report, and not only with the ringers of Hertfordshire, but with those of other parts of the country would we emphasise their great value. Difficulties of travel sometimes provide the obstacle in the way of ringers attending the minor meetings of their association, but it is really worth an effort to attend these gatherings. They do a great deal to cement the good feeling which exists among ringers, they provide a means of practice which one often does not get in one's own tower, and they demonstrate the corporate nature of the work which ringers are doing.

The election of the Dean of St. Albans as the president of the association is a fitting tribute to the interest which this honoured ecclesiastic has always displayed in the work of the society. Indeed, it is one of his cherished memories, that the association was the outcome of a meeting held in his own house, and ever since that time, more than a quarter of a century ago, he has taken a paternal interest in its affairs. With the Dean at its head, and an executive composed of men so enthusiastic as Mr. George Cartmel, the honorary secretary, and Mr. E. P. Debenham, the honorary treasurer, who, by the way, had made their names in the Art before many of the members knew how to pull a bell, the Hertfordshire Association is in no danger of decay.

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BRISTOL.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Redcliffe,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;
Tenor 50 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lbs.
Raymond J. Wilkins... ...Treble William Knight ... ... 7 Alfred E. Reeves ......${ }^{2}$ 2 $\quad$ Vilby J. Hazell ... Harry Brownjohn ... ... 3 John A. Burford ... ... 9 William A. Cave ... ... 4 | William Stowell ... ... 10 Albert Stowell ... ... 5 Johi Thomas ... ... ... if George Condick, Junr. ... 6 Walter Farley ... ...Tenor Composed by Johm Carter, and Conducted by John Thomas.
A. E. Reeves' I50 peal.

PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL, DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS. On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Five Hours, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GINQUES, 7325 CHANGES;
Taken from Shipway.
Tenor 26 cwt .

Thomas Wright ... ...Treble Thomas Baldwy ... ... 2 William Ireland... William Hale ... ... ... 4 Francis J. Lewis ... ... 5 Albert Wright. Conducted by Hubert Hanks..
Longest peal on the bells since 1858 .

## TEN BELL PEAL.

SHREWSBURY.
THE ST, MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Thee Hours and Twenty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL DF STEDAAN CATERS, 5017 CHANGES;

 Tenor 21 cwt., in Eflat.Samuel Grove ... ... ...Treble Albert Little ... ... 6 Thomas J. Bratten ... ... a Thomas Miller ... ... 7 James E. Groves ... ... 3 Jesse Screen ... ... ... 8
 Ernest C. Allaway...... 5 James H. Gall
Conducted by James E. Groves.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. This composition is No. I of their number in Mr. Carter's circuit. It is 49 years since the last peal was rung on these bells, that being Grandsire Triples, and this is the first peal on the ten bells for 102 years, the previous one being Grandsire Caters on September 2nd, I8II. This is the first peal of Stedman Caters rung in Shropshire. The Guild tender their grateful thanks to the Vicar for granting permission, and to Mr. J. Wynn for having everything ready.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Friday, March 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Six-Part. Albert P. Wakley ... ...Treble Harry Kendrick ... ... 2 Walter Hair ... ... ... 3 Walter Hair
John Hodgh ... ... ... 4

Tenor mit cwt.
Herbert Hurdman..
Frank Shepherd ...
W. W. Worthington
*Albert W. Wagg
*Albert W. Wag

* First peal. Rung, with the bells half-muffled, at the request of the Rector, for evening service.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Friday, March 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES; Tenor 8 cwt . I qr. 20 lbs .
John Aldis, Sent. ... ...Treble George Howchin ... ... 5
 Frank R. Copeman ... ... 3 George H. Cross ... ... 7 William Steele ... ... 4 Benjamin S. Thompson ...Tenor Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by William Steele.
This peal was rung with the bells half-muffled.
COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCFDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Saturday, March 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

| Charles Beech | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Tyeble | Benjamin Gough | ... | ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5 |  |  |  |  |  |

 Walter Grinsell ... $\cdots$... 3 †Cbristopher Wallater 7 Edgar T. Smith ... ... 4 Richard Dunn ... ...Tenor Composed by George Hoghes, and Conducted by Christopher Wallater.

* First peal of Major. $\dagger$ First peal of Najor as conductor. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to the late Lord Bishop of Lichfield (Right Rev. the Hon. Augustus Legge, D.D.).


## GUISELEY, YORIS

THE YORLSHIIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Oswald,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

Alfred Naylur...
Francis IVoodhead Joseph Broadley Christopher Stephenson

Treble William Joyce...
Villiam Joyce... ...
Willian B Suith .... 6 Johy B B. Smith ... $\quad . .7$ John B. Jackson ... ...Tenor Composed by Tom Lockwood, and Conducted by William B. Smith.

EGHAM, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION. On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES; 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
John H. B. Hesse
Frederick G. Woodiss Join Howes Charles J. Hamblin ${ }^{\circ}$

Tenor if cwt.
William Sheleherd Ferris J. Shepherd J. Armger Trollope James N. Frossell... James Sufpherd.

CHIPPING BARNETT, HERTS.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt.

| lfred W. Grimes | Treb | George R. Pye |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Isaac G. Shade | . 2 | John Armstrong |  |
| Bertram Preivett | 3 | William Pye |  |
| Recben Sanders | 4 | Ernest Pye |  |

Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by Bertram Prewett.
First peal in the method on the bells.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUIID.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirtien Minues, At Christ Church, Southgate,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES; Tenor 25 cwt .

Isaac G. Shade ... ... ...Treble Reveen Sanders ... ... George R. Pye... ... ... 2 Er $\begin{aligned} & \text { Enest Pye }\end{aligned}$...... | Alfred W. Grimes | ... | .. | 3 | John E. Miller | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John Armstrong | $\ldots$ | .. | 4 | 7 |  |
| Jillian Pye ... | ... | ...$T$ inor |  |  |  | Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Willtam Pye.

The above is I. G. Shade's and W. Pye's 7ooth peal together.
GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Mimutes,
At the Church of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHAHGES; Tenor 23 cwt.
 Willoughby E. Maulden 4 Frank Blondell ... ... Tenor Composed by F. A. Holden, and Conducted by Frank Blondell.

- First peal of Major.

DURSLEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCI\&TION
(IVotton-under-Edge and District Branch.)
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves' Variation of Parker's Tivelve-Part. Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lbs., in E flat.
*Alec Robins ... ... ...Treble |*Albert Burcombe
Edward Whittard... ... 2 Harry Jones .......... 5
James Parner ... Harry Jones ... ... Henry W. Fussell ... 7 Frederick Oakhill ….. .4 .. 4 *Albert P. Tilley ... .... Tenor Conducted by H. W. Fussell.

* First peal. First peal in the method on the bells; also first peal by the above branch.

SOUTHWOLD, SUFFOIK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(Halesworth Society.)
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-mine Minutes, At the Church of St. Edmund,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
B8iside Thurstans' Four-Part.
Frederick C. Lambert ...Treble *John O'Neili ... ... ... $50 .^{5}$
*Arthur H. Took ... ... 2 *James Howard
*John Larter ... ... ... 3 Harry Barton...
Walter Last ... $\ldots$... ... 4 *E. Austin Head


Ccnducted by H. Barton.
:*First peal of Stedman Triples.

## FLIXTON.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES; 5040 CHANGES;
Holt's Ten-Part.

*First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal with a bob bell.
WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Mark,
A PEAL OF STEDAAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Brooks' Variation.
James Henry Ridyard ...Tyeble Frederic Derbyshire ... 2 George Way ... ... ... 3 $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { George Way } & \text {....... } & 3 \\ \text { Joseph Henry }\end{array}$

Tenor 21 cwt.
William Gronwell … 5 Percy H. Derbyshire ... 6 Joseph Ridyard ... ... 7 William Jones $\quad . . . \quad .$. Tenor
Conducted by Joseph Ridyard.
Rung in honour of the wedding of William Jones. All the above are of the local company.

## ROTHERHAM.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three How's and Five Minutes, At the Churchi of St. Stephen, Eastwood,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES: Brook's Variation. Tenor i2 $\frac{7}{2}$ cwt., in G. George Lewis ... ... ...Treble John W. J. Cottam... ... 2 | Samuel Wesley... |
| :--- |
| George Halksworth |

 Albert C. Feariley.. .9 ... 4 Clement Glexin ... ....Tenor Conducted by George Lewis.

* First peal in the methoct. Kung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Lewis and Athin.


## WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, DEVON. THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Evangelist,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES; 5040 CHANGES;

 Holt's Ten-Part.

Tenor if cwt.
Reginald B. Snow
Johi R. Hayman

| . 5 |
| :--- |
| 6 |

William A. Haymas:
*James Chudleigh R. Haymasi

* First peal.

MARKET HARBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Monday, March 24. 1913, in Thrce Hours and Tü Minutes, At the Church of St. Dionysius,
A PEAL OF GRA\&DSIRE TBIPLES, 5040 CHAMEES;
J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part.

Tenor rg cwt.


NORTH ELMHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES; Tenor 20 cwt .
Fredk. W. Middleton
..Treble
Albert G. Warnes ...
George Howchin
Bertie J. Howchin 5
6
George H. Cross ... $\cdot . .3$ 3 George E. Howchin.. .7
Frank R. Copeman ... ... 4 Fredk. J. Howchin... ... Temor
Composed by Henry Hubbard, and
Conducted by Fredk. J. Howchin.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

CHARLWOOD, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
(Southern Branch.)
On Monday, March 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-cight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of College Pleasure, London Scholars' Pleasure,
Violet, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford. Tenor I6 cwt.
Arthur Knapp ... ...Treble
John Akehursi...

| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |

Albert Harman
Percy F. Weleer Conducted by A. Ellis.

Albert Ellis ... ... ...T Tenor
Rung, with the bells deeply muffled, as a last mark of respect to the late Rector of Charlwood (the Rev. E. M. Gibson), who was interred on the ist inst.

NEWTON-IN-THE-ISLE, CAMBS.
THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, March 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's differently called.
*Harry Piggins... ... ...Tyeble Ralph Narborodgh
Horace Banham ... ... 2 †Tom Smart
Stanley Andrews ... ... 3 George Jutson ... .... 5 Tenny Conducted by G. Juison.

* First peal. † Proposed member before starting. This peal was rung with bells fully muffled.


## WISSETT, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(Halesworth District.)
On Sunday, March 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Chorciz of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's.
Tenor io cwt.
Frederick C. Lambert ...Tyeble
James Spalding
Arthor II. Took

* Walter Kerrison
$\begin{array}{llc}\ldots & \ldots & 4 \\ \ldots & \ldots & 5 \\ \ldots & \ldots & \text { Tenor }\end{array}$
Conducted by F. C. Lambert.
* First peal of Kent. Rung to celebrate the Easter Festival and also as a birthday compliment to Mrs. J. Lambert, mother of the conductor, who completed her 78 th year on that day.


## CAPEL, SURREY

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-seven Mintes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;
Being 720 each of Violet, Cambridge Surprise, London Scholars Pleasure, Oxford, College Exercise, Woodbine and College Pleasure.

Tenor $7 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.
William Short... ... ...Trcble $\mid$ Fredk. R. Tullett, Junt 4
John Akehurst ...
Percy F. Weller .... $2 . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Horace Edwards ... ... 5 Percy F. Weller... Conducted by Fredk. R. Tullett, Senr.
This is the quickest peal on the bells and was rung as a birtladay compliment to Mr. F. R. Tullett, Junr.

## ANSTEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. George,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 30 Six-Scores of Grandsire and 12 Six-Scores of Plain Bob.


## handbell peals.

ENFIELD, MIDDLESEX. THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At 97, Efenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHAHCES;

Wilby J. Hazeil... ... I-2 E. Maurice Atkins ... 5-6 Miss Edith I. Piarker 3-4 John Thomas ... James Parker ... 9-io
Composed by Fred G. May, and Conducted by John Thomas. Umpire: Henry Dains.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. Parker. The conductor's 200th peal.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, March 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes,
At the Residence of A. H. Pulling,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Maurice Smither... ... I-2 $\quad$ Willoughby E. Maulden 5-6 Alfred H. Pulling ... 3-4 *William Smith

Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by Alfred H. Polling.
Uinpire: D. Smith.

* First peal of Major and rung at the first attempt. This is the conductor's 350 th peal.


## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Friday, March 21, 1913, іи Tथю Hours and Fiften Minutes, At the Residence of A. H. Pulling,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Septimus Radford... ... i-2 ${ }^{2}$ Willocghby E. Maulden 5-6 Alfred H. Pulling $. . .3-4$ William Smith $. . . \quad . . .7-8$ Composed by William Flory, and Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling. Witnesses: Mrs. Polding and Samuel Smith.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, March 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At George IV., Bronswick Street, Haggerston, A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 6063 CHANGES;
Bertram Prewett.



Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by George R. Pye. Umpires.: R. Sanders and E. F. Pike.
This is the longest length of Stedman Cinques yet rung upon hand

## BISHOP UNVEILS PEAL BOARDS.

The Bishop of Derby visited Beeston on Monday week, and after conducting a confirmation service, ascended to the belfry and unveiled two peal boards. The proceedings were of a very informal character. Mr. F. S. Price at the outset asked the Bishop, on behalf of the ringer's, to unveil the peal boards. The first contained the records of the first local peals of Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise Major. These methods represented the high-water mark as regards Notts in the ringing world. The other board, which contains a record of a half-muffled peal of Stedman, rung on 3rd September, 1912, and which was Mr. Coppock's own handiwork, constituted a memorial to the late Mr. Robert Drinkwater, who for several years was a chorister at Beeston. A tribute was also paid to Mr. W. Clifford, senr., who, notwithsLanding his 60 years, participated in the peals. Both were conducted by A. Coppock.

The Bishop said it gave him very great pleasure to unveil the boards, and chatted interestingly concerning bells and belfries he had visited. Subsequently he signed the visitors' book, from which it appeared that on exactly the same date last year-March 17th-the Bishon of Southwell was in the belfry.

## EDINBURGH CATHEDRAL SOCIETY.

At the annual general meeting of the St. Mary's Cathedral Society, Edinburgh, hold in the belfry, the Very Rev. the Dean of Edinburgh presiding, it was reported that the attendance throughout the year was well up to the standard. Owing to the loss of some of the old members, none of the attempts for peals were successful. The latest loss was that of Mr. Whitson, who left in September to take up an appointment in New York.
The Dean thanked the ringers for their services, especially during the stormy weather experienced of late, and stated how much the bells were appreciated by invalids. One lady invalid looked forward every Sunday to hearing the bells, and has done so for the past two years while on her sick bed.
The following office bearers were appointed for the ensuing year: President, the Very Rev. Dean Skinner Wilson; vice-president, the Rev. Anselm Ashley; conductor, Mr. W. B. Sampson; secretary and treasurer, Mr. J. R. Robertson, 221, Morningside Road, Edinburgh; members of Council, Mr. James McCracken and Mr. John Whitson. Two new members were admitted to the Guild, viz., Mr. Jolin Stannard and Mr. Harry Russam.

## MR. PRICE'S HANDBELL PEALS.

## To the Fillitor.

Sir,-On jooking through Mr. Price's list of handbell peals in your last issue, I see he states that all tioe peals of Stedman Caters and Cinques had the turning course at the end, "thus enhancing the difficulty of the performance." Perhaps Mr. Price will be good enough to enlighten us on the subject. I may say I have called over 150 different compositions of Stedman Caters and Cinques on almost every known plan, several of which had three turning courses, and I certainly fail to see where the difficulty of the performance is enhanced by leaving the turning course till last. I consider such a statement is decidedly unfair, and I do not think he need have tried to under-rate the value of other ringers' performances.
W. PYE.

## LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday week, a meeting of the Liverpool Diocesan Guild was held at St. Nicholas' Church. Liverpool, when upwards of 50 members attended from various parts of the Diocese. In the afternoon, a company of the members, through the instrumentality of Mr. J. Martin, were allowed to inspect the steamship Mauretania prior to her salling to America. Afterwards, a cold collation was partaken of, and the business meeting held, over which the renerable archdeacon presided. He gave the Guild a cordial invitation for the annual meeting to be held at Wralton-on-the-Hill, on Jume 7th. Canon Howson also kindly invited the Guild to meet at Toolton whilst its fine trees were in foliage.-The Rev. W. T. Bulpit, the Guila master, moved the grateful acceptance of these invitations, and propssed the Rector of Liverpool as a life member of the Guild.-Mr. W. Bentham seconded, and it was carried with applause. Several other new members were elected.- A rote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, and to Mr. W. Davies for having everything in readiness, and for the excellent " go"; of the bells, terminated a most successful meeting.

PLYMOUTH.-On Feb. 26th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, at Emmanuel Church, arranged for Lir. C. Jolnnston, of Croydon: E. IV. Marsh (conductor) 1, W. H. Marsh 2, F. Hockaday 3, G. Johnston 4, W. Richards 5, G. H. Myers 6, W. Ford 7. G. Kerswell 8.
BOTTESFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.-On Feb. 27th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins. : T. Rawdin 1, D. Gilden 2, W. Turner 3, A. W. Ward (first quarter-peal as conductor) 4. M. Bend 5, R. Bend 6, S. Baker 7, H. Thorlby 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to A. W. Ward.
TUNSTALL, KENT.-At St. John the Baptist's, on Feb. 28th, 720 College Single: S. Spice 1, H. Jewiss 2, T. Jull 3, J. Bennett., R. M.T.I. (first in the method) 4, W. Spice, junr., 5, W. Spice, senr. (conductor) 6. Rung after coming to grief with a peal.

## HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## ANNUAL FESTIVAL.

There was a gathering of nearly a hundred, almost a record attendance, at the annual festival of the Hertford County Association of Change Ringers, which took place as usual at St. Albans on Easter Monday. During the morning and afternoon, ringing in various standard methods took place in the belfries of the churches of the city, and at four o'clock, evensong was sung with the choir of the cathedral, the clergy officiating being the Dean of St. Albans, Canons Lord William Gascoyne Cecil, G. F. P. Glossop and T. L. Papillon, and the Rev. E. H. Evans.

The preacher was Canon Lord William Cecil, who gave an entertaining and instructive discourse of bell ringing from the time when towers, containing a single bell, were erected for purposes of warming and defence in troublous times. From the moment the tower was joined to the church, according to the more modern principles of architecture, it clearly had no further defensive value, To-day, the architecture of our churches, including the bells, was to remind people of higher things. The bells of our churches were intended to preach a sermon to the whole of the parish for which they served, and their message was carried further than it could be carried by any human tongue. The ringers. therefore, were doing a very important and a very serious part of the Church's mork, and this was a fact they should take care to remember. It was an old story, and, he hoped, an untrue one to-day, that bell ringing and the publichouse were very closely connected. Bell ringers should be examples of Christian life; they should remember that they touched holy things, and that they themselves, therefore, should be holy. A good band of ringers was a sentre of good fellowship and of church feeling, and should be a centre of holy life.

## THE BUSINESS MEETING.

At the annual meeting, which took place after tea served in the Abbey Institute, under the presidency of the Dean of St. Albans, who, on behalf of the President (the Kev. A. G. Langdon), who was unavoidably absent, extended a hearty welcome to all preseut, observing that the gathering was almost a record

The Honorary Treasurer (Mr. E. P. Debenham) presented the balance sheet, which showed that the year opened wath a balance in hand of $£ 90$ 0s. 6ci. The subscriptions from ringing members amounted to $£ 1416$ s., and those from the honorary members to $£ 410 \mathrm{~s}$. making a total income of $£ 2810 \mathrm{~s}$., while the balance at the close of the year was £3 13s. 31.-The Hon. Treasurer. announced, amidst applause, that the reserve fund now stood at £20 6s. 5cl.
The balance sheet was adopted, on the motion of Canon Papillon, who spoke of the advance of bell ringing in Hertfordshire, and said he was glad they now had at St. Albans Cathedral a band who could ring Superiative.

In the annual repori, Mr. Cartmel remarked: It is a pleasing duty to present to you the ammal report, which, as regards the quality and variety of peals rung, are second to none in the annals of the Association. The year commenced with the record peal of Bristol Surprise at Knebworth, consisting of 12,160 changes, and although this record has since been surpassed by another band, in which Hertfordshire members figured prominently, yet the Knebworth peal stands as the third longest length of Surprise ever rung. We congratulate the band and its conductor, Mr. G. N. Price, upon their accomplishment. Death has removed from our list of hon. members the Rev. W. D. A. Dudley, Vicar of St. Stephen's, St. Albans. and Mr. C. Castle, an active ringing member of the Baldock band. Mr. James Pettit, a member for many years, and one who rendered much service to change ringing in Hertfordshire has also received this home call. The committee met at St. Albans on February 15th, when the following recommendations were made for the members' consideration:-

1. That peals rung on Easter Monday, and officially notified to the hon. secretary prerious to the annual business meeting, be included in the current year's report. It was pointed out by the chairman that this resolution was simply an instruction, and not a rule.
2. With the object of giving publicity to false compositions, and also for the assistance of conductors, it was recommended that the figures of compositions rung should be inserted in the repost under the peal recorded. The composition should be forwarded to the hon. secretary as soon as possible after the peal has been rung: but when the composition has already appeared in the report, it will only be necessary when it is published in the ringing papers to state in a foolnote that the composition is the same as peal No. so-and-so. In future, all peals in the report will be numbered consecutively, as in peal book.
3. Attention was also drawn to the facilities for instructing young bands, and it was pointed out that at the last, annual meeting the scheme was outlined in the secretarjal report, and accepted. Your committee would be prepared to consider any claims for assistance that were submitted to them, and to pay the travelling expenses of a competent instructor for a series of lessons, on the understanding that if not already members of the Association they would be willing to
A discussion also ensued upon the question of encouraging Sunday service linging, by the allocation of points; but opinions were not unanimous. As the subject will again come before the committee for
further consideration, I was instructed to mention the matter, in the hope of securing an expression of opinion from the meeting

THE YEAR'S DOINGS.
The Assuciation welcomed the formation of a new band at Thing. May success attend their efforts in mastering the intricacies of change ringing. The Cheshunt band, under the tuition of our enthusiastic friend Mr. Rowe, has gone ahead, and there is every piospect of a local peal being soon scored. The Cathedral Society, under the able guidance of Mr. Whitbread, has made marked progress, and are now going strong in Superlative and the Standard Methods. Bushey and Oxhey claim premier honours in their accomplishments. Long may these banus continue to flourish, and may others strive to emulate their successes. The Barley band deserve praise for their peal in seven methods, and Mr. J. Walyan is to be complimented upon his success in conducting three Minor peals.
During the year, 65 paals have been rung, 41 have been rung upon tower bells, and 14 on handbells; 13C members have taken part in Association peals during the year, ano the peals have been rung in 27 church steeples, with 24 different corductors. The time ocenpied in ringing was 194 hrs. 51 mins, the services of 449 ringers being requisitioned. Many have scored their first peal, whilst others have obtained their fiest in higher methods. The list comprises: 7 Bristol Surprise, 5 Superlative Surprise, 1 New Cumberland Surprise (first in tho county by the Association, and all the bandi), 1 London Surprise, 2 Double Norwich, 6 Kent Treble Bob Major, 1 Oxford Treble Bob Major, 1 Bob Major, 8 Stedman Triples 5 Grandsirc Triples, 11 peals of Minor on 6 bells, 3 peals on five bells; total, 51 . Upon handbells: 6 Stedman Cinques, 3 Stedman Catsrs, 3 Stedman Triples, 1 Bob Major; 1 Grandsire Caters, total 14.
I trust that this standard of excellence will he fully maintained during the year 1913-14. We congratulate Mr. Price and his band upon their splendid handbell performances; they have succeeded in ringing the first peal of twolve in the county and by the Association, their first peal of Stedman Cinques being rung at the first attempt.
The Northern District Secretary reports the holding of five meetings during the year, at Great Wymondley, Knebworth, Gravely, Hitchin, and Baldock. The attendance has shown a little improvement, but the six-bell meetings are still only poorly attended. A greater variety of methods is now attempled at meetings, but there remains too much variety in the striking. It is with regret that I have to announce the retirement of the Rev. Tyrwhitt Drake from his post as secretary for this district, but having moved into the adjoining county of Beds, he rightly thinks that someone in closer connection should hold the reins. For two years he has rendered excellent service, and we heartily thank him for his labours. I am glad to report that another volunteer for the post has come forward, and you will be asked to day to confirm his appointment. I appeal to the ringers of the Northern District to rally round their new leader, and to do their level best to cause his new duties to be pleasant and successful.

The Eastern Secretary reports progress in his division, and thinks that the work and usefulness of the Association increases.
The Secretary for the Western Division has little to report as regards meetings, only ons having been arranged. Mr. Eden says: "I should like to see a little more enthusiasm in our district meetings, as I am sure more would attend if the members were aware of the pleasure derived from thes? gatherings." The Ifon. Secretary added that he was in full accord with the expression of Mr. Eden, and would emphasise the importance of district meetings to the younger members especially, as it is at these gatherings where the first touch in a new method is often oblained.-Thanks were acco:ded to Mr. Eden for contimuing to enter up the peals in the neal bcok; to Mr. R. A. Kirby, the librarian; the district hon. secs. for their zealous labours; the incumbents of churches for the use of the bells, and the hon. members for their financial assistance. In conclusion, the report called attention to the importance of the ringers' office, and emphasised the spirit in which all ringers should work.-.The report was adopted.

## DEAN OF ST. ALBANS ELECTED PRESIDENT.

Mr. E. P. Debenham moved the election of the Dean of St. Albane as president of the Association for the ensuing year, observing that the Association, which had been in existence since October 29th, 1884, was started at the Deanery under the presidency of the Dean, who had taken a reen and active interest in the organisation ever since, and
for a great many years had preached at their annual festival and had presiled over their annual meeting year after year
Mr. Kentish (Fatfield) seconded the motion, which was carried unanimonsly
The Dean of St. Albans, when acknowledging his eloction, said the Association had well justified the hopes expressed for its futuro whon it was formed at his housc. Nothing could have been more satisfactory than what they nad heard from the hon. secretary's report. "I am not a bell ringer. in the technical sense of the word," proceeded the Dean, "but it is true I have rung a great many belles in my time; but they are neither so large as your bells, nor do I ever strike them (laughter). In fact, I endeavour as far as I can, to sce that they shall act as harmoniously as may be in the life which I have just started them upon. That method of ringing is entirely different from what you take up. It requires sometimes a certain amount of skill, and sometimes a certain amount of patience, brut still I do not attempt to vie with you,
and I feel it is an additional honour you have paid me in asking me to occupy the chair as your president (applause).
Mr. E. P. Debenham was re-elected hon. treasurer; Mr. G. W. Cartmel as hon. secretary; and Mr. B. Prewett as hon. auditor; and the proceedings terminated with votes of thanks to Canon Lnord William Cecil for his sermon, and to the Rectors and. Vicars of St. Albans for the use of their belfries.
The following were elected ringing members: The Rev. E. W. G Kemp, Dr. Fisher, and Messrs. A. Hill, A. H. Walker (Kings Langley), Messrs. T. Castle and H. J. Thompson (Baldock), T. Quick and H. E. Whitbread (St. Albans Oathedral), Messrs. G. Pratt and G. Johnson (St. Stephen's, St. Albans), Mr. W. Jeff's (St. Michael's, St. Albans), Mr. Benjamin Patmore (Great Munden), Mr. Thos. Newman (Hoddesdon), Mr. W. K. North (Branthing), Mr. A. Day (Harpenden), Mr. R. Roffey and Mr. Burlington (Barnet), the Rev. C. B. Saw and Messrs. FI. G. Blackbourne and FI. Prior (Cheshunt), and Mrs. Sarah Johnson (Edmonton).

## THE LATE PRESIDENT OF THE SALISBURY GUILD.

## AN APPRECIATION.

When the Salisbury Guild was founded in 1882, the late Earl Nelson was invited to accept the presidency. It was a happy day for the Guild that he consented, for very beneficial has been his occupancy of the chief office for over thirty years. His regular attendauce at committec meetings and the yearly festivals clearly indicated the real interest he took in the Guild. His addresses-they were more like friendly talks-to his ringers on the occasion of the festivals wera so full of encouragement, sympathy and sanctified common sense, that he readily wou the esteem of his hearers; and as years rolled by, recognis ing the great personal worth of our president, we learned to love him. The enthusiasm with which his health was drunk and the spontaneity of tho outburst, " for he's a jolly good fellow," testified to the deep affcction that lay berreath all this. When in 1900 the scheme for dividing the territory of the Guild into four branches was being developed. having satisfied himself that it, would not impair the unity of the Guild, he gave it his thorough support. Hitherto there had been but one or two meetinge of the Guild a year, after the formation of the branches there would be no less than sixteen, with the anticipated result of increased membership, better change ringing. It gave the late pro sident great pleasure to mark all this progress gradually taking place. His loss to the Guild is great, but be will live in the affection of those who knew him. May it be that his excellent and beneficent rule will be an inspiration to his successor in the presidency of the Guild.

## GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

The members of the Wotton-under-Edge and District Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association held their monthly meeting at Tytherington on Mareh 15th. Tytherington possesses only five bells, but having been recently rehung, the bells are in capital going order. About twertly attended the meeting, representing Dursley, Thornburv, Wotton-under-Edge, and Wickwar, while the local ringers were weli represented. Several six-scores were rung during the afternoon, including Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob and St. Simon's. - The tea and meeting were held at the Swan Hotel, the Vicar (the Rer. H. H. Arkell) presiding.- It was decided to hold the next meeting at Chipping Sodbury on April 12th.-The Secretary (Mr. T. Oakhill) made an appeal to the members present to attend the annual meeting, which was to bo lrit at Chippenham on April 19th.-Three new members were elected, wa from Thornbury and two from Tytherington.-The Vicar was, on the proposition of Mr. F. K. Howell, unanimously elected as an honorary member.
Mr. Iowell proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for presiding at the meeting, and for granting them the use of the bells. He said they were always pleased to see the clergy amongst them at these meetings. It showed they were taking more interest in the ringing. He claimed that they, as ringers, started the services of the church, and held no mean place as church officers. He was glad to welcome tho Vicar as an hon. member of the Association
The Vicar, in acknowledging the vote of thanks, said he was very pleased to weicome them to Tytherington. He always recognised the ringers as a body of Churchmen who held a great privilege. They gase the call to worship in such a way that everyone in the parish
conld hear them, and the service which followed was a coutinuation of what the rimgers themselves had started. The office of ringer was a holy office, and he felt sure there would be a great reward awaiting those who carried out their duties with a true and high motive. He thanked them for electing him as an honorary member.

The ringers afterwards visited the tower, where several 120 's in arious methous were rung
LONDON.—St. Mary Abbatt's Guild.-O 1 Feb. 16th. 1224 Domble Norwich Court Bob Caters: F. G. Symonds 1, J. R. Mackman 2, C. J. Dobbe 3, W. A. Garrard 4, W. G. Mathews 5, A. V. Selby 6, A. F. Harris 7, E. G. Stibbons 8, W. E. Garrard (conductor') 9, H. G. Miles 10. Oon March 16th, 1224 Double Norwich Court, Bob Caters: E. G. Stibbons 1, J. 12. Mackman 2, C. H. Dobbic 3, F. G. Symonds 4. W. A. Garrard 5. A. F. Fradley 6, C. Charge 7, A. V. Selby 8. W. E. Garrard (conductor) 9, A. F. Harris 10.

## BELLS FOR THE BLIND.

OPENING OF A NEW PEAL AT WATERTOWN, MASSACHUSETTS.
On the bank of the Charles River, in Watertown, a suburb of Boston, Massachusetts, a majestic Gothic tower dominates a colony of low buildings, whioh form the new home of the Perkin's Institution for the Blind. In this tower, designed with especial reference to the requirements of bells and bell ringers, has been recently hung a ring of eight bells, the gift of Mrs. A. O. Wheelwright, in memory of her husband. This peal, cast at tho Whitechapel Foundry, London, by the well-known firm of Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have a tenor of 22 cwts., in E. The honour of opening these bells on March 8th was assigned to the band of Groton School, reinforced by four members of the College Youths. Mr. Dan F. Gibbons (of London) officiated as conductor. Of our local band, reduced at present to a skeleton, some had had the opportunity of acquiring only the elements of the Art. It was thought, therefore, safer to limit the method ringing to Grandsire Doubles, with dorging in 6-7; 'uut inasmuch as a regular rhythm was maintained, the performance was certainly satisfactory, judged by tho manifestations of pleasure upon the part of the officials and pupils, as well as visitors coming from far and wide; for, if the composition was not apprehended, there was at least an appreciation of the meriy sound of well-attuned bells propelling their aerial music throughout a circuit of many miles.

Like the peal recently installed in the Hingham Memorial tower, these bells ⿹iffer in important respects from our American chimes. the most striking characteristic to the average listener being the result of the heavier weight of metal employed by English founders in the trebles, the effect being that their volume of sound, sweetness and carrying power is correspondingly increased, while they are not ovelpowered by the tenors. Visitors (not blind) who ventured to mount the belfry while the bells were swinging, were impressed with the stability of the cage and the superior character of the hangings and other appurtenances necessary to ensure accurate control of the bell. It is to be noted that each well-ordered set of bells introduced to a community serves as an educational object lesson, for the discerning public aro then no longer satisfied to accept inferior productions. Indeed, tho demand for those blatant, abominations called tubular bells has already practically ceased.

It is a physiological law that when one of the senses becomes impaired, or lost, those remaining are apt to be intensified; and, to the ringers, it was a novel sight to witness the enthusiastic excitement manifested by the blind pupils, who were conducted to the capacious ringing chamber. They conceived the notion that the strength of giants was requisite to impart such rapid motion to instruments of weight, and nothing could exceed the delight of one of these unfortunates upon discovering how easily, and at first attempt, he could draw off the tenor when poised moutl upward at back stroke.

Some pupils who have retained partial vision are confident of their ability under competent tuition to acquire proficiency in scientific ringing, so as to be enabled ultimately to assume exclusive management of the bells. Meanwhile it is planned to have attached to the tower a band of qualified ringers who may act in the capacity of instructors; and to those who have acquired a trade and can furnish recommendations, facilities will be extended for securing employment.
We are called upon again this present month to assist at the reopening of the historic peal of Christ Church, the first ring of bells exported from England. When shipping these bells from Bristol in 1745, Abel Rudhall wrote in a letter still preserved: "I have sent you a good ring of bells, and hope your will get ringers to have them well rung." At this late date, or at the expiration of one hundred and sixty-eight years, there is a fair prespect flat, with the help of recruits from England, Rudhall's wish may at length be gratified.
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Mr. Richard Newton, who has had such a long and honourable career with the Manchester Police Force, is among the first to take advantage of the invitation, extended by Dr. Nichols through our columns, to English ringers to go to the district of Boston. He leaves the police force on April 15th, and sails by tine SS. Franconia from Liverpool on April 29th. If any other ringers should be going out about that time they should communicate with Mr. Newton, at 11, Eva Street, Rusholme, Manchester, so that if possible, they may travel together. Ringers throughout the country will wish Mr. Newton every success in his new sphere.

## GUILDFORD'S PEAL OF TEN.

On Easter Day, the bells of St. Nicolas', Guildford, Surrey, were again heard, after having been completely overhauled by Messrs. Taylor and Sons, of Loughborough. The tenors have been rehung with new fittings, wheels, etc., and the other eight bells fitied with new bearings and gudgeons. On Easter Monday, a peal of Bob Major was Tung on the back eight, and after the neal the ringers expressed themselves as highly pleased with the "go" of the bells, great credit being due to the bell-hangers for the excellent job they have made of them. Thanks are due to Mr. Jamos Hunt for coming down from Iondon to assist, and to Mr. C. Willshire, who so kindly obliged by taking a rope at the last moment, owing to Mr. T. Radford being indisposed.

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LEICESTER CHURCHES.
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## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

## ANNUAL MEETING AT LEICESTER.

Leicester was the headquarters for 1913 of the M.C.A., and the Easter meeting was held there on Monday. The town possesses two peals of ten, and three of eight, which are in ringing order, and they were all made good use of from about 11 a.m. An unexpectedly fine day brought a large number of members together, 109 being present at the IHigh Cross Cafe.-The President, Sir Arthur Heywood, was in the chair, and was supported by the Rev. F. R. C. Payne, Vicar of St. Margaret's Church; the Rev. R. P. Farrow, Messns. W. C. Wakley, treasurer ; W. E. White, secretary; W. W. Worthington, E. D. Taylor, and others. Mr. J. W. Taylor, vice-president, was abroad, and, therefore, could not be present.-The Hon. Treasurer presented the balance sheet, and in proposing its adoption, Mr. C. Draper deplored the small number of reports sold, and also the amount of subscriptions outstand-ing.-Mr. E. D. Taylor seconded, and the accounts were passed.
The Chairman, in reviewing the peals of the year 1912, congratulated Miss Sanders, of Burton-on-Trent, on being the first lady to ring a handbell peal for the Association. The peals for the year reached the record number, for the Association, of 172. While rejoicing that peal ringing had reached to such a height in the Midlands, Sir Arthur was yet rominded of a subject broached by Mr. Dawe at the Johnson Memorial Dinner at Birmingham, In Mr. Dawe's opinion, the time was coming when there would be a rise on the purt of the brain workers against peal ringing. He (the President) had often pointed out that whereas in the older days peal ringing was immensely popular in the country with outsiders as well as performers, to-day there was a much larger body of brain workers than in former times. In the country the sound of peals was appreciated, but with head workers it was much the reverse. They had to bear in mind the strong animadversions that had been cast upon ringing as disturbing the public peace. Judges had made strong objections to ringing because of the disturbance to their courts. That opposilion to ringing, although it might not be very much in evidence at the present time, still was making headway. In these days, when it did not seem difficuld to get any sort of Bill through Parliament, it was quite possible to put an end to peal ringing. The subject was worth the members' serious consideration.

## QUALITY RATHER THAN QUANTITY.

The President went on: We have hitherto prided ourselves upon the largo number of peals we have rung. The question seems to be rather, whether we ought not to go in for quality rather than quantity. There are two courses of procedure we may take. Either we may go on and ring as many peals as we please, or we may take the more cautious course of trying to ring quality instead of quantity. In the first event, peal ringing may be done away with altogether. I leave the matter to your attention, and it is well worth it. I really do think that it is extromely important that we should be careful not to be selfish in the matter. We ring peals to please ourselves. It is to a great extent a delusion that we ring for the benefit of the public. We do not, I often think, ring enough for the public. In some towers the Sunday ringing is not so good or so frequent as it ought to be. And there is a limit to peal ringing. A really good peal with a really good band is much better than several indifferent peals. We ought to guard against ringing peals for the sake of ringing, and with no particular object. Don't put peal ringing on one side, but make the peals you do ring thoroughly worihy, and take care you are not doing an unkind thing to residents in the neighbourhood. Sir Arthur Heywood also pointed out that clergymen were often put into a difficult position by applications for permission to ring peals in populous neighbourhoods. Another thing he wanted to mention was that the Rector of Birmingham had told the gentleme, present ak the Johnson Dinner of his band (the St. Martin's Guild) joining, en masse, the C.E.M.S., and how he had received them all into the Society at a special service. Now, ringers were a very respectable set of fellows, and that respectability was due more to themselves than to any influence brought to bear by the Church. All the same, they were Church officers, and yet he was bound to say they were shocking bad Church-goers, as a body. If there was one thing that would really help forward the interests of ringers, it was that they should really make themselves members of the Church of England, and do their very best for a church which needed all their support (apolause).

## OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

Mr. Sherclift thanked the retiring officers for their services in the past year, and proposed they should be re-clected.-This was seconded by Mr. A. P. Wakley, and carried with applause. The President, Hon. Treasurer, and Hon. Secretary acknowledged the vote

A vote of thanks to the auditors (Messurs. C. Draper and E. D. Taylor) was ably proposed by Mr W. Fox, and seconded by Mr. J. H. Swin-field.-The auditors briefly replied.
The thanks of the Association to the clergy were voiced by the Rev. R. P. Farrow, who agreed with the words of the President with regard to attendance at church. admitting at the same time that the clergy in some places neglected the ringers.-Mr. W. W. Worthington seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously, and the Rev. F. R. C. Payns replied.

Mr. W. E. White thanked the Laicester ringers for the excellent arrangements made for the moeting and tea.-This was seconded by Mr. Bartram, and carriod.-One hon. member and 26 ringing members were admitted.
The quarterly mectings for the ensuing year wore fixed for Oakham, Southwell and Long Eaton.-Mr. J. S. Needham proposed a vote of thanks to the President for taking the charr, to which Sir Arthur replied.-This ended the business.

Some very good ringing was done during the day, including the first two courses of Bristol Surprise in Leicester, which were rung on St. John's bells. The other methods rung included Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Caters, Bob, Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Superlative, Cambridge and London Major.

A smoking concert was held in the evening, the only fault of which was that it was too well attended. The presence of the Misses Willson, Miss Sanaers, and other ladies, added much to the success of the meeting, Miss Willson acting as accompanist to the songs, and Miss Sanders taking part in the handbell ringing. A touch of Double Norwich, called by Mr. A. R. Aldham, was tapped on the piano by Mr. A. P. Wakley.

## DEATH OF MR. CHARLES HOUNSLOW.

The Exercise will hear with deep regret of the death of Mr. Charles Hounslow, of Oxford, who has passed away at the advanced age of 81 years. For over 50 years he took an active part in change ringing in Oxford and the surrounding district. It was largely owing to his influence that change ringing continued to flourish in Oxford through the period preceding the formation of the Oxford Guild. But for a few enthusiasts in the art, of whom Charles Hounslow was the leading spirit, it must have died out.
The funeral took place on Wednesday week at the SS. Mary and John Churchyard, in the presence of a large gathering of sympathetic followers. The Rev. C. Jenkyn, Master of the Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers, officiated at the graveside, and folluwiny, the funeral service, Messrs. Freeborn, A. Fox, T. Payne, of Oxford, and F. Hopwood, and J. E. Heard, of leading, rang in an impressive manner a course of Stedman Triples on the handbells over the grave. There were numerous wreaths and floral tributes.
Amongst those present were Councillor Symonds, Messrs. F. Newell (Reading), G. Holifield, junr. and senr. (Appleton), F. Castle, T. A. Strange (steward), W. Jeffrey, A. Fox, C. Flester. G. A. King, V. Bennett (secretary), J. Howes, F Webb, J. Wakelin, E. A. Rivers, and F. Smith.

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The Vicar and churchwardens acknowledge with many thanks the following further contributions towards the cost of recasting the tenor, A friend, £2 2s.; A. V. G. W., £1; A. C. (Red Deer, Alberta, Canada) £1; J. B. (Vancouver, B.C.), 5s.; J. L., 5s.: B. H.' T. D., 5s.: L. M D. C., 2s. 6d.: A. C., 2s. 6d.; B. R., 2s.; W. H. F., 1s.; J. T., 1s. Ely Diocesan Association (collected at Bury St. Edmunds at the annual meeting), 13 s . Also from the following bands Whittle-le-W'oods (Lincs.), 5 s. 6d.; St. James', Bury St. Edmunds, 4 s . : Radcliffe (Lancs), $3 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d} .:$ total received to date, $£ 306 \mathrm{~s}$.; amount required, £35. Donations to complete the fund will be thankfully received by the Vicar, Mr. W. Doggett, or Mr. H. Croot, Irong Stanton, Cambs.

## ODD CHANGES.

On Easter Sunday, Messrs. F. S. Downing (Birmingham) and H. G. Aston (Peterborough) were each presented with a gold scarf pin, suitably engraved, by the members of the Coalbrookdale band, to which they formally belonged. The Rev. C. B. Crowe made the presentation.

Peals of 6000 and odd changes are not taken so much notice of in these days as once was the case, but it is noteworthy that we record this week the longest length of Stedman Cinques yet rung on handbells. This was a 6063 rung by the Middlesex Association last Saturday.

Another peal of more than passing interest is the 7325 Grandsire Cinques rung at Painswick. on Monday. It is the longest length on the bells since 1858 . Painswick has been the scene of many noteworthy nerformances, and it was there that the record length of Treble Twelve was rung, and which stood for many years until beaten in igII at Ashton-under-Lyne.

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## TO THE WEST.

On Sunday week, a 720 of Grandsire Doubles was rung for evening service at Charing Church by: H. Willard 1, O. F. Good 2, O. L. Prior 3, W. C. Gqod 4. II. E. Good (conductor) 5, J. Colbreay 6. An attempt for a peal of 5040 had to be abandoned owing to the indisposition of one of the band. This was arranged as a farewell peal to Mr. C. F. Good, who has since left for Canada. On Tuesday, the 18th inst., he was the recipient of two valuable purse belts, subseribed for by the Charing ringers.--The Vicar (the Rev. D. R. Fotheringham), in making the presentation, said that he doped for the day when the peal of six at Charing would be increased to eight.-The rirgers afterwards adjourned to the King's Head Hotel, where the remainder of the evening was spent in harmony. the following contributing to the programme: Messrs. J. Colbreay, C. L. Prior, W. and H. E. Good and T. Ifield, junr., with Mrs. Walker at the piano.
The Charing band are about to start on Bob Minor, and if any gentlemen in the district would volunteer to assist they would be heartily welcomed on Tuesday evenings at 7.30 , or any other evenings by arrangement.

## NOTICES.

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THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-A special ringing meeting will be held at Finedon on Saturday, March 29th. The new peal of bells will be ready at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 (lasting 20 minutes). Tea in the Star Hall at 5 p.m.-W. Perkins, Vistrict Secretary, 6, Addington Road, Irthlingborough.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -A branch meeting will be held at Rishton on Saturday, March 29th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be held at St. John the Baptist's, Hillingdon, by kind permission of the Rev. C. M. Harvey, on Saturday, March 29th, 1913. A service will be held at 5 p.m., when an address will be given by the Rev. C. M. Harvey. Tea at 6 o'clock, 7 d. each, and meeting to follow. The business will include the election of a new president, and any alteration of the rules consequent thereon, to make it effective. The following towers will be open for ringing : St. John the Baptist's (io) from 2 p.m. and St. Andrew's (8) from 3 p.m. All are welcome.-C. T. Coles, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow, H. C. Chandler, Church Road, Heston, Honorary Secretaries.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -Established 1637.-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on April ist, 15 th and 29th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Strect, on the 1 oth and 24 th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the ist and 29th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the $\mathrm{r}_{5}$ th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 22nd. Also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus at $7 \cdot 30$, the others at 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.IV.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The committee will meet at Oxford on Saturday, April 5th. "Motions" for the agenda must be sent to me not later than Saturday, March I5th.-Albert E. Reeves, Secretary, 5, Fatherson Road, Reading.
WORCE§TERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Great Hampton, on Saturday, April 5th. Service in church at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting in the Parish Room after service. All intending to be present at tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, April ist. Bells (6) at 3 p.m., Evesham (io), Bengeworth (6) availahle from 7.45 p.m. till 9 p.m.-J. Hemming, Branch Secretary, Io, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Eccles, on Saturday, April 5 th. Bells available at 4.30. Meeting at $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A good attendance is desired to give a welcome to the new Vicar. - W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOC-IETY.-The next meeting will be held at Guiseley on April $5^{\text {th, }}$ I913. Bells available from $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. for practice meeting. All ringers welcome. Business meeting at the Red Lion Hotel at 7-30. - F. Hopwood, Secretary, 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke, Bradford.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Stockport Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Bowdon on Saturday, April 5th.-Rev. A. T. Beeston, Honorary Secretary, New Mills.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held on Saturday, April 5th, I913, at Christ Church, Bacup. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m., meeting at $6.30 .-\mathrm{J}$. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 3.30 p.m., Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

BATH AND W'ELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIA-TION.-Axbridge Deanery Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Berrow, on Saturday, April $5^{\text {th. }}$. meeting will be held at Berrow, on Saturday, April $4 \cdot 30$, lea and meeting to follow in the Parish Hall, tea 6d. each. Bells available from 2 p.m., Burnham bells from 7 p.m.-J. Harris, Branch Sec., Burnham.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch.-The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Leesfield Parish Church on Saturday, April I2th, I9I3. Bells ready at 3 o'clock, meeting at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome.-J. H. Bastow, Branch Sec., I3, Norman Street, North Moor, Oldham.
VISITORS TO BLACKPOOL will find every convenience at Mrs. E. Howarth's, I4, May Bell Avenue, Springfield Road, Blackpool, N.S.

VISITORS TO BRISTOL will find every convenience and moderate charges at Mrs. Walker's, Admiral Dur. can, Nicholas Street, Bristol Headquarters of the Bristoi Ringers.

## MR. J. THOMAS' 200 PEALS.

With a peal of Grandsire Caters on handbells, recorded this week, Mr . J. Thomas completed his double century. His list is made up as follow:

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| Kent Treble Bob Major | 4 | 1 | 1 |  |
| Kent Treble Bob Royal | 1 |  |  |  |
| Forward Major |  |  |  |  |
| Double Norwich Major | 6 |  |  |  |
| Stedman Triples | 38 | 10 | 3 | 1 |
| Stedman Caters ........ | 22 | 2 | 2 |  |
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| Jondon Surprise Major | 14 | 2 |  |  |
| Superlative ................ | 6 | 2 |  |  |
| Cambridge | 9 | 2 |  |  |
| New Cambridge | 4 | 1 |  |  |
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| Norfolk | 1 |  |  |  |
| Cambridge Royal | 6 | 1 |  |  |
| Totals | . 176 | 57 | 24 | 16 |

* Including 12,160.


## RINGING AT ABERDEEN. <br> To the Editor.

Dear $\mathrm{Sir},-\mathrm{I}$ observe in your issue of the 21st inst. reference to ringinge ati the Catnedral in Inverness. I beg to state that our band have risited Inverness several times, the last occasion being about two years ago, and had a touch or two on the bells. There is a local band of ringers, but not having an instructor well up in change ringing, they have not had much chance. But if your correspondent, Mr. Bernard, would write to Mr. MreEnvoy, secretary, at Inverness Cathedral, I hare Yours foith fully, Socretary, St. Mary's Cathedral Society, Edinburgh.
ILLUMINATED ADDRESSES, PEAL CARDS AND ALBUMS artistically executed.-A. S. Beer, $6_{3}$, Devonshire Avenue, Southsea.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A very successful meeting of the Rochester district was held ati Tunstall on Saturday week, members being present from Rochester, Chatham, Gillingham, Upchurch, Queenboro', Eastchurch, Sittingbourne, Rodmersham and Tunstall in the Rochester District, and Charing in the Ashford District.-A short service was held, the Rector (the Rev. H. E. T. Cruso), who gave an excellent address, expressing, on behalf of his warden and himself, a welcome to the Association to his, church. After service, by the lindness of the local ringers and Rector, tea was provided in the Schoolroom, 34 members sitting down. -The business meeting followed with the Rector in the chair.-Six new members were elected, and Rainham was selected for the next meeting, to be held in Juns, providing that the bells are back from the foundry. Hartlip was selected should the Rainham bolls not be finished. - A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector, Mr. Churchwarden Greensted, and the organist; and, last but not least, the local members and their wives who so ably attended to the wants of the inner man.-After a few touches on the handbells, the tewer was again visited, and ringing concluded with a 360 of College Single. Other methods rung were: Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Oxford Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Ovford and Cambridge Surprise.

BEDFORD. - At St. Paul's Church, on Feb. 16th, 504 Stedman Triples: L. Harlow' 1, E. Tingey 2, J. Church 3, I. Tysoe 4, C. Chasty 5, F. Smith 6, H. Sharp (conductor) 7, J. Ekins 8. Rung with bells half-muffled, as a tribute to the memory of the late Capt. Scott and his companions.
LEWES, SUSSEX.-On Feb. 22nd, at Southover Church, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins. : G. Richardson 1. E. J. Pannett 2, E. E. Bish 3, J. Feist 4, G. II. Sturt 5, F. S. Sturt 6, A. J. Turner (conductor) 7, W. Moore 8. W. Moore's first quarter-peal, and rung as a birthday compliment to him and his father.

## FARNINGHAM, KENT.

At St. Peter and St. Paul's Church, Farningham, 64 720's of Minor and Doubles were rung in 1912, made up of Bob Minor 47, Grandsire Minor 12, Grandsire Doubles 12. Those taking part were: A. Bates 63. (conducted 56), J. Couchman 62 (conducted 5), G. Mason 62, W. Wingate 58, F. Mason 56, L. Rutter 51, and the following visitors: A. Bailey 4 (conducted 2), T. Brooker 6, L. Smith and T. Collier 3 each, E. Bates, F. Gates, A. Gates and A. Martin 2 each, and R. Constance, W. West and T. Groombridge (conducted 1) 1 each. Out of these 720's, 54 were rung for Sunday services.

## MR. J. THORPE'S 100 PEALS.

On tower bells: Bob Minor, 1 (conducted 1); Minor in 4 methods, 2; Bob Major, 5; Bob Royal, 2; Kent Treble Bob Major, 7 (including 6208 and 11,232); Royal, 1; Maximus, 3; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 1 ; College Single Major, 1; Double Norwich, 4; Grandsire Triples, 7; Caters, 4; Stedman Triples, 12; Caters, 6 (including 6591); Cingues, 5; total, 61. On handbells: Bob Major, 16 (conducted, 1); Royal, 3; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 1; Little Bob Major, 1; Grandsire Triples, 8; Caters, 10; total, 39 .

## B. MITCHELL'S 50 PEALS.

Grandsire Triples, 10, conducted, 1 ; Caters (one on handbells), 9 ; Stedman Triples, 11; Caters, 6; Kent Treble Bob Major, 1; Royal, 1; Duffield Major, 1; Double Norwich Major, 8, conducted, 1; Superlative Surprise Major, 3; Cambridge Surprise Major, 1; total, 50, conducted, 2. Rung in 14 towers, in three counties; 49 of the peals having been rung for the Midland Counties Association.

## A MACCLESFIELD PEAL COMMEMORATED.

A peal board has been unveiled at Macclesfield recording the first peal rung on the bells of Christ Church. Mr. Stanway, who requested the Vicar to perform the ceremony, spoke in eulogistic terms of the work of Mr. Stoneley as instructor. Up to the time that he was engaged in June, 1911, little or no change ringing had been done on the bellş by Christ Church ringers. By the end of the year, however, they were able to ring 120 Grandsire Doubles, and on February 25th, 1912, they rang their first 720 of Minor. On June 8th they rang their first 5040 , and to commemorate that event his brother and himself desired to give the board, which was of solid oak and written in gold. He also asked the Vicar and church officials to accept a photograph of the members of the Chester Diocesan Guild, which was taken to commemorate its 25 th anniversary. -The Vicar accepted with thanks both tiae peal board and the photograph, and then unveiled the former. -In according thanks to the donors of the peal board, a tribute was paid to the progress of the ringers at Christ Church. and the proceedings terminated with 120 Grandsire Doubles rung, by: E. Greenwood 1, F. Stoneley 2, F. Hirst 3, S. Stanway 4, W. H. Wheelton 5n ©. E. Galleymore 6.

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

TUNSTALL.-Stcke Archidiaconal Association.-On Sunday, March 16th, at Christ Church, with the bells muffled, for the late Lord Bishop of Lichfield, a quarter-peal of Superlative ( 1344 changes): $\mathbb{F}$. Smith 1, G. A. Smith (conductor) 2, J. Darlington 3, J. Godber 4, W. J. Wash G. A. Smith (conductor) Washbrook 6, A. Clay 7, Wm. Thompson 8.

WOL VERHAMPTON.-Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. On Palm Sunday, before and after evensong, at the Collegiate Church of St. Peter, 450 and 287 Grandsire Caters, were rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Right Rev. the Hon Augustus Legge, Bishop of Lichfield, who died the previous day: $H$ Hawkswood I, H. Mitchell 2, F. Darrall 3, T. D'Connor 4, A. Little 5 H. Farlow 6, W. G. Hall 7, B. Clark 8, II. Knight (concluctor) 9, E Mitchell 10.

NORTHLAMPTON.-On Sunday, March 16th, at All Saints' Church in 50 mins., a quarter-peal of Superlative ( 1260 changes): J. White 1 , A. J Heasman 2, E. Harris 3, J. T. Heasman 4. A. W. Coles (corductor) 5, IT. Rainbow 6, W. J. Allen 7, H. Blondell 8

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.-On Sunday, March 16th, at the Chureh of St. Peter, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Jackson (Mossley), first attempt at Grandsire 1, G Garnett 2, J. W. Holme 3, H. Holme 4. R. Wimpenny 5, H. Paimer 6, W. W. Wolstencroft 7, E. Barton 8.

HFRR'TFORD.-At St. Andrew's Church, on March 16th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins.: R. Dore 1, H. J. Gray 2, E. J. Newell 3, W. Irons 4, V. Neale (first quarter-peal as conductor) 5, A. I. Greasey 6, G. Gray 7, A. Akers 8.

PUTHAM, NORFOLK. - Norwich Association.-On March 1st, for morning service, 672 Double Norwich: F. Borrett (conductor) 1, C Baker 2, J. Allen 3. R. Whiting 4, E. Whiting 5, C. Roope 6, W Roope '7, T. Roope 8. For evening service, 672 Superlative Surprise F'. Bowrett (conductor) 1, E. Whiting 2, A. Roope 3, R. Whiting 4, C. Baker 5. F. Surridge 6, G. Roope 7, F. Roope 8.-On March 8th, 448 Cambridge Surprise: F. Borrett (conductor) 1, A. Roope 2, J. Allen 3, C. Baker 4, E. Whiting 5, C. Roope 6, W. Roope 7, F. Roope 8. For evening service, 576 Oxford Treble Bob Major: C. Brice (conductor) 1 E. Whiting 2, H. Garnliam 3, R. Riches 4, G. Gower 5, H. Adcock 6, E. Whiting 7, T. Adcock 8.

LONDON.-At St. Mathew's, Bethmal Green.-On Sunday, March 16th. a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major: A. Hughes 1, W. Thuss 2, W. Theobald 3, G. E. Joyce 4, T. Cranfield 5, J. Moule 6, R. Sanders 7, H. Torble (conductor) 8.
WILLESDEN, BHDDLESEX.-On March 11th, 720 Carlisle Surprise: TT. Barrett 1, G. Kilby 2, G. Chalkley 3, H. Kilby 4, T. Langdon (conductor) 5, F. J. Hardy 6. First on the bells and by all the band.-On Sunday, Narch 16th, 720 Plain Bob: A. French 1, G. Kilby 2, F. Barrett (first 720 with bob bell) 3, T. Langdon 4, G. Chalkley 5, H. Kilby (confuctor) 6.
HAMMERSMITH. - St. Paul's Guild. - On March 13lh, 1280 Bob Major. in 50 mins.: W. Stevens 1, H. Crooke 2. H. Stevens 3, H. Cook 4, R. Mackrill 5, C Hunt 6, F. Skevington 7, G. Iles (conductor) 8

STANSTED. - Fssex Association. - On March 10th. at the Parish Church, 308 Grandsire Triples: G. Gray 1, T. J. Watts 2, G. Joudan 3, T. Luckey 4. TV. T. Prior 5, H. Little 6, W. Watts (conductor) 7, F. Potter 8. Also 420 Stedman Triples, with T. J. Watts, conductor; and on Sunday, March 16th, for morning service, 312 Stedman Triples: G. Grav 1. A. Jordan 2, T. J. Watts 3, G. Jordan 4, T. Jordan 5, H. Little 6. W. Wratts (conductor) 7. F. Potter 8

LEATHERFEAD.-On March 11th. 1280 Bob Major: E. Boniface 1, W. E. Otway 2, W. Messam 3, A. H. Winch (conductor) 4, W. Marks 5 , E. Hull 6, A. C. Otway 7. A. Dean 8. First quarter-peal of Bob Major by an entirely local band.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.-Kent Association.-On March 8th, to commemorate the 50th annisersary of the landing of Queen Alexandra. which took place at the Royal Terrace Pier, within easy distance of the Church, 720 Plain Bob: H. Argent 1. G. Ambrose 2, P. Ashenden (Mcopham) 3, J. Burles 4. H. Holden (Meopham) 5, F. Mitchell (con(7uctor) 6. Also 720 Kent Treble Bob: H. Argent 1, G. Ambrose 2, G. Jones 3, II. Iokden 4, J. Burles 5, F. Mitohcli' (conductor) B.-On Palm Sunday, for morning service, 720 Plain Bob: G. Collins 1, II. Argent 2, Hayes 3, J. Burles 4. G. Ambrose 5, T. Mitchell (conductor) 6. For evening service, a quarter-peal (1260 changes), in six methods. Wrodbine. Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure aud Plain Pob: G. Collins 1, G. Jones 2, G. Ambrose 3, J. Burles 4. F. Hayes 5, F. Mitchell (conductor) 6.

NOTTTNGFAM.-On March 13th, at St. Peter's, after an attempt for a peal of Stedman, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich: "G. IT. Johnson 1. *J. Wonlley 2. A. Coprock (conductor) 3, *A. Barratt 4, J. C. Dicken 5. *S. Wesley 6, F. S. Price 7, *W. Ayre 8. * First quarter-peal.
CREIWF.-On Easter Day, for evening service, at Christ Church, Crewe, 1272 Stedman Caters, in 54 mins. : W. T. Holding 1, R. T. Holding, junr.. 2, J. H. Riding 3, H. F. Holding 4, W. F. Hartshorne 5, A. Crawley 6, G. H. Crawley 7. J. Dentith 8, R. T. Holding, senr. (cosiductor) $9, \mathrm{R}$. D. Langford 10. Longest touch of Stedman Caters on the bells. All the ringers are loeal me:n.

GRAVESEND.-On Easter Sunday, for evening service, at St. George's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: W. Gates I, R. Tall 2, C. Constant 3, R. Smith 4, J. Constant 5, A. Constant (first quarter as conductor) 6, R. Constant 7, E. Hadlow 8.
FULBOURN, CAMBS.-On Good Friday, 720 Double Oxford, rung with bells muffled. E. Webb 1, W. Scotcher'2, H. Hall 3, L. G. Mallion 4, J. Page 5, B. D. Buttriss (conductor) 6. Also a course of Cambridge Surprise.
PUTNEY. - At the Parish Church, on Easter Sunday evening, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, iri 46 mins.: $H$. Whanslaw (first quarterpeal in the method) 1, J. Herbelt 2, W. Honeyball 3, O Collis. junr., 4, G. W. Foneyball 5, T. Bolton 6, J. Kent 7, Arthur Jones (conductor) 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to H. Whanslaw.

SHIPLEY, SUSSEX.-On March 17th, 720 Bob Minor: W. Demman, junr., 1, Miss Bertha Mitchell 2, T. Adams 3, G. Lucas 4, J. F. Bowell 5, A, Cripps (conduvtor) 6. First 72) on an inside bell by Miss Mitchell, and rung at the first attempt.-On Eastor Day, for morning service, 720 London Surprise: W. Denman 1, T. Adams 2, R. II. Bowell 3, G. Lucas 4, J, F. Bowell 5. A. Cripps (conductor) 6. First 720 of London Surprise by all the band. In the afternoon an attempt was made for a peal of Surprise Minor, but it was lost after an hour's capital ringing. Afterwards, a 720 Oambridge and 720 Carlisle Surprise was rung for the evening service, the band standing in the same order as in the London.
BLETOHLEY, BUCKS.-Oxford Guikl.-On Easter Day, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: F. Stanton 1, J. Mead 2, L. Meager 3, W. Sear 4, T. Best 5, F. Marks 6. II. Scar (conductor) 7, F. Goodman 8. First quarter-peal of Stedman by all except H. and W' Sear, and first quarter by the local band.
HALLOW, WORCESTERSHIRE.-On March 9th, for morning service, 855 Stedman Triples: C. Bowkett 1, G. Hinton, junr., 2, W. Ronse 3, J. Batchelor 4. T. Bullock 5. W. Page (conductor) 6, G. Checketts 7, J. Purdoe 8.-On March 16th, for evening service, 840 Grandsire Triples (from Molt's Original): W. Page (conductor) 1, C. Bowkett 2, J. Purdoe 3, W. Rouse 4, J. Batchelor 5, T. Bullock 6, A. Winterton 7, W. Sharp 8. WOOLTON. LANCASHMRE.-At St. Peter's Church, on March 16th, for morning service, 504 Grandsire Triples: C. Gittins 1, G. IIs!op (conductor) 2, A. J. Hughes (Banger) 3, F. Thomas 4, R. Leather 5, T. Kay 6, A. E. Grave 7, J. Roberts 8. For evening service, 490 Grandsiro Triples: J. Roberts 1, G. Fislop 2, C. Gittins 3, F. Thomas 4, A. F Graco 5, A. J. Hughes (conductor) 6, T. Kay 7, H. IIudson 8.

CHILDWALLA.-At the Parish Church, 720 Bob Minor: H. Turton (first 720) 1, G. Hislop 2, A. J. Hughes 3, T. Rigg 4, J. Roberts 5, A. E. Grace (conductor) 6.

SOUTHWOLD, SUFFOLK.-On March 16th, for evening service, 672 Grandsire Triples (from Holt's Original): F. Osborne 1, J. Larter 2, J. Farrington 3, J. Gillings 4, E. Goodwin 5, W. E. Ayers 6, H. Barton (conductor) 7, G. Blowers 8 .
BRISTOL.-On March 15th, at St. Stephen's, a quarter-peal of Grand sire Triples: S. Abrahams 1, W. Farley 2, T. B. Holmyard 3, R. II Leaker 4, G. Vickery 5, F. J. Cooker 6, F. G. Leaker (conductor) 7, If Abrahams 8.

COALRROOKDATH, SFROPSHTRF-On Gocd Friclay, the bells of Holy Trinity Church were rung half-muffled for evening service. A quarter-peal of Stedman Triples ( 1260 changes), in 48 mins.; also 420 : H. Aston 1, W. Jones 2, TL. Bailev 3. C. Watts 4, F S. Downing 5, W Lago 6, W. Saunders (conductor) 7, J. Garbett 8. Mr. W. Morgan, late conductor, who heard the ringing, congratulated the band on the per fect striking.

WOOTTON BASSETT.-Salisbury Dicersan Guild.-On March ist. at tho Parish Church. 510 Grandsire Doubles, with the bells halfmuffled, as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Earl Nelson, President of the Guild: W. T. Baxter 1, I, Wilson conductor) Harold Llewellin 3, M. Tuck 4, F. Harris 5. C. Curtis 6-On Sunday, March 2nd, lot evening service, a guarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles in 40 mins.. with 4.6, 8 covering: W. T. Baxter 1, IV Vilson conductor) 2, İ. Tlewellin 3. C. Barber 4, M. Tuck 5, S. Telling 6, F Harris 7, C. Curtis 8. This is the longest length by all excent the conductor, and is also the longest rung by an entirely local band
GRTAT TOTFAM, FSSFX-On March 1st. at St. Peler's Chureh, 720 Norwich Surnrise: P. C. Sayer 1, T. Chalk 2, J. Owers 3, F. White 4, T. T. Mancfield 5, J. D. Buckingham (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method by all.

SFATAE, SURRFYY.-On March 1st, 720 K ant Treble Bob Minor: : ${ }^{*}$ W. Fisher 1. H. Chaffev 2, *A. Crourher 3. Alf. Creucher 4, *G. Fisher Edwards (conductor) 6. * First 720 of Kent.
HURST,FY. TANTS.-On March 2ntl. fot morning service 720 Plain Bob, in 26 mins.: A. Warren (first 720) 1, *F. Wild 2, J. Richards 3 a A. Pannell 4. R. G. Finnt 5, W. Jones (conductor) 6. * First 720
FINCHTLFY.-On Shturday, Mareh 1st, an attempt for a peal in Treble Boh meihods come to grief, after ringing 720 Willesden Delight and Oxford Troblo Bob: F. Barrett 1, G. M. Kilby 2, G. Clalkley 3, W. G. Matthews 4, T. Langdon 5, H. Kilby (conductor) 6 Afterwards 720 Kent Troble Bob, with F. Barker, of Finchley, 4, his firsk in the method.
1SBNHILTON.-On March 2nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, 1260 changes (takon from Holt's Original), in 42
mins. : T. Bryant 1, S. Reyner 2, L. C. Ferrige 3, F. Ford 4, W. Wood 5, J. Warwick 6, J. Webb (conductor) 7, G. Rayner 8.

SALETHURST, SUSSEX.-On Tuesday, March 11th, this energetic band, members of the Sussex Association, added another quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples to their credit in 52 mins., conducted by W. Franks, of Battlo, who is acting as coach to the band: J. Goodsell (first quarter with a working bell) 1, E. Mills 2, H Edwards (first quarterpeal) 3, W. Cramp 4, T. Booth 5, W. Hoad 6, W. Franks 7, S. Goodsell 8.
LONDON.-On Sunday morning, Maroh 16th, at St. Dunstan's-in-theFast, on the occasion of a visit in state of Alderman Humphrey and the Common Council of the Tower Ward of the City of L-ondon, 1280 Kent Treble Bob Major, in 52 mins.: T. King 1, A. II. Palmer 2, C. T. Coles (conductor) 3, E. E. Grimes 4, R. N. Runham 5, J. A. Trollope 6, J. E. Davis 7, A. W. Grimes (composer) 8.

TAMTORTH.-On March 16th, at the Parish Church, 700 Grandsire Triples, with the bells muffled for the death of the Lord Bishop of Lichfield: G. Chaplin 1, A. E. Young (conductor) 2, J. W. Timms 3, A. Chaplin 4, W. Chapman 5, A. Everitt 6, R. P. Brindley 7, F. Keen 8.

Willesdens-On Sunday, Dec. 22nd, a 720 of Plain Bob: Miss Dora Ellis (Hrst 720) 1, G. M. Kilby 2, G. Chalkley 3, T. Langdon 4, R. Kilby 5, II. Kilby (conductor) 6.-On March 2nd, 720 Wooilbine Treblo Bob: F. T3arrett 1, G. Chalkley 2, E. White (of Elstow, Bedford) 3, G. M. Kilby 4, T. Langdon (conductor) 5, H. Kilby 6. Also 720 Plaiz Bob ( 46 calls), with. A. French (first 720) 1.
MIDSOMER NORTON.-At the Parish Church, on Dec. 31st, 1912, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, by the following local members: I. B. Holmyard 1, C. Ford 2, J. Hambleton 3, F. Chivers 4, F. Speed 5, R. Jones 6, W. Keevill (comductor) 7, G. Seymour 8. First quarterpeal by the ringers of 2nd and tenor, and first on a bob bell for the ringer of the 6th.
BARROW-ON-HUMBER, LINCS. - Lincoln Diocesan Guild (Northern Branch). - On Jan. 10th, 720 Bob Minor (18 bobs and 9 singles): R. Pratt 1, J. Barrick 2, H. Batson 3, G. Thompson, junr., 4, E. Dannatt 5. W. Crowder (conductor) 6.-On Feb. 8th, 720 Bob Minor (42 singles) : R. Pratt 1. J. Barrick 2, E. Dannatt 3, H. Batson 4, W. Goddard (Thornton) 5, W. Crowder (conductor) 6.
BREDENBURY, HEREFORDSIMRE.-On Jan. 31st, 360 Canterbury, 360 Plain Bob, 120 Grandsire Minor, by: W. Quartley, H. Lambert, W. Clements, W. Watkins, S. Clements, A. Tomkins, R. Bethel.-On Sundry, Feb. 2nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 40 mins : C . Bethel 1, II. Lambert 2, W. Watkins 3, A. Tomkins (conducter) 4, R. Bothel 5, W. Quartley 6.
ISLEWORTH.-Middlesex Association.-On Sunday, Feb, 2nd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 43 mins. : F. G. Goddard 1, W. E. Garrard (conductor) 2, T. Beadle 3, C. Dell 4, C. J. Dobbie 5, W. A. Garrard 6, G. Spencer 7, A. Beckensale 8. For men's service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. Webb 1, J. Kent 2, J. Crocker 3, F. E. Cole 4, J. Owers (first quarter) 5, T. Beadle 6, F. Skevington (conductor) 7, G. Spencer 8.
WALTHAMSTOW.-The Middlesex Association.-On Sunday, Feb. 9th, after evensong, 1263 Sterlman Caters, in 49 mins.: J. H. Wilkins 1. F. Rumens 2, H. Rumens 3, C. T. Coles (conductor) 4, ${ }^{*}$ N. Tomlinson 5, J. C. Adams 6, *F. G. Tegg 7, J. Armstrong 8, F. C. Maynard 9, R. Maynard, senr., 10. * First quavter-peal on ten bells.
PORTSEA.-At the Parish Church, 504 Stedman Triples: J. Harris 1, A. S. Becr 2, A. Collins 3, J. Wheeler 4. J. Symonds 5, C. Creasy 6, E. J. Marding (conductor) 7, J. Mathews 8.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.-On Feb. 9th, at St. Margaret's Church, before evensong, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. T. Gilbert 1, ' ${ }^{\prime}$. Moulden 2, F. Looker 3, W. G. Lancaster 4. G. Lancastor 5, W. J. Nevard (Great Bentley), conductor, 6. Also 720 after erconsong: 'I'. Moulden 1, R. W. Hyner 2, W. J. Nevard 3, W. G. Lancaster 4, G. Lancaster (conductor) 5, C. J. Gardiner 6 .
SIWINDON, WILTS. - At Christ Church, on Feb. 9th, 560 Double Norwich: J. H. Odey 1. E. Bishop 2, R. W. Hyner 3, G. W. Townsend 4, S. Pamer 5, W. J. Yevard (Great Bentley) 6, G. Lancaster 7, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 8. Also 384 Superlative Surprise: N. Bishop 1, R. W. Elyner 2, G. W. Townsend 3, W. J. Nevard 4, J. H. Shepherd 5, H. W. I_ Wells 6, G. Lancaster 7, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 8.- On Sarch 2nd. a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: A. Lawrence 1, O. W. Layng 2, J. M. Odey 3, R. W. Hyner 4, G. W. Townsend 5, E. Bishop (conductor) 6. S. Palmer 7, A. W. Harrington 8.
TROWBRIDGE-On Feb. 15th, at St. James' Church, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: J. Francis 1, II. Taylor 2, A. E. Angel 3, A. West 4. S. J. Hector (conductor) 5, A. K. Hirrison 6, Q. H. Harding 7, S. Francis 8. The ringers of the 2nd, 3rd and 4th hail from Melksham, and the tenor man from Hilperton.
CHIDDINGFOTD, SURREY.-The Winchester Diocesan Guild. On Feb, Rist, a quarier-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins : C. Remnant 1, T. Attwell 2, T. Luff 3, W. G. Brockhurst 4, J. Allford 5, G. and first attempt) 8.-On Sunday , Walter fimmume (first quarter and first attempt) 8.-On Sunday, Feb. 23rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins. (taken from Holt's Original): T. Luff 1, A. J. Bartlett 2, H. G. Brockhurst (eonductor) 3 , G. Luff 4, T. Atwell 5, J. Allford 6, H. J. Ellis 7, Walter Simmonds 8 .

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## MODERN

WORK.

## BELLS AND THE PUBLIC.

When a subject becomes one for general discussion it may fairly be anticipated that some good may result. This we hope will be the outcome of the publicity which is now being given to the matter of excessive peal ringing in populous areas. The matter has been debated before, but it is one which it is well not to lose sight of, and it is given the more prominence at this moment by the lead which Sir Arthur Heywood, the President of the Central Council, is taking. He admits that in thickly populated districts the overdoing of peal ringing is a real danger to the Exercise. Sir Arthur has emphasised the point in speeches both at Birmingham and Leicester recently, and, coming from one in his position, the warning must carry weight. Mr. Arthur King, presiding at the meeting of the Middlesex Association on Saturday, also touched on the same matter. He ably championed the cause of the peal ringer, and, in reply to the advice that is always so readily given that ringers should show consideration for others, he pointed out that ringers are ever considerate, for they would always willingly forego their practice when appealed to in case of illness near a church.
With that view everyone will be in agreement. No ringer would for a moment desire to pursue his pleasure, at the expense of a fellow creature on a bed of sickness, but we think Sir Arthur Heywood's comments are designed to touch a wider state of affairs than this. There are towers -we need not go out of London to find them-where a great deal of ringing goes on. At one, for instance, three peals were recently rung within the space of about a month, and that in the heart of the great city. For our part we do not in the least lay blame upon anyone. The ringers belonged to different associations. Each in turn had applied for the bells, and, having been granted the use of them, naturally made the most of the opportunity.

But all this does not alter the fact that in such districts there grows up among an unappreciative public an opposition to the bells which it is difficult to allay, and while the real objectors may now be small in numbers, they might not find it difficult to win over to their opinion many others who are at present indifferent, and thus, perhaps, raise such a very considerable opposition that church authorities would feel bound to take notice of it. Sir Arthur Heywood's desire is to counsel moderation, before things have the opportunity of reaching this undesirable pass, and those who have the best interest of the Exercise at heart will agree with him, as they also will with Mr. King when he emphasises the need for judgment and tact, and the importance of give and take in these matters. Where there is genuine reason for complaint let it be met by ringers in a spirit of goodwill, and all will be well.

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## TEN BELL PEALS.

WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Saturday, March 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANCE ;

| Samuel Grove | ...Treble | Rev. E. V. Cox ... | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frederick Dickens | 2 | Reuben Hall |  |
| Horace Belcher | 3 | Jesse Screen ... ... | 8 |
| James E. Groves | .. 4 | Thomas H. Reeves | 9 |
| Joseph Walker | 5 | *Thomas Fieldhodse | Tenor | Composed by J. E. Qroves, and Conducted by Thomas H. Reeves.

* First peal on ten bells. Rung, with the bells half-muffled, as a last tribute of respect to the late Dr. Augustus Legge, Bishop of Lichfield, and patron of the above society.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Thee Hours ard Thirty-mine Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF STEDRAN CATERS, 6171 GHANGES;
Tenor $37 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.
John Holman
...Tyeble R. Alder Gofton ... ... 6 Benjamin C. Dixon ... ... 2 Alfred F. Hillier ... 7 Joseph A. Gofton ... ... 3 Joseph E. Keen ... ... 8 John Flint ... ... ... ... 4 William H. Barber ... 9 Thomas T. Gofion ...
$\cdots \quad 4$ Composed by J Robert Richards ... ...Tenor conducted by Williarthr, and
John Holman hails from Sheffield and John Flint from Bolsover. They were elected members of the above Association before starting.

## REIGATE, SURREY

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Six-and-a-half Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GATERS, 5037 CHANGES; Tenor 19 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lbs., in $E$ flat.
Henry F. Ewins ... ...Treble| Arthor D. Barker... ... 6
Challis F. Winney ... 2 Francis E. Dawe ... ... 7
*Christopher H. Hughes 3 Charles W. R. Grimwood 8
Robert W. Green... ... 4 Thomas H. Taffender ... 9
David Wright... ... ... 5 George F. Hoad ... ...Tenor
Composed by Charles Henry Hattersley, and Conducted by Francis Edward Dawe.

* First peal on ten bells.


## GLOUCESTER.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
At thif Chorch of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES; Tenor 20 cwt ., in E
Thomas Ballwyn ... ...Treble John W. Jones ... ... 6
Jesse Gillett ... ... ... 2 Charles H. Ausin ... 7
Arthor E. Morgan... ... 3 Arthur S. Boar ... ... 8
Thomas Neqman ... ... 4 Ernest E. Davis ..... .9
Frank Morgan ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 5 \quad$ George Condick... Composed by Morris J. Morris, and Conducted by Thomas Baldwys.

## BRISTOL

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. NICHOLAS GUILD.
On Tucsday, March 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Fiftcen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CATERS, 6043 CNANCES;
Fred G. May ... ... ...Treble William White ... ... 6 Albert Stowell ... ... 2 Henry B. Burt ... ... 7 Alfred E. Reeves ... ... 3 Gilbert Wiltshire ... 8 Frederick W. Wade ... 4 Henry T. Howell... ... 9 Charles Perry... ... ... 5 Isaac Long ... ... ... Tenor Composed by George T. Daltry, and

Conducted by Fred G. May.
F. G. May's fiftieth peal as conductor on St. Nicholas' bells.

WAKEFIELD, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, March 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes, At the Cathedral,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANEES;

## Tenor 3I cwt.

*George A. Jowett ... ...Tveble $\mid \dagger$ Percy J. Johnson ... ... 6 \begin{tabular}{lllll|ll}
Mark Tate... \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& 2 \& James Moorhouse ... \&.. <br>
Albert Scott \& 7 <br>
George Hinsley \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& 3 \& 7 \& John W. Moorhouse \& $\ldots$ <br>
\hline

 

George Hinsley \&.. \&... \& 4 \& Thomas R. Hensher \& ... 9 <br>
Josepil Broadley \& $\ldots$ \&... \& 5 \& Walter Peaker ... \& ...Tenor
\end{tabular} Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by John W. Moorhouse.

* First peal of Grandsire Caters on tower bells and first attempt. $\dagger$ First peal of Grandsire Caters on tower bells away from treble.


## APPLETON, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, March 28, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANCES;

Tenor I4美 cwt.
Arthur H. White ... ...Tveble Frederick Webb ... ... 6 George Holifield, Junr. 2 F. Stedman White ${ }^{-.} 7$ Frank Webb ... ... ...
J. Howard R. Freeborn 4 Richard White ... ... 9 William Judge... ... ... 5 Fred White ... ... ...Tenor

Composed and Conducted by G. Holifield, Senr.

* First peal of Grandsire Caters. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to the late Charles Hounslow, of Oxford.


## WOLVERHAMPTON

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Saturday, March 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes, At the Collegiate Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANCES:
 Composed by Johs Carter, and Conducted by Herbert Knight. * First peal of Stedman Caters with a working bell. First peal of Stedman Caters on the bells. The above was rung after meeting short Cor Bob Maximus. This composition is No. I2 on Carter's Broadsheet.

STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, March 31, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. George, Heaviley,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB FOYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 30 cwt .

Thomas Jackson...
Wicliam Jackso. Hiram Meakis Harold Jackson.. Wildiam Lowery
..Treble Rev. Arthor T. Beeston 6
....
....
$\begin{array}{ll}\ldots & 3 \\ \ldots & 4\end{array}$
$\cdots 4$
... 5 Thomas Botitrill George D. Warburton 8 Richard Neivton ... 8
9 Composed by R Pritchard Harry Chapman .... ...Tenor This peal is the fritt of a series Richard Newton, who is shortly leaving the district for America.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## LONDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Siturday, March 22, 1913, in Three Hcurs and Eighten Minutes, At the Church of St. Sepulchre, Holbory,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Sir A. P. Heywood's Variation. Tenor 30 cwt .
Reginald Brough ... ...Tveble Charles F. White ... ${ }^{\text {... }} 5$ $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Harold Burton } & \cdots & \cdots & 2 \\ \text { Frank Bennett... } & \cdots & \cdots & 3\end{array} \quad$ James Hunt $\quad . .$.
 Conducted by Frank Bennett. IRung for the festival of Easter after meeting short for Treble Ten.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION. On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Paul,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 GHANCES;

 Tenor 174 cwt.

* First attempt for a peal. First peal on the new bells.


## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPFISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Philip Allfrey ... ... ...Treble Albert D. Stone ... ... 2 R Richard Stredwick $\ldots . .6$ Charles T. Coles ... ... 3 George Williams ... ... 7 Oliver Sippetts... ... ... 4 Keith Hart ... ... ... Tenor Composed by F. Dench, and Conducted by Keith Hart.

NEW SHOREHAM, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES; 5040 GHANGES; Groves' Variation. Tenor is cwt.



Conducted by H. Stalham.

* First peal and first attempt. $\dagger$ First peal with a bob bell. Rung as a farewell peal to Rev, Blanchard.

SHIPLEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

## On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes;

At the Parish Church,

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

Tenor I5 cwt.
Јонn Joyce ... ... ... ...Treble Job A. Ross ... ... ... 5 Ernest A. Murgatroyd... 2 Firth Hopwood ... ... 6 Joseph Broadley $. . . \quad . . .3$ William Joyce... 3 ... ... 7 James Cotterell ... ... + Thos. B. Kendall... .... Ténoy Composed by Arthler Knights, and Conducted by William Joyce.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor, and on the $z$ oth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. Chas. Pratt, of Calverley. It was also the anniversary of the re-opening of the bells after their rehanging.

## GOOLE, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORFSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Parish Chorch,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.
*George Wilburn ... ...Trebie Arthur W. Jackson *Edward Purdy... .... 2 *Edward Purdy... ... ... 3 Charles W. King ... ... 4 Mark Tate ...... Conducted by H. Ludkin.

* First peal. A. W. Jackson was proposed a member of the Association before starting. This is the first peal to originate from the monthly district practices begun ten months ago.

SCUNTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Northern Branch.)
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Thre Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. John, A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR; 5040 GHARCES;


Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by George l . Newton.
First peal in the method on the bells. Messrs. Jennion and Fyles were elected members of the Guild previous to starting.

BLAGDON, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Hollis' Five-Part. Tenor ig cwt.

* Cecil Denning... *William Fisher George Fisher... Fred Iley...
...Treble $\begin{array}{ll}\text { … } & 2 \\ \cdots & 3\end{array}$ ... 3 Conducted by
* Ernest Standen Thomas E. Francis †George Jones ... ... ...Tenor Chamberlain.
* First peal and first attempt. $\dagger$ First peal of Triples. Rung as a birthday compliment to $W$. Fisher. All the above are members of the rongresbury band except Messrs. Chamberlain and Iley, who hail from Burnham and Huntspill respectively.


## HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIUGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenot igat cwt.
George A. Wightman
...Treble Ernest E. Lanham. George Wightman ... $\begin{array}{ll}. . & 2 \\ \text {... } & 3\end{array}$
... 3
William Burgess ..
5
$\cdots{ }^{4}$
William Wightman
William T. Last
Alfred S. Wightman ...Tenor
Composed by C. Middleton, and
Conducted by G. Wightman.
DRAYTON, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Changes;
Parker's Twelve-Part Tenor 9 cwt . I qr. 20 lbs. *Miss Kathleen Holifield Treble Harry Holifield

George Holifield, Junr. J HOLIEIELD Albert E. Lock George Holifield, Sent. 6 James W. Wilkins $\quad . .7$ Conducted by J Gordon Caldwell... ...Tenor *First peal,

CARSHALTON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Sir A. P. Heywood's Transposition of Thurstans'.
Joseph A. Lambert ... ...Tveble Alfred Clayton ... ... 5 James D. Drewett ... ... 2 Alfred J. Trappitt.. .6 Alfred Boxall ... ... 3 William S. Sinthe ... ... 7 Benjamin Morris ... ... 4 Frederick Tilley ... ... Tenor Conducted by Wm. S. Smith.

BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Thurstans' Fodr-Part. Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Robert Matthews... ...Treble
Janes Hemming 2
John Bass ... ...... .... 4 Charles E. Perkins ... 7 Conducted by Jacob Willians ... ...Tenor

* First peal in the method.


## ROLVENDEN, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minulcs, At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Pitstow's Variation.
Hubert J. Blackwell ...Tyeble
Frederick G. Burden ... 2
Charles W. Player … 3
Frank Bennett ... ... ... 4
Conducted by
Tenor 16 cwt., in $F$ sharp
Robert J. Daive … ... 5 Villiam H. Lambert ... 6 Charles Tribe
Alfred Blackman ... ...Tenor

TENTERDEN, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes, At the Chorgh of St. Mildred,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Variation. Tenor 30 cwt ., in D. Robert Edwards ... ...Tyeble Frank Bennett William H. Lambert ... 2 Hobert J. Blackwell ... 6 Frederick G. Burden ... 3 Charles W. Player ... 7 Robert J. Dawe ... ... 4 | Archibald Allen ... ...Temor Conducted by Frank Bennett.

GOUDHURST, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, March 25, 1913, in Three Hours aud Five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mayy,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHAHGES;
Thurstans' Four-Part.
Tenor 27 cwt.
William H. Lambert ...Tyeble| Charles W. Player Frank Bennett... ... ... 2 *Edwin Lambert ... ... Hubert J. Blackwell ... 3 *Frederick J. Lambert ... 7 Robert J. Dave .... ... 4 Charles Tribe... ... ... Tennr Conducted by Frank Bensett.

* First peal of Stedman.

WALKDEN, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tucsday, March 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-cight Minutcs, At the Chorch of St. Paul,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Tenor 13 葉 cwt .
*Albert Wallwork ... ...Treble John Welsby ... ... ... 5

George Pincott ... ... 2 Alfred Potter ... ... 6 | Harry Chapman... | 3 | John Potter | ... | ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Joseph H. Ridyard |  |  |  |  |  | Joseph H. Ridyard, Junr. 4 Joseph Ridyard ... ...Tenor

Firs Conducted by John Potrer.
LEISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(St. Margaret's Society.)
On Tuesday, March 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF GAABRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANCES;
Leonard P. Bailey

## Tenor $20 \frac{3}{2}$ cwt., in $E$

 Frederick W. Bailey ... 2 Edgar H. Bailey ... ... 6*Gborge Wilson ... ... 3 Charles Samson ... ... 7 Charles F. Bailey ... 4 Ernest S. Bailey ... ...Tenoy Composed by C. Middleton, and Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.

- First peal in the method and first attempt.


## LONDON.

THE MDDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, March 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Joen, Waterloo Road, S.E.,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BGB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;

## Tenor 20 cwt.

 Harold Burton o... by Ed james E. Davis

Composed by Edwin Barnett, Senr., and
Conducted by James E. Davis.

* First peal in the method


## STANFORD-ON-SOAR, NOTTS

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Weinesday, March 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

- William Thorley ... ...Treble William Smitie Frank E. Pervin ... ... 2 Ernest W. Cartwright ${ }^{\text {... }} 6$ Harry Whittle ... ... 3 William Trigg ... ... 7 Willian Gosling, Senr. 4 Johy Oldham ... ...
Composed and Conducted by Harry Whittle.
* First peal away from the tenor. Mr. W. Gosling, senr., hails from Mansfield, and is 86 years of age. Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Arthur Robbins, K.N., and Miss Sarah Anne Pervin; and Mr. Thomas Marshall and Miss Clara Yates.

MERTHYR TYDVIL, GLAMORGANSHIRE. THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, March 27, 1913, in Thre Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Tydvil,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSI 3 E TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 20 cwt . William Morgan ... ...Tyeble| Albert Hunt Charles Paley ... ... ... 2 Frederick B. Stedman 6 Edward Thomas... ... ... 3 Alban E. Slatter... ... 7 Frank Chave $\ldots$... $. . .{ }^{\prime} . . .4$ P.C. John E. Coles ...Tenor Conducted by Alban E. Slatter.
Rung as a farewell peal to the ringer of the 3rd, who is leaving for Canadia, and is one of the oldest members of the band; also as a birtlday peal for the conductor.

LONDON.
THE KFNT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, March 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas, Deptford, S.E.

## A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIFLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Dr. A. B. Carpenter's One-Part. Tenot 20 cwt i qqr. 2 lbs.
Joseph Law ... ... ...Treble Thomas Hy. Hawkins ... 5 Villiam Weatherstone 2 ..... 2 William J. Jeffries...
 *Alfred G. Benningron... 4 *Fredk. H. Gooch ... ...Tenor Conducted by George H. Daynes.

* First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Thomas Ky:. Hawkins.

BILSTON STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR I'HE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Thursday, March 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Leonard,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Cox's Six-Part
Fred Colcloughi
$\begin{array}{ccc}\ldots & \ldots \text { Treble } \\ \ldots & \ldots & 2 \\ \cdots & \cdots & 3\end{array}$
Arthur Baker ..
......$\quad 4$

Conducted by J. A. Brown
This is the first peal in the method on the bells. Kung as a compliment to Mr. R. J. Rogers upon his retirement from the office of people's warden, after eleven years' faithful service. Also as a compliment to Mr. F. Coleclough, on the eve of his zrst birthday Messrs. Baker, Grinsell and Gough belong to Coseley, Wallater and Adams to Willenhall, the remainder to Bilston. J. A. Brown was elected a member of the Stafford Society previous to starting for the peal.

DISS, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, March 27, 1913, in Three Hou's and Thirteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COUPT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES Tenor $2+$ cwt., in D.

| Clement More... ... | .. Treble | George Archer | .. | ... | 5 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Arthur R. Sowden... | .. | 2 | William Ireland | .. | .. | 6 |


| - Arthur R. Sowden... | ... | 2 | William Ireland | ... | .. | 6 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Clover | ... | .. | 3 | Ellis Hayward | .. | .. | 7 |

William Rose ... ... ... 4 John Souter ... ... ...Tenor
Composed by Arthur KNights (formerly of Diss), and Conducted by John Sourer.

* First peal in the method. Messrs. Clover and Rose hail from Thornham Magna.

HERSHAM, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, March 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutcs, At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 50:2 CHANGES;

 Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.John Emery
...Trebla
William Shepherd .... ... 2
Arthur F. Shepherd ... 3 Ferris Shepherd, Sent
William A. Woodrow ... 4 Ernest W. Marsh... ... Tenor Composed by Frank Bennett, and
Conducted by William Shepherd.
This peal was arranged for the ringer of the tenor, who bails from Plymouth, and was elected a member before starting.

MITCHAM, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, March 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Palil,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Wm. H. Joiner ... ... ...Treble Johy S. Daniels .... ... j
Franc Horder
$\begin{array}{ccc}c^{2} & \ldots & \text { reble } \\ \ldots & \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & \cdots & 3 \\ \ldots & \cdots & 4\end{array}$
Composed by R Fir. S. Smith
Wm. S. Smith
Fleming, and
Conducted by W. S. Smith.
ORMESBY.
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTJ YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Warch 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Ton Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF STEBMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHAKOES; Thurstans' Four-Part.

Tenor is cwt.
*Frederick Layerick ...Treble | Thomas Lancaster... ... 5
-Cyril Pollard ... ... 2 Willfam Broadley... ... 6
John George Hall ... 3 Thoalas Metcalfe ... ... 7
William Holmes $. . . \quad . . . \quad 4$ Thomas Leybourne...... Tenor Conducted by Thomas Metcalfe.
*First peal of Stedman.

FOXEARTH, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF OXFJRO TREBLE BOS MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 7 cwt . o qr. 17 lbs.

First peal in the method by all the band, and on the bells, and rung at the first attempt.

QUEENSBURY, NEAR BRADFORD, YORKS.<br>THE YORKSHIRE, AND HALIFAX AND DISTRICT. ASSOCIATIONS.<br>On Saturday, Murch 29, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

## Tenor $14 \frac{7}{2}$ cwt.

Percy J. Johnson
..Treble Joseph Broadley ... ... 5
James Cotterell ... ... 2 Thomas B. Kendall ... 6
Joe Hardcastle... ... ... 3 | Fred Salmon ......$\quad$... 7 Jonas S. Ambler $\quad . .$. Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by James Cotrerell.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. J. W. Wright, wife of the tenor ringer. The ringers were entertained to a tea and social at their residence after the peal and a hearty vote of thanks, with congratulations, was accorded to the host and hostess for their hospitality.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHAACES;
Tenor 8 cwt. o qr. 3 lbs., in A flat.

| •Charles Church | $\ldots$ | ... Tyeble | 'George Fleming | .. | .. | 5 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Albert Fleming | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | "George | Bennett | $\ldots$ | .. | 6 |
| Rev. Wm. C. Pearson | ... | 3 | "George | Farnish | $\ldots$ | .. | 7 |  |


Composed by Dr. F. E. W. Meadows, and Conducted by Thomas W. Last.

- First peal in this method.

GRAVESEND, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. George,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 19告 cwt.
Edward A. G. Allen

- Reginald Brovgh

| ...Treble | F |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots .$. | 2 | F |
| $\cdots$ | 3 | E |
| $\cdots$ | 4 |  | $\begin{array}{lccc}\text { Frank Bennett } & \ldots & \cdots & 5 \\ \text { Frank I. Hairs } & \cdots & \cdots & 6 \\ \text { Edwin Barnett, Senr. } & \cdots & 7 \\ \text { William J. Jeffries } & \cdots & \text { Tenor }\end{array}$ John H. Cheeseman … 3 Isaac Emery Composed by $\mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{N}} \mathrm{J}$

Conducted by J. Pirstow, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.

* First peal in the method.


## HEENE, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, March 29, 1913, in Tz'o Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Parish Church of St. Botolph,
A PEAL OF STEDPAH TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; 'Thurstans' Four-Part.

Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
William Hillman ... ...Tpeble Harry Evans Harim elans ... ... ... 2 Arthur Arnell... ... ... 3 Alfred W. Groves ... $\cdots$... 4
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Horace Tulett } & . . & . . & 5 \\ \text { Bert Challen } . . . & . . & \ldots & 6\end{array}$
Edmund H. Lindup...
John Jervis $\quad . . \quad . . . \quad .$. Tenor
E. H. Lindop.
B. Challen hails from Shoreham.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(The Cheshunt Society.)
On Saturday, March 29, 1213, in Three Hours and Five Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Taylor's Six-Part. Tenor i5 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lbs.
David Tucker ... ... ...Tpeble | Henry Cornwell ... ... 5;
*George Andrews ... ... 2 | Henry G. Rowe ...
 Conducted by Henry George Rowe.

* First peal with a bob bell. First peal by a local band, and rung; at the first attempt. This is the conductor's 120 thi peal.


## HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(East Berks and South Bucks Branch.)
On Saturday, March 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes. At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES ;
Tenor iat cwt., in G .
 Composed by Henry Johnson, and Conducted by George F. Williams.

* First peal in the method.


## WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, March 30, 1973, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES:

 Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by William C. Rumsey.

## CAVERSHAM.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Reading Branch.)
On Monday, March 31, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJGA, 5058 CHANGES;
Henry Simmonds ... ...Treble | Joseph Hands ... ... ... 5
*William J. Paice ..... $.2^{2}$ Rev. Cyril Jenkyn ${ }^{\text {.... }}$... 6
Hubert Hatto ... ... 3 Henry Smith ... ... ... 7
Charles Stone ... ... 4 Ernest W. Menday ...Teros
Composed by C. Middleion, and
Conducted by Ernest W. Mevday.

* First peal of Cambridge.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

## PETTISTREE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, March 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes.
At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;
Tenor to cwt.
William Smith ... ... ...Treble $\mid$ George Finch ... ... ... 4
Lester Gray ... ... ... 2 Robert Miles ... ... ... 5
Henry Puttock... ... ... 3. William Reeve ... ... Tenof
Conducted by Henry Puttock.

## HEATHFIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Theve Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CNANGE8;

Being seven 720 's each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt. William J. Barrow ...Treble *George Dann... * John Brett ... ......$\quad 2$ Oliver Collins ... ... 5 Charles Brett ... ... 3 Arthur R. Miles ... ...Tenor Conducted by Arthur R. Miles.

* First peal of Minor and first attempt. Rung on the eve of the marriage of Miss Ethel Collins (eldest daughter of Mr . and Mrs. Oliver Collins), and Mr. George Murrry (second son of Mr. and Mrs. John Murray), of Reading.

GREAT ADDINGTON, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF MIMOR, 5040 CHANEES;

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

Conducted by George Lines.
Rung as a farewell to the Rev. J. T. Watson.
MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Grandsire Minor, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

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\text { Tenor } 14 \frac{1}{2} \text { cwt. }
$$

*George C. Collins ...Tyeble Jack Burles ... ... ... 4


Conducted by Frederick M. Mitcheil.

* First peal in seven methods. First peal in seven methods on the bells by an entirely local company. Rung as a birthday compliment to the Rector of Milton (the Rev. G. W. Mennje, M.A.).

DESBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Giles,

## A PEAL OF WINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being seven different 720's, viz.:-One of Oxford Treble Bob and two each of Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's Bob and Plain Bob. | J. Edivard Chapman... ...Treble | George A. Blaxley | ... 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frederick Kitborn |  |  | Frederick Kilborn ... ... 2 Samuel Burditt ......

 Conducted by E. M. Atkins.
The ringers of the 2 nd and 5 th are members of the local company and this is their first peal in more than one method, and their first attempt for a 720 in two of the methods. The thanks of the band are due to Mr. S. Burditt who came forward on meeting short for seven methods.

## CRANFORD, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GNANGES;

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


 Conducted by George Lines.

## ELSTREE, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Satiirday, March 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's each called differently.
Arthur Titmuss... ... ...Treble | Charles Jeffs... ... ... 4
James Payne, Junr. ... ... 2 Richard Chalkley... ... 5 John Malyan ... ... ... 3 Frederick Jeffs ... ...Tenor Conducted by John Malyan.
First peal in the method by all except the ringer of the tenor.
SPROUGHTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, March 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GNANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court and Plain Bob, two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob,

Tenor $10 \frac{3}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
H. Соок
$\begin{array}{ccccc}\ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots \text { Treble } \\ \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 3\end{array}$
T. Rolfe ... ... ... $\cdot$.. 4
G. Mee
H. MEE

## FOUR PEALS IN A DAY.

## UPCHURCH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CNANGES;
Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob, Kent Treble Bob, College Single and

## Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lbs.
William J. Wood ... ...Tveble William T. Hyland ... 4
Cecil Bishop ... ... ... 2 William Nye ... ... ... 5
 Conducted by W. H. B. Wilkins.
This peal was started at 6.50 am .

## NEWINGTON-NEXT-SITTINGBOURNE, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANEES;
Being 720 each of Oxford Treble Bob, College Single, Double Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor I2 cwt.
William J. Wood ... ...Treble $\mid$ William Nye ......

 Conducted by W. H. B. Wilkins.
This peal was started at $10.20 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.

BOBBING, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Or Monday, March 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Church of Si. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being 720 each of College Single, Kient Treble Bob, Double Oxford,
Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
William J. Wood ... ...Treble James Nye... .... ... ... 4 William T. Hyland..... $.2^{2}$ William H. B. Wilkins 5 William Nye ... $. . . \quad \cdots \quad . . . \quad 3$ Cecil Bishop ... ... ...Tenoy Conducted by W. H. B. Wilkins.
This peal was started at 2.45 p.m.

## TUNSTALL, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;
Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and

Plain Bob. Tenor $9 \frac{2}{2}$ cwt.

Conducted by W. H. B. Wilkins.
This peal was started at 6.50 p.m. W. J. Wood hails from Queensborough, W. H. B. Wilkins from Sheerness, W. and J. Nye from Rodmersham, W. T. Hyland and C. Bishop from Upchurch. The ringers wish to tender their thanks to the several clergy for granting the use of the bells.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK. <br> THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. JAMES SOCIETY. <br> On Sunday, March 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-four Minutes, At the Residence of Mr. R. Moore, <br> A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Walter Radley ... ... ${ }^{\text {I-2 }}$ Arthur E. Moore... ... 5-6 Frederick G. Dewell $3-4 |$|  | $3-4$ | Charles Woodcock | $\cdots$ | $7-8$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Composed by G. Cross, and Conducted by Arthur E. Moore.

Umpire: Harry Moore.

## BURY ST. EDMUNDS

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Weduesiay, Murch 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-seven Minates, In the Norman Tower,

## A PEAL DF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

A. Ely A. ELY W.

| $\ldots . .$. | $3-4$ | *J. Hunt |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Composed by A. T. King, and |  |  |

Conducted by H. Turner.
Umpire: W. Goodship.

* First peal. Rung as a farewell compliment to W. Kernp who is eaving for Lexden, Colchester.


## ROTHERHAM

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minktes, In the Ringing Chamber of St. Stephen's Church,
a peal of crahdsire triples, 5040 changes;
Parker's Twelve-Part.
Miss Winifred M. Hague I-2 | Arthur Hague Clement Glemi
$3-4$
by
bl Wilfred Lloyd 5-6 Conducted by Clement Glenn. Umpires: L. Brightman and C. Ryder.
First peal and first attempt by Miss Hague, who is the first lady to ring a peal for the Association, and who was heartily congratulated on the way she manipulated her bells tbroughout.

The time of the peal at Leatherhead on March 15th was 3 hours Io minutes, not 3 hours i8 minutes as stated.

SWANMOIRE-Winchester Guild. - At St. Barnabas Church, on Waster Day, for early seivice, 720 Oxford Single Bob Minor: G. Laishley 1, F. Hoar 2, W. Cooper 3, E. Jacobs 4, H. Ainsley 5, W. Linter (conductor) 6. For afternoon service, 720 Bob Minor: W. Harris (first 720) 1, E. Jacobs 2, A. Millard 3, G. Laishley 4, H. Ainsley 5, W. Linter (conductor) 6. Also 720 Canterbury Pleasure Minor: W. Linter, junr., 1, F. Hoar 2, G. Laishley 3, A. Millard 4, H. Ainsley 5, W. Linter (conductor) 6 . For evening service, 720 College Single Minor: II. Ainsley 1, E. Jacobs 2, W. Cooper 3, G. Laishley 4, A. Millard 5, W. Linter (conductor) 6 .

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL. <br> A REMINDER TU MEMBERS AND ASSOCLATIONS. <br> To the Editor.

Sir,-May I remind all whom it may concern that timo is on the wing, and that when these words appear in print there will be left buti one bricf week before notices of motion, reports of committees, and. other matter m connection with the forthooming meeting of the Council should bo in my hands, the last clay for the receipt of these being: Saturday, April 12th, as duly notified in the preliminary notice published in these columns in the first two or three weeks of the year?
Of 40 afiliated Associations, at the moment of writing only 21 have paid affiliation fees. I earnestly request hon. Eecretaries of the remaining ones to forward the desired postal orders as soon as they can possibly do so.

CHarles D. P. Davies,
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.
Frethernc. Stonehouss, Gloucestershire.

## A SPILL ON THE ROAD.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS SECRETARY IN A MOTOR SMASH
While returning from London, on Thesday of last week, Mr. Fred Wifford, the popular hon. secretary of the Central Northants Association, and Mrs. Wilford, met with a serions accident. Mr. Wilford was driving his motor cycle, and Mrs. Wilford occupied the side car. When near Dunstable, a motor-car coming out a side road, collided with them. The cycle and side car were smashed, and Mrs. Wilford was thrown out heavily. She sustained slight concussion and shock, and received a cut over nne eye. Mr. Wilford suffered badly skinned knees ar:d bruises, as well as shicck. Both were detained at Dunstable until lact Friday, when they were removed to their home, at 149, Ashburnhatm Road, Northampton. Mr. Wilford hopes soon to be about again, but Mrs. Wilford is still very ill. Ringers throughout the country will svmpathiss with them in their accident, and wish them both a speedy recovery.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Monday the Surrey Association held a quarterly meeting at Lpsom. The 40 members, who took advantage of using the two eight-bell rings of St. Martin and Christ Church, which the Vicars and. churchwardens kindly placed at their disposal, were well rewarded, the "'go" of the latter, a light ring, being much appreciated, though both towers have been the scene of many peals scored to the credit of the Association.
Possibly a dread of Epsom "Salts" (or a wholesome fear of "the Turf ?'י') rendered the meeting an unusually small one; but those who were absent, missed much, for the visitors had, what to this Association is a rarity, the privilege of being addressed by a "ringing Parson." the Rev. W. D. Bainbzidge-Bell; and his quiet carnest words of encouragement in the ringers' office as "preachers," with his reasoned adjuration to practice what they preached, had the "ring" about it of sincerity and sanctified common sense, and came with weight from one who in his earlicr ycars had done yeoman service in the cause at Mitcheldever.
The reverend gentleman subsequently conducted the business meeting, which followed the tea, and his courteous yet firm and impartial chairmanship were warmly appreciated, as was evidenced by the plaudits. which accompanied the vote of thanks.
The cash account showing a decided increase to the balance in hand, owing largely to economy in the matter of teas, was read and adopted, together with the committee's report on the year 1912, in which the following points were noted: The creation of the office of Master and the popular installation therein of Dr. A. B. Carpenter. The formation of the Southern District with its accertion of 53 members. The election of 27 other new members, making the total membership 306, as against 333 in 1911. The ringing of 36 peals as against 20 in 1911, with congratulations to Messrs. J. A. Lambert and J. Hoyle on their 100 peals each for the Association. The institution of monthly combined practices. The labour expended br Mr. Beams me the unique and beautifully kept record of the Association peals. The urging of a fuller attendance at the corporate services before the quarterly meetings -and a plea for a good understanding betweci cach incumbent and his ringers-as well as for goodl feeling and fellowship amongst the ringers. Votes of thanks were unanimously carried to the Vicars, churchwardens, and steeple keepers, of the two churches, and to the organist of St. Martin's, for their resnective good offices bestowed on behalf of the Association in this branch of the work of "Christ's church militant here in earth."

## A RINGER'S WEDDING.

An interesting wedding took place on Easter Monday at the quaint little willage Church of Blackrod (Lancs); between Mr. John B. Green haigh, a member of the Westhoughton Parisn Church band of ringers, and Miss Alice Hodkinson, of Blackrod, daughter of an old Blackrod ringer, and "mine host" of Ye Old Green Barn Inn. Here to celebrate the auspicious event an excellent repast was provided, followed by a musical evening. Ringing could not be indulged in to any extent, as the "go" of the bells is very far from pleasing, but a few touches of Grandsire and "firing" did honour to the occasion by the local and Westhoughton bands, including Messrs. H. Gerrard, G. Wise, A. Jones, W. Marsh, P. Crook (Bolton), J. Edwards, ete.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## YEAR'S SUCCESSFUL PROGRESS.

The annual general meeting of the Ely Diocesan Association was held at Bury St. Edmunds, on Easter Monday when a good number of members and friends attended from Cambridge, Horringer, Lavenham, Rougham, Great Barton, Ely, Mildenhall, Long Stanton, Thetford, Newmarket, Henley, Ipswich, Fulbourn, Stowmarket, London, Royston, Ickleton, and the local ringers. Ringing started soon after 9 o'clock at Fornham St. Martin, where 720 of Kent was brought round. The peal of eight at St. Mary's, Bury St. Edmunds, were set going to Grandsire and Bob Major for an hour, after which ringing was transferred to the Norman Tower, till time for service, which was held in St. James' Church. The service was conducted by Rev. F. Morton (curate of St. James'), and the Rev. H. B. Woolley gave a short and interesting address. His text was taken from Psalm cl. v. 5, "Praise Him upon the well-tuned cymbals, Praise Him upon the loud cymbals." preacher remarked that the text formed a very appropriate invitation to the Association, eqpecially at the season of Easter. They had met to exercise an art. The bells which they rang were the products of a very high form of art, for the bell was a very complicated musical instrument. And as with the casting of the bell so with the ringing. Ringing was a progressive art. They had only to compare the ringing papers of today with those of years ago to see that the number of peals had enormously increased, higher methods were more generally tackled in their execution. All this was as it should be. It was not only natural, but it was right that ringers should wish to perfect themselves in their art as much as possible, and that to this end they should practice their art as much as possible. Moreover their art was an art of the church. It was inseparably connected with the church, and could not exist apart from it. Ringers as well as choristers were Churchmen and churchworkers, and they shared with them the privileges and the responsibilities of the position.

## PUBLIC'S LACK OF SYMPATHY

Did it not appsar to them sometimes, however, that the public at large were sometimes rather lacking in sympathy with what he might call the higher phases of the art; that they were no more pleased when changes were rung than they would be at rounds or call changes, or anyhow, that they were no more appreciative of a touch or peal of London or Bristol that of Plain Bob or Grandsire. But would not this help them? They had a critic whom it was more worth their while to please than any others. One who had made bells and bell ringing a possibility-Who must have had these things in His mind when he created all things-and One, too, who was always present-present in every tower, at every practice, at the Sunday ringing, whenever a peal was started or brought round, Who noted all the care and patience and skill that was employed-an expert and a critic indeed. Surely it was an incentive to them to persevere with their art when they considered what satisfaction their efforts might give to Him, what honour their work, if done in the right spirit, might bring to God. "Laus Deo," this surely ought to be written large over all the work that was done in the belfiy. And let them never forget what was the first object of the church bell, to summon to the worship of God. And those bells that they rang called them, as well as others, to that worship. The Master of the Oxford Guild, in his report for the year 1912, had enumerated "some of our imperfections," which, though primarily intended for the members of that Guild, would apply equally to ringers in general. He said "there is in some quarters still too much justification for the reproach that we neglect the duty of worship." If that be so, let them see to it that as far as they themselves were concerned the reproach was entirely taken away. There was nothing so likely to alienate the sympathy of their fellow churohmen than for this to be said. On the other hand there was nothing which would commend their cause and their art to those who did not understand or practice it than the fact that they had a real love of their church, and were consistent in their duties as churohmen.

## THE BUSINESS MEETING

The annual dinner and business meeting took place afterwards at the Suffoll Hotel, where a company, numbering 67, sat down to an excellent repast. The Rev. A. H. F. Boughey presided, and those present included the Rev. H. B. Woolley, the Rev. W. C. Pearson, and Measrs. T. R. Dennis (general secretary), P. Webb (district secretary), J. Taylor, E. Webb, A. Symonds, FI. A. Turner, F. C. Turner. S. H. Symonds, W. B. Kempton, W. Doran, F. Fitziohn, and others. Letters regretting inability to be present were read from the President (the Lord Bishop of Ely), Ven. Archdeacon Hodges, Rev. R. F. Wilson (Vicar of St. James'), and the Rev. T. Brocas Waters (Vicar of St. Mary's.).
It was unanimously decided to hold the next annual meeting at Cambridge on Easter Monday

## THE REPORT.

The annual report and balance sheet were then read and adopted The report mentioned that during the past year the Isle of Ely Archdeaconry branch had made steady progress, and it was interesting and pleasing to note that Sutton and Wilburton had rejoined, and that they had a promise of Haddesham coming in this year. There were still many towers unaffiliated, such as March, Wisbech, Soham, etc., which it was hoped might be induced to join this year. The

Archdeacomry of Ely branch remained in much the same condition, and did not visibly expand. It was regretted that Over and Whittlesford had dropped out, but it was hoped that this was only temporarily. They welcomed the old secretary, the Rev. H. B. Woolley, back to Association life, and trusted his stay would be long and successful. It was impossible to speak too highly of his excellent work at Long Stanton, where as the result of his efforts the church now possessed a splendid peal of eight bells. They condoled with him in the misfortune of the cracking of the tenor, and hoped he would soon be provided with a new bell. In the Sudbury Archdeaoonry branch progress had been very marked. The consummate skill which had been shown by the St. James Society, Bury St. Edmunds, and the Lavenham company, in ringing both handbell and tower bell peals, had greatly improved the position of the Association. They regretted that the late district secretary had removed from the diocese, and they tendered their heartiest thanks to him for his past services. The Rev. R. L. Gardner had succeeded him, and there was every reason to expect the district to thrive in his capable hands. The Hunts Archdeaconry branch had suffered a severe loss by the death of the Rev. J. M. Clarkson, district secretary and representative of the Association on the Central Councll. They desired to record their keen apprecation of his long and faithful service to the Association. The Archdeaconry, although small, contained come energetic members, and they commended Mr. C. D. Coleman and his band oin their plucky efforts to keep ringing alive in Hunts. The scarcity of tower bell practice was a great handicap to their progress, and if the fine peal of eight at St. Neots were rehung they would render a still better account of themselves. The report also mentioned that the financial position of the Association was very satisfactory, the balance in hand being $£ 16 \mathrm{gs}$. 6d., compared with $£ 124 \mathrm{~s}$. Id. last year. The hon. members contributed generously to the support of the Association, but there was a great lack of ringing members, the number of whom might well be doubled in the diocese. Fifty-eight peals were rung during 1912, of these 26 were on handbells, and 32 on tower bells. This splendid record was indeed a welcome change after the small number that were contributed in 1911, and was only three short of the record of 61 rung in 1903. In conclusion, the generous support and unselfish effort of every ringer in the diocese to do something to help the Association to maintain and increase its efficiency and usefulness was asked.

## TREASURER'S RETIREMENT.

The following officers were then elected: General secretary, T. R. Dennis; treasurer, F. C. Turner; district secretaries, Sudbury district, the Rev. R. L. Gardner; Archdeaconry of Ely, P. Weblr; Isle of Ely, F. Rowlinson; Hunts, the Rev. H. B. Woolley; delegate to the Central Council for two years, T. R. Dennis; auditor, W. B. Kempton.-Before the election of the treasurer took place, the Chairman read a letter from the Rev. K. H. Smith, amouncing his intention to resign the treasurership owing to ill-health.-Regret was generally expressed at his retirement after so many years of activity in Association work.-The Chairman moved that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded him for his past services, which was carried with enthusiasm.
Ar alteration of Rule 9 was proposed by Mr. P. Webb, that three district meetings be held annually in each Archdeaconry instead of one as at present.-An amendment was proposed by Mr. H. A. Turner that the number be two, and on the amendment being put to the vote, it was carried by a large majority.
New members from Cavendish, Southwold, Halesworth, Slough, Lavenham, Monks Eleigh, Rougham, Little and Great Waldingfield, Hadleigh, Bury St. Edmunds, and Fulhourn. numbering 17, were elect-ed.-A vote of thanks to the Vicars of St. James' and St. Mary's, Bury St. Edmunds, Rougham, Fornham St. Martin, and Great Barton, was carried unanimously.
At the conclusion of the meeting, Mr. W. B. Kempton made a collection for the Long Stanton tenor, and the sum of 13 s . 1d. was handed over to the Rev. H. B. Woolley, who thanked the company for their generosity.
Ringing was carried on during the afternoon at the Norman tower, and St. Mary's. Touches of Grandsire Gaters and Kent Royal were rung at the former, and Grandsire, Bob Major, Kent, Double Norwich, and Stedman at St. Mary's.

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the Leeds and District Society was held at Leeds on Easter Monday. A peal of Stedman Caters was attempted in the morning, but, unfortunately, was lost half-way, but a peal of $\mathrm{Ox}-$ ford Treble Bob was rung at Shipley.-The business meeting was held at the Royal Oak Hotel, the President being in the chair, supported by members from Bolton, Holbeck, Hunslet, Headingley, Shipley, Mirfield, Pudsey, and Queensbury and the local company. After the election of officers, when Mr. F. Hopwood was appointed to succeed Mr. F. R. Cundale in the office of secretary, the balance sheet was read and passed.

A vote of thanks to the retiring officers was proposed by Mr. F. Woodhead, and seconded by Mr. W. Joyce.-The President replied, and put forward a new scheme for meetings for the coming year.- A vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens, and the local company, was moved by Mr. J. Broadlev. seconded by Mr. H. Lindsay, and carried, Mr. F. Woodhead responding.

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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

MISS LILIAN WILLSON, OF LEICESTER.

Among the most talented, as well as one of the best known, of the lady ringers, who are now coming so prominently to the front in the Art, is Miss Lilian A. Willson, the eldest daughter of Mr. William Willson, of Leicester. Miss Willson was born on March 27 th, 1893 , and, therefore, reached her 2oth year a week ago yesterday. Coming of a ringing family, and having no brothers, before she entered her 'teens she frequently helped her father with the chiming apparatus at the church of St. John the Divine. At fourteen she was ringing the treble to Triples, and attempted her first peal-Major-on Boxing Day, 1908.


Miss Lifian A. Vilison.
Purhaps her father's promise of a cycle if she was successful was an incentive; anyway, the peal was rung at the first attempt, and she was ready for the cycle sooner than " W. W." anticipated!
During the next year Miss Willson rang four peals, and was an "inside man." Then followed Treble Bob Major, Stedman Triples (called by Mr. Ernest Pye) and Double Norwich. Miss Willson has not many opportunities for peal ringing, her time being much occupied in the teaching of music. She holds the diploma of A.V.C.M. and the silver medal for highest possible points in pianoforte cxamination. In addition to ringing, she renders service by teaching in the Sunday School.
Up to date she has rung 22 peals, one of which was with the ladies' band. They comprise Grandsire Triples, seven

Minor methods, Stedman, Bob Major, Double Norwich, and one (treble) to Superlative. One of the peals of Kent Treble Bob Major was conducted by her, but she does not aspire to bob calling. Miss Willson is one of the first members of the Ladies' Guild, and it has been her experience from the commencement of her career in the belfry to meet with the utmost courtesy from her brother ringers.

## ODD CHANGES.

At last four peals have been rung in a day by the same band, and the honour falls to the six-bell men of the Kent Association. They accomplished this performance on Easter Monday, when four separate 5040's were rung, each in seven Minor methods. This is how they were rung :-

Start. Finish.
Upchurch
Newington
$6.50 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.
Bobbing
Tunstall
2.45 pm
$6.50 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
9.28 a.m.
$12.5^{6}$ p.m.
$5.25 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
$9.25 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

## Time.

2 hrs. 38 mins.
2 hrs .36 mins.
2 hrs. 40 mins.
2 hrs. 35 mins.
Total time ... ro hrs. 29 mins.
Between the time of the first start and the finish of the last peal r 4 hrs. 35 mins. elapsed, out of which to hrs. 29 mins. were actually occupied in change ringing. This is the first time four peals have been rung by the same band in one day, but within the last year or so two other attempts have been made on eight bells. On each of these occasions two peals were rung.

This performance recalls an cpisode in Sussex about i4 years ago, when four ringers took part in five 5000 's, which were completed in less than 31 hours.

In aid of the "Bells Fund" for Shoreditch bells a lecture on church bells will be given next Saturday week at the Parish Room, Shoreditch, by Mr. H. J. Sudell, Master of St. Matthew's, Clapton, band. During an interral a selection on handbells will be given by the Spitalfields Foundry band. The lecture will commence at $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and the charges for admission are 1s., 6d. and 3 d .

There is a remarkable performance in our peal columns to-day, for we record a peal of Grandsire Triples in which Mr. Gosling, senr., of Mansfield, took part, at the great age of 86 , and we have it on good authority that he is " full of peal ringing yet." Apparently there is absolutely no age limit to peal ringing. At any rate Mr. Gosling is as keen on it as any youngster.

On Tuesday week he was in an attempt for a peal of Stedman at Loughborough, which failed past half way through no fault of his. On the Wednesday he scored the peal of Grandsire, when he rang his bell without a fault, and on the next day he attempted a peal of Stedman Triples which was lost after ringing a little over an hour. What an example of enthusiasm !

Two more ladies have scored their first peal. Miss Kathleen Holifield, of Appleton, rang the treble to a peal of Grandsire Triples on Easter Monday. At Rotherham Miss Hague has rung her first peal by taking $\mathrm{r}-2$ in Grandsire Triples on handbells. The ranks of the lady peal ringers are steadily growing.

## LONG STANTON'S MISFORTUNE.

## FUND COMPLETED FOR RECASTING THE TENOR

The following further amounts are acknowledged with thanks: W. P'. 5s., A. N. J. W. 2s. 6d., four Bristol ringers, (H. J. W., J. G., W. A. C. and W. K. ıs. each), 45.; E. B. J., $£ 4$ I4s. Total received $£ 35 \mathrm{r} 6 \mathrm{~s}$. Amount required $£ 35$.

The Vicar and churchwardens have much pleasure in announcing the completion of the fund for recasting the tenor, and take this opportunity of again thanking all those ringers and friends who have so kindly and generously helped them in their misfortune. The bell has been sent off to the foundry, and is expected back towards the end of the month. It will be noticed that the amount received slightly exceeds the sum appealed for ; the sum in excess will be devoted to defraying the cost of the inscription and other incidental expenses.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly general meeting of this Association was held at Salle on Easter Monday. The newly restored and augmented ring of eight at the Parish Church, and the ring of six at Whitwoll, were at the disposal of members throughout the day, and were largely used.
The Rector of Salle (the Rer. H. C. O. Lanchester) presided at the dinner and meeting, supported by the Rev. W. A. Partridge, Mr. T P. Humphrey (churchwarden of Salle), Mr. A. Coleman, Messrs. G. Moy and W. J. Howson (district secretaries), C. E. Borrett (secretary), and representatives from many towers in the neighbourhood-a total company of fifty-five.
The Chairman gave a very cordial welcome to the visitors to his magnificent church and bells, and also invited the whole company to the Rectory to tea.-The Secretary voiced the thanks of the members for the kind hospitality and assisfance shown to the Association by the Rector and people of Salle, and the business proceedings ended with the election of new members.-The meeting was of a most en. joyable character, and should prove of benefit to the new company lately formed in the parish:

## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY.

## A RECORD YEAR FOR PELAS.

The annual meeting for the Archdeaconry of Stafford was held at Walsall, on Easter Monday. The number of members in attendance was comparatively small; otherwise the meeting was successful. The bells at St. Matthew's, Walsall, and St. Michael's, Rushall, were made good use of during the day
Tea was provided in the Masonic Hall, followed by the general meeting, Mr. S. Reeves being voted to the chair.-The report and balance sheet were presented. The record number of 55 peals had been rung, and the accounts showed a balance in hand of £Z2.-The officers were re-elected, and the Rev. J. A. Price, Vicar of Coseley, was added as one of the committee. Three honorary and 19 performing members were enrolled.-After some discussion, it was decided that the annual meeting be held in June in future, to prevent clashing with meetings of neighbouring associations.-The quarterly meetings are to be held at Stafford, Penn, Handsworth, and Wednesbury. Gycle runs are being arranged for "missionary" work to towers otherwise difficult to get to: Norton Canes being the place fixed for April.-The customary votes of thanks brought the meeting to a close.

## PETERBOROUGH ASSOCIATION

The quarterly meeting of the Peterborough and District Association was held at Huntingdon on Easter Monday, when a goodly number of members attended to take advantage of the splendid welcome offered by the incumbent, the Rev. Gardner. The following towers were represented: Peterboro' (St. John's), Ramsey, Whittlesea, Chatteris, St. Neots, Eynesbury, Raunds, and the local company. A short service was held in St. Mary's Church at 5.0 p.m., conducted by the Rev. Gardner, and an excellent address was given by the Venerable Archdeacon Vesey, and greatly appreciated.

After service, the business meeting took place in the Archdeaconry Library, the chair being taken by the Rector. Whittlesea was the place chosen for the meeting on Whit-Monday.- A vote of thanks was then accorded the Rector for the use of St. Mary's and All Saints' bells.

The bells were kept going during the afternoon and evening, the methods rung being Plain Bob Minor, Kent Treble Bob Minor, Kent Treble Bob Major, Plain Bob Major, and Grandsire Triples.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

## THE PROPOSED GIFT TO GHELMSFORD CHURCH.

A very successful meeting of the North Eastern distnict was held at Colchester on Easter Monday, members attending from about 17 towers. Tea, followed by the meeting, was held in the Parish Room adjoining St. Peter's, upwards of 50 being present-The Bishop of Colchester presided, and was supported by the Rev. C. Triffit-Ward (Vicar), the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre (hon. secretary of the Association), and Mr. C. H. Howard (Master).-Ten ringıng members were elocted,-Harwich and Coggeshall were suggested as being suitable places for the next meeting, and the majority favoured the latter.

The Master next explained the position of the Association with regard to the proposal to give a new treble bell for the peal of 12 at Chelmsford. The original suggestion was that it should be provided by voluntary subscriptions, but others favoured giving the bell from the funds of the Association. After some discussion, the following resolution was carried unanimously: "That this meeting strongly disapproves of providing a new treble bell for Chelmsford out of the funds of the Association, but recommends the Association to give the bell and raise the amount required by voluntary subscriptions.'

The meeting terminated with votes of thanks to the Bishop of Colchester for presiding, and to the Vicars of St. Peter's and All Saints' for use of the bells.-Touches in the following methods were rung during the day: Grandsire, Stedman, Bob Major, Kent, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Superlative, and Cambridge Surprise.

## NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Norih Wales Association was held at Bangor, on Easter Monday, and was well attended. A short service was beld in St. David's Church, the sermon being preached by the Dean of Bangor.
The business meehng was held in St. David's Schoolroom, and the following towers were represented: Bangor, Portmadoc, Rhyl, Wrexham, Gresford, Hawarden, Buckley, Ruthin, Dolgelly, and Chester
A resolution proposed by the Dean of Bangor, and ably seconded by Mr. W. H. Evans, Portmadoc, against the proposals of the Government to disestablish the Welsh Church, was manimously carried. Copies of the resolution are to be forwarded to the twelve Welsh M.P.'s.

The annual report of the hon. secretary showed that seven peals had been rung during the year.- The report and balance sheet were adopted. Two new members were elected, and all the officers were re-elected unavimously

Touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich Court Bob were rung during the day, the successful proceedings closing with tea kindly provided by the genial President, the Rev. T. Lewis Jones, Vicar of St. David's. Bangor.-A hearty vote of thanks, proposed by Mr. Evans (Portmadoc), seconded by Mr. E. Rowlands (Wrexham), was carried with loud cheers.

The next halfi-yearly meeting will be held at Portmadoc, in September, and the annual meeting at Gresford next Easter.

HULL.-On March 26th, at All Saints: Church, 1470 of Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr .: G. Hedges 1, H. Jenkins 2, D. Meadley (longest length as conductor) 3, T. Harrison (longest length with a bob bell) 4, G. W. Stickney 5, B. Cook 6, T. Whitficld 7, J. B. Whitfield 8. Also 630, with J. W. Stickney (oonductor) 2.

BRIDSTOW, HERETORDSIIIRE.-On March 9th, for evening eervice, 720 Kent Treble Bob: J. Bevan 1, A. Gwynne 2, J. Blake 3, J. Gwynne 4, E. Summers 5, W. Poston (conductor) 6.-On Good Friday (mulfled), 720 Oxford Bob. For early service, on Easter Day, 720 Oxford Bob. For 11 a.m. service, 720 Canterbury: R. Summers 1, A. Gwyune 2, J. Blake 3, F. Summers 4, J. Gwynne (conductor) 5, W. Poston 6.-On March 27th, 780 Kent Treble Bob.
UPPER CLAPTON, MIDDLESEX.-On March 19th, at St. Matthew's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 77 mins.: R. E. Pellatt 1, H. J. Sudell 2, H. J. Cantor 3, C. Gray 4, S. H. R. Cooper 5, W. J. Kemp (conductor) 6, H. J. Rumens 7, L. G. Hicks 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a last mark of respect to the late Dr. Thomas Gurney, whose funeral took place that day, and who was an old ringer, and for many years a sidesman at this church.
READING, BERKS.-Oxford Guild.-On Good Friday, at St. Giles' Church, 840 Stedman Triples: L. Osborne 1, N'. Cox 2, R. Bishop 3, Miss F. Goodship 4, A. Bailey 5, I. Osborne 6, A. W. Osborne (conductor) 7, A. Durman 8. Also 168 and 144 in same method: E. Pulker, G. Goudsinip, C. Higge, A. Durman, A. Bailey and F. Griffin, taking part. Rung for service in the evening with the bells half-muffled. HULL--On Good Frilay, at Holy Trinity Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, with the bel's hali-muffled, for morning service, in 52 mins.: F. Dale 1, G. Dowling 3, C. Jackson (conductor) 4, W. Brown 5, J. Highfield 6, T. Morton 7, G. T. Miller 8, J. Chamberlain 9, F. Merrison 10.-On Easter Day, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins. : F. Dale 1, H. Jenkins 2, C. Jackson (conductor) 3, G. M. Kilby (Willesden) 4, D. Meadler 5, E. Cutsforth 6, G. T. Miller 7. J. Chamberlain 8. For evening service, 521 Grandsire Caters: F. Dale 1, C. Jackson 2, G. Dowling 3, M. Hedges 4, F. Merrison 5, J. Highficid 6, T. Morton 7, G. T. Miller 8, W. Brown 9, J. Chamberlain 10.

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## THE MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.

## A RECORD YEAR.

## NEW P̈RESIDENT ELECTED

The vitality or the Middlesex Association was fully demonstrated on Saturday, when the anmual meating was held. Altnodgh the gathering took place at Hillingdon, which, while it has excellent ringing facilities, being pessessed of a peal of ten and another of eight, is very much off the beaten track, and by no means easy of access for the majority of the members, there was an attendance of nearly 100 . Ringers were present from Barnet, Harrow Weald, Southgate, Stanmore, Upper Clapton, Bushey, Wialthamstow, Romford, Hornscy, Acton, Ealing, Heston, Hillingdon, Hounslow, Isleworth, Norwood, Uxbridge, Willesden, ete. There was ringing during the afternoon and evening at both the churches, and service was held at St. John's, the preacher being the Vicar, the Rev. C. M. Harvey.
The Vicar first spoke of God's individual knowledge of men, recognising each one. We might not and probably did not think much of our own individuality, he said, yet it gave much value to our lives. We liked to be among those whom we knew and who know us. T'nere was no loneliness like that which was felt among a crowd of strangers when we knew no one and no one knew us. And the opposite was quite as true. It added much to any success with which we met that it would bring pleasure to those who knew us, and who wished us well, those who cared whether we succeeded or failed. And when we had been misjudged or misrepresented, it was a comfort to feel that there were those who knew and understood us thoroughly, aud who would assuredly be certain that we had been thoroughly honest and upright in our motives for action. And it should be a help to us to feel that God knew us thoroughly; that we were of individual interest to Him, and that His thorough knowledge of us could not be mistaken. But, then, from this indiridual knowledge of us, we must remember our individual responsibility for what we did. We were responsible for ourselves and for others, for the society in which we mixed, for the example we continually set. We might not be able to do much, but God, Who knew us individually, knew well what we could do, and expected us to do it. He knew what our individual share was, and expected to see it from us. An old Chinese proverb told us that the best way to keep a town clean was for everyone to sweep before his own door. They knew how it was with a regiment at a review-the men marched part the saluting officer with the strictest precisiondressing and bearing bcing in perfect order. It was the result of each man individually feeling that he was responsible that any lack of steadiness of attention would spoil the efforts of his companions. They might see it also in that with which bell ringers had so much to do. Surely the success of a peal depended upon the individual care and attention of each member of the band of ringers. Let one fail to listen to the conductor's voice, and let eye ol mind stray from the work in which he was engaged, and the efforts of the others would be neutralisen and the peal would probably fail. There was individual responsibility resting on each one to secure the success of the efforts of the whole band. He would say, cultivate this feeling of individual responsibility in all that tiney did. They were all their brother's keepers, responsible for the example they set, the encouragement they gave, the kindly spirit they shared. Let them bear in mind that they were workers in God's house, and that tha bells which they rang carricd their message of sympathy to many a heart. There was a motto given to him by a ringer which he had had put up in the belfry of his church, and which he would commend to them:-

Who rings this bell.
Let him look well
To head and hand and heart.
The head for wit,
The hand for work
The heart for worship's part.
For the right use of head and hand and heart they were individually responeible. Their messages through the bells brought up many memories to them on whose ears they fell. They gladly used head and hand in making the bells carry their message. Let them not forget to use heart, too, in the work, remembering that the message, which their head and hand caused the bells to send, was God's mesEage, that in sending it they were individually responsible workers together with Him. Let their hearts go with it and bid men "Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness and call upon His name.'
The business meeting, preceded by tea, took place in the Schoolroom. Mr. F. A. Milne, the hon. treasurer, presided over the first part of the proceedings, and was supported by the Rev. C. M. Harvey, the Rev. F. O. Sutton, Vicar of St. Andrew's (who has succeeded in the living the Rev. H. G. Bird, who was President of the Association for many years), the Rev. J. Wooster, Mr A. T. King IS.O., Messrg many Coles and H. C. Chandler, joint hon. secs., Mr. W. Pye (Master), etc. The report for the past year was presented, and was of a very gratifying description. It stated that it was not too much to say that in point of variety and excellence the work of 1912 had been unequalled since the Association was formed. The number of successful peals was remarkable, being 153 (made up of 121 on tower bells and 32 on handbells), as compared with 83 in the previous year. They were made up of Kent Treblo Bob Major', 6; Royal, 1; Oxford Treble

Bob Major, 2; Grandsire Triples, 20; Caters, 3; Oxford Bob Triples, 1 Bob Minor ( 1 method), 1; Bob Minor (3 methods), 2; Bob Major, 5 Double Norwich, 7; Superlative Surpriso Major, 8; Cambridge, 6 New Cambridge, 4 ; Norfolk, 2; Gloucester, 1; London, 6; Bristol, 21 Cambridge Surprise Royal, 5; Stedman Triples, 28; Caters, 16; Cinques 8 ; total, 153. The 32 on handbells consisted of: Kent Treble Bob Major, 2; Royai, 1; Grandsire Triples, 9; Caters, 3; Bob Major, 2 Stedman Triples, 4; Caters, 9; Cinques, 2.

## SOME MEMORABLE PEALS.

## The report proceeded:-

This remarkable increase is due in part to an increase in the interest taken in ringing peals on handbells; but it is noticeable at the same time, and we are glad to call attention to it, that there has been during the past year an increase in the peals rung on tower bells in nearly all the methods practised by the members, from Bob Minor and Grandsire Triples to Stedman Cinques and Surprise Methods. By far the greatest ringing achievement of the year was the record peal of Bristol Surprise Major, consisting of 15,264 changes, which was rung at Hornchurch on Whit-Monday, May 27th, in 9 hours and 49 minutes. This is the longest Surprise peal ever rung, and the longest length in any method by the Association. It is also the only "record" held by the Association, and we heartily congratulate the band on their splendid performance, especially Mr. William Pye, who so ably conducted the peal, thus adding another to his long list of triumphs as a conductor.

During the eight days ending on November 16th a series of peals were rung by the Edmonton band, to commemorate the 21 st birthday of Miss Edith Parker. Out of seven attempts, six peals in six different Surprise Methods were brought to a successful issue, including the first peals of Gloucester and Norfolk Surprise in the county of Middlesex, the former also being the first in the method by the Association. This peal was ably conducted by Miss Parker, to whom our heartiest congratulations are due. It may be truly said of Miss Parker in all that she has taken part in during the year-nihil tetigit quod non ornavit-she has handled nothing that she has not adorned, whether on tower bells, or on handbells. During the year Miss Parker conducted for the Association three peals of London, three of New Cambridge, one of Gloucester, and three of Superlative Surprise, in addition to a peal of Grandsire Triples on handbells, all of them truly admirable achievements

Amongst many other noteworthy performances, mention must be made of a peal of Grandsire Triples rung by members of the Metropolitan Police Force at St. Magdalene, Holloway, on April 25 th. The band consisted of one sergeant and seven constables, the conductor being Mr. Cornelius Charge. The peal is, we belicve, the first ever rung by a band of policemen.
A "Gearge "peal was rung by members of the Association on June 2gth at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, conducted by that well known ringer, Mr. George R. Pye, whilst the first peal of Norfolk Surprise by the Association was rung at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on September 25th, conducted by Mr. James E. Davis. On November 5th the Finchley band rang a peal of Minor, in the three follow ing methods, viz.:-Oxford Bob, College Single, and Plain Bob, under the conductorship of Mr. F. A. Barker, who thus had the satisfaction of calling his first peal. We mention this performance, confident that the Finchley band will feel encouraged by it to attempt Minor peals in seven methods, as they once did. If anything could be done to the Hendon bells, it would be a red-letter day in the history of the Association, for they, too, have a band of six bell ringers second to none in the county, and yet are outside the privileges of peal ringing owing to the bad "go" of the bells It seems a pity that where all else at Hendon has been restored, nothing should have been done to the bells. Many peals were rung in various methods on handbells during the year, members of the Edmonton band ringing peals of Grandsire Triples and Caters, Bob Major, and Kent Treble Bob Major, whilst others of our prominent handbell performers rang peals of Stedman Triples, Caters, and Cinques, and Kent Treble Bob Major and Royal. Undoubtedly handbell ringing is becoming more popular amongst the exercise and we are glad to be able to place it on record that our own Association is not behind hand in prosecuting this delightful branch of the ringers' art

THE INFITUX OF MEMBERS
During the year we elected seven honorary members and 127 ringing members, and after allowing for deaths, resignations, etc. we close the year with a very satisfactory total membership of 606 .

New bands have been formed in the North and East District at St. Giles-in-the-Fields and St. James', Clerkenwell, and instruction is being given. Considerable progress has been made at Clerkenwell with half-pull ringing, whilst there are not wanting signs of improvement at St. Giles-in-the-Fields. The St. Mary Magdalene, Holloway, band has also come in. On the other hand, the Pinner band has resigned membership.

In the South and West District two towers have become affiliated to the Association, viz.: -Acton and West Ealing. At the former instruction is being given by Mr. J. R. Mackman, with every sign of success. Satisfactory progress is being made at West Ealing. The report also records a number of bell restorations, and adds that 226 members took part in the 153 peals, and that the 121 tower bell peals, were ruing in 58 different towers. There were 30 conductors. The report, together with the balance sheet, whioh showed a balance in hand of $£ 203 \mathrm{~s}$. 10d. on the Central fund, was adopted.
The Chairman said the Association had to proceed to the election of a President, in place of Mr. Bird, who they were all so sorry to lose. Ile had to submit the name of one who for many years had been well known to them, and to whom the Association owed so much; one, in fact, who was the maker of the Association-their old friend, Mr. King (applause). Mr. King came along when the old Association had fallen to a membership of about 60 , and he brought the new Asoociation up to over 600 members. They would all agrec that they could not have a better President than Mr. King (applause). Mr. Lucas seconded, and the motion was carried amid applause.

## DISTRICT VICE-PRESIDENTS CREATED.

When Mr. King took the chair he was greeted with enthusiasm and by the singing of "For he's a jolly good fellow," He said when be was asked to become their President he had some difficulty in reconciling himself to the idea, not because it was distasteful to him, but because he had a keen notion that the first duty of a president was to preside, and how could he, living at Southsea, come up to preside at every mecting of the Association? He could not, of course, undertake to be present at all the meetings of the Association, but he thought he could undertake to be present at all the important meetings, and in order that the Association might not suffer, he hoped he might be allowed to nominate two vice-presidents, one in each of their districts, who should correspond with him on all subjects concerning the welfare of tho Association-Mr. Milne, for the North and Tast District, and Mr. Hesse for the South and West District. Mr. King went on to pay a tribate to the great and unostentatious work which Mr. Bird had done for the Association as its president. He knew all that was going on in the Association; he could sympathise with them when there was need of sympathy, and he could render advice when there was need of advice and aid. He (Mr. King) wanted to make any poor services ho had to offer effectual, and he thought by means of the vice-presidents they could be made perfectly effectual. He hoped during the next year that they would all try to become a deal better men, as well as better ringers, for after all that was the great aim. Leet them not only show how united they could be in ringing, but also how united they could be in the service of the Church. The Church needod her sons to stand by her when there were so
many attacks made, and their service would be gratefully accepted.

## CONSIDERATION FOR THE PUBLIC.

Continuing, Mr. King said in past years many subjects of interest had been discussed in the Association's reports, which were forced into prominence in the present day. He had just been reading the Ringing World " how Sir Arthur Heywood was cautioning pople against excessive peal ringing. That had been done a long time before, and if they would turn to the pages of their old reports that ringers must not be a nuisance to their neighbours, and the were not it misance, for they were always considerate of their neighbours. If there were any illness, who were so ready to stand aside as ingers? It was an axiom of their belief; they might be disappointed of conrse, b. conslantly asking for the same tower, but by the exercise of a little judgment, and, abore all, by the exercise of a little give-and-lake they could do a good deal. Unfortunately those who yielding. Those who objected to bells did so on principle bulutely un-

Those who objected to bells did so on principle. but he did mol know whe the principle came in; all he knew was that one man reople had to be dealt with, and it was of no use to rub them the wroug way: They must exercise care and tact. and they must be reasonable in all they wanted to do. They knew there were times other times when they were not expected to be silent, and when they wero the interpreters of the joys and sorrows of a parish. The man in tho street did not make any difference between the man who jangleit ihe bells out of tune, and the men who rang the bells with all their scientific ability. But they coukl put up with that as long as they madle progress, and there was progress in their Absociation. It had been said that the growth of their society was in some measure due to him. He did not think it was. It was the members thensalves who made the Association. He could not have done anything sible way, and he hoped they would continue to help him. Mr. King concludnd by quoting from a letter from the Rer if. Mr. King which he sent his best, wishes "to all the fine fellows." Third, in comed that evening Mr. Bird's successor nt St. Andrew's, and if he was not a ringer himself, he came from Newdigate, where there was
a peal of six, and it was exceedingly nice to have amongst them, one who could be in sympathy with them as ringers.

Mr. C. T. Coles seconded the motion for the appointment of vicepresidents, and it was carried unanimously.

OFFICERS RE-ELECTED.
The following officers were re-elected: Master, Mr. William Pye; hon. treasurer, Mr. F. A. Milne ; joint hon. secs., Messrs. C. T. Coles and H. C. Chandler; auditors, Messrs. J. E. Miller and W. Pickworth.

It was resolved to give the printing of the next annual report to "The Ringing World," who have done it upon the last two occasions, and who, the President said, "had done it uncommonly well."
It was decided not to have further peal books written for the Association, but to utilise for the purpose of the record the annual. report.

THE ASSOCLATION AND THE WARNER OUP.
Mr. Coles reported that the committee had considered a scheme, based on that adopted by Durham and Newcastle, for the encouragemeni of Sunday ringing, but had been unable to come to a decision on the matter, being of opinion that it would be difficult to work with success in Middesex. They were anxious to produce a scheme: satisfactory to all, and hoped by the next annual meeting to be able to place before the members one based on attendance (regular and punctual) if the members would consent to this being postponed.-This was agreed to.

The question of the cup offered by Messrs. Warner and Sons for peal ringing had been, it was reported, carefully considercd by the committee at a time when the position of the Association in the Analysis was not known, and they were of the opinion that the members should be asked to decide whether or not the cup should beaccepted, should the Association be in the position to do so.-The President stated that he had no doubt that Messrs. Warner had been actuated by the highest motives in offering this cup for competition, and all ringers thought the same, but the idea of ringing peals to win a cup was abhorent to him, and, he believed, to most ringers. They rang peals solely for the love of the bells, and for their art. It was not yet known which of the Associations would be top in the Analysis, but as the Middlesex Association was usually thereabouts, the committee would like to know the wishes of the members. He, therefore, proposed the following resolution:- "Resolved that should it br found at any timel that this Association is placed first in the order of merit by the compilers of the Analysis, the cup so generously offered by Messrs Warner and Sons be not accepted for custody. The members of this Assqciation do not for one moment seek to disparage Messrs. Warners generosity: but they had hoped that bell ringers, being church workers, might have been able to rely upon timehonoured friendly rivalry to encourage their efforts, in preference to the less acceptable incentire of a cup competition."-The resolution was seconded by Mr. B. Prewett, and on being put to the meeting, was carried unanimously.-It was left to the committee to decide where the next annual meeting should be held.

The President proposed a very hearty vote of tlianks to the Vicars of St. John the Baptist's and St. Andrew's for the use of their bells, and also to the former for his splendid address, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Mr. King reminded the members that the new Vicar of St. Andrew's was amongst them that day, and he hoped that he would often come amongst them. He included in the vote of thanks the curate (the Rev. J. II. Wooster), the organist and choir, the local ringers, and all who had helped to make the members comfortable. The vote, on being put to the meeting, was carried with great en-thusiasm.-This concluded the business.

The ringing during the day included touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Caters, Treble Ten, Double Norwich, Cambridge, Superlative, and London.

## THE WINCHESTER GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Portomouth district was held at Fareham, on Easter Mondar. Touches of Kent Treble Bob Major, Stedman Triples and Grandsire were rung in the afternoon by members from Wickham, Portsea, Upham, Curdridge. Portsmouth, Gosport, Winchester, Titchficld, Swanmore, Fareham, Brading, and visiting ringers from St. Alpliege, Greenwich and Oatlands Park. Although orly 25 members had given the secretary intimation of their intention to be present, upwards of 55 turned up, and all attended Divine service in the Parisin Clureh, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. -. Jarbat). The ringers then adjourned to the tea rooms, where the host was taxed to the utmost to provide room. Tea over, the party had to adiourn to the Parish Hall (kindly lent by the Vicar) for the meeting. -Mr. A. T. King was manimously voted to the chair. and was supported by Mr. J. Whiting (district secretary), Mr. E. J. Harding (representative), and Mr. Thornton (Greenwich). The business was much of a routine character. One hon. member and a few probationers wero elected.-Mr. A. T. King gave a very interesting account of the work entailed in allotting the points for peals-A rote of thanks was accorded to Mr. King for presiding, to the Vicar for use of bells and parish hall, and to all the officers.- Much sorrow was expressed at the absence of the Master (the Rer. C. F. Matthers), on account of illness. The bells were afterwards kept going to Treble Bob Major and Stedman Triples.

## NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## THE BELLS OF FINEDON.

The famous okd pile, yclept Finedon Church, was the scene of a Central Northamptonshire Assoziation meeting on Saturday last. In days gone by, the late Master of the Oxford Guild-the Rev. F. E. Robinson-had a warm corner in his heart for Finedon, and that regard would have been accentuated had he lived to have heard and rung the new bells now hanging in the tower. More than once has the Master called his pet peal-the four-part-as peal tablets on the belfry walls testify. A year and a half ago the old eight bells were condemned as unsafe, and as it had taken two strong men on the tenor to "put her through" the last peal, the condemnation was jnstified. After various tenders had been discussed, that of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, was accepted, to recast five, to retune and rehang the whole peal in a modern iron frame with up-to-date fittings.
The project was considered some four years ago, when Canon Paul, now deceased, held sway at Finedon, but the intervention of "The Society for the Preservation of Ancient Buildings," with its well-meant, but erroneous, fossilised and antiquarian ideas, postponed the accomplishment of " a consummation devoutly to be wished." With the advent of the present Vicar (the Rer. I. Greaves, M.A.), the matter was revived, and has now been brought to a successful conclusion. About 50 members turned up, despite the wretched weather, and enjoyed themselves to the full in various methods, as suited their capabilities. They came Bedford, Kettering. Wellingboro', Irthlingboro', Higham Ferrars, Northampton, Desboro', and Leicester, and the belfry was taxed to its utmost capacity

At four o'clock, the Vicar gave an address to the members from the pulpit of the quaint edifice, and listeners realised that they had in the Vicar of Finedon an ideal "ringers' parson." Discoursing on the voice of the bells, the reverend gentleman compared the muezzin of the Mohammedans to the ringer. Among other things, he said: "While journeying in the East, what impressed me most was the consistency of the native. Erery day at 8, 12, 4 and at sunset, the muezzin would ascend the Minarets of the Mosque and call the faithful to prajer, when everyone, no matter how engaged, would kneel at once and pray to Allah. How lax we are, and yet how readily we might at least copy them in this. ${ }^{\text {. }}$

## THE VICAR AS A RINGER.

After the service, the following assorted members iang a course of Bristol Surprise Major: W. Rogers 1, J. Houghton 2, W. German 3, D. Nichols 4, H. Horr 5, A. Tyler 6, W. Perkins 1, W. Willson 8; followed by a cource of Cambridge Surprise, by: A. Nartin (Higham) 1, W. Regers (Northampton) 2, Miss E. Steele (Bedford) 3, W. Perkins (Irthlingboro') 4, R. Turner (Kettering) 5, E. Chapnsan (Kettering) 6, W. Willson (Leicester) 7, W. Sawfoot (Northampton) 8. The company then adjourned to the sichoolroom, where a tea awaited them. The Vicar occupied the chair, supported by the Rev. Owen (curate), Dr. Burland, Miss Steele, Mr. J. Slarke, of Easton Neston, Mr. Meadows, MIr. W. Willson, and Mr. W. Perkins (local secretary).-At the subsequent speech-making, a hearty vote of thanks was proposed to the Vicar by Mr. D. Nichols, of Kettering, who congratulated the Vicar and wardens on the splendid peal now in their charge.-Mr. W. Willson, in seconding the vote, explained the difference between the old and new styles of tuning and hanging. Asked why "chiming" the bells for Sunday sertice was not more used as of old, Mr. Willson described how swing chiming wore the gudgeons oral, from bearing only on the underside. The rote was carried by acclamation, and the Vicar, in reply, in a humorous speech, expressed his pleasure in meeting the Association, and said he would not only go in for ringing himself, but endeavour as far as was practicable to convert his fellow parsons to the ringers' ideals.

Returning to the tocier, the following rang the first course of London Surprise on the neve bells: A. Smeathers 1, W. Rogers 2, T. Chapman 3, H. Horn 4, J. Ward 5, W. Willson 6, J. Houghton 7, W. Perkins 8. Until about y p.m. the bells were kept going in various methods, when they were lowered, and the company retired to the ancient hostelry, "The Beli Inn,"' where Grandsire Caters, Stedman Triples, Bob and Treble Bob Major, on handbells, were indulged in until time broke up the gathering. The bells now harmonically tuned are a grand ring in D, the tenor of 22 cwt. giving one the impression of being much hearier, and heard over the countryside pours out a rich melody like a band of music.
The following are the diameters and weights of the bells:-

| No. Treble |  |  | Weiritu |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Note. | Diameter. | cwts. |  | lbs. |
|  | D | 30 3/8 in. | 6 | 2 | 16 |
| 2 | C sharp | $315 / 8 \mathrm{in}$. | 7 | 0 | 20 |
| 3 | 1 | 317:8 in. | 6 | 1 | 15 |
| 4 | A | $33 \mathrm{r} / 4 \mathrm{in}$. | $f$ | 0 | 21 |
| 5 | $\stackrel{\square}{\text { a }}$ | 37 in . | 8 | 1 | 20 |
|  | F sharp | $40 \mathrm{I} / 8 \mathrm{in}$. | $1{ }^{1}$ | 3 | 5 |
| 7 | T | $45 \mathrm{in}$. | 15 | 3 | 21 |
| Tenor | D | $513 / \mathrm{x} 6 \mathrm{in}$. | 21 | 2 | 23 |
|  |  | Total weight | 83 | 1 | 4 |

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## BELFRY REPAIRS FUND TO BE STARTED.

The Northern Branch was this year visited on the occasion of the annual meeting of the Worcestershire and Districts Association, which was held at Stourbridge on Easter Monday. The weather was good, and the welcome most hearty, and all the circumstances combined to make the meeting a clecided success. Members commenced to arrive early and the bolls at St. Thomas', Stourbridge, and Old Swinford were soon in demand. Servico was held in St. 'Thomas' Church, at 1.45 p.m., conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Stanhope Newland), who gave an excellent address.
The business meeting was afterwards held in the Forester's' Hall, the Vicar presiding. Apologies were received from the Prosident (the Dean of Worcester), the Rev. Canon Claughton, the Rev. J. F. Hastings (clerical secretary), Mr. E. J. Dowler (Northern Branch secretary), and others. A recommendation from the Central Committec was laid before the meeting, to the effect that "a Belfry Repairs Fund be started, with a grant of $£ 10$ from the general fund, and that intercst on the Savings Bank account and a sum equal to life member's subscription be added, and that grants be made at the discretion of tho Central Committee for bell repairs."-After discussion, the motion was put to the vote, and was carried with somo slight opposition.
It was decided that the branch officers be recommended to arrange two or three ringing meetings independent of the quarterly meetings, the place, date and methods to be advertised in the ringing Press.

The annual peal was arranged to bo rung at Stourbridge, conducted by Mr. R. Matthews

WORCESTER THE NEXT MEITTING PLACE.
When the place for the next anmual mecting came to be discuesed, it was unanimously decided to return to Worcester next year, and by the remarks that were made, it will, apparently, be some years before it is held anywhere else.
The new members elected included the Revs. Canon Southwell, J. T. Conan Davies (Lye), and T. Robinson (Grimley); also the ringers at Cradley, Grimley and Redditch.
As it had been decided that obituary notices should bo published in the anmual roport, tho Secretary asked that all particulars should bo sent him; at the same time he called attention to the fact that mistakes occasionally occurred in the reports of peals in the ringing papers, and that such mistakes were liable to be enterod in the peal book, unless he was advised of the alterations required- Some discussion took place as to the advisability of an umpire being present during peals on handbells, but this was deferred until the next meeting.
No change was made in any of the officers, the President, VicePresidents, Kaster, Clerical Secretary, General Secretary, Treasurer and Auditors all being re-elected, the Rev. Canon Southwell being added to the Vice-Presidents. -The meeting then closed with a hearty rote of thanks to the Chairman, to the incumbents of Old Swinford, Lye and Wollaston for the use of their bells, and to Mr. G. H. Pagett for making all the arrangements so satisfactorily.

## A NEW CERTIFICATE.

After so much discussion, tea, which was served in the same room, came as a most welcome change, and full justice was done to an excellent repast, partly contributed by the members of the St. Thomas' Church Council.-Everyono was pleased to see present Mr. W. Rock Small, of Tipton, and at the conclusion of the tea, a hearty vote of congratulation was, with much acclamation, accorded him and his wife on the celebration of their golden wedding.
The issue of a new certificate is in the hands of the Central Committee, and during the evening two excellent designs by members of this Aseociation were considered, the one sent in by Mr. J. Pigolt, of Smethwick, being cventually chosen, and will bo printed in black and white
During the evening ringing was the main oonsideration, and the rarious bells available were visiled; those at Lye, tenor $3 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. and treble 60 lbs., wero found, by thoso not used to them, to be most difficult to ring, owing to their light weight. The "go" of those at St. Thomas' show a marked improvement, and those responsible are to be congratulated.
In conclusion, attention shonld bo drawn to the fact that last year was a record in the history of this Association, both in number of members, financially, and in the number of peals rung. In fact, the toports of the last two or three years show conclusively that the formation of the three branches, has been in all ways of very great assistance in promoting the objects of the Association.

## ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY, FULHAM.

The annual meeting of the All Saints' Society. Fulham, was hekl on Saturday. During the past yoar five peals have been zung on handibells, viz, two of Bob Royal, one of Grandsire Caters, one of Stedman Caters, and one of Bob Major, all conducted by Mr. W. Shepherd. Only two failures had to be recorded. -The presence of the Vicar at tea, kindly provided by him, was much appreciated.-Courses of Treble Ten and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters and Double Norwich concluded a very enjoyable evening.

## NEW BELLS AT TWYFORD, BERKS.

## THE DEDICATION.

Easter Tuestlay will be a day long iemembered by the parishioners of Twyford, for on that occasion the new ring of eight bells was dedicated by the Ven. Archdeacon of Berks. There have been great improvements in the chruch since the present Vicar (ther Rev. R. W. H Acworth) went trere about eight years ago. The church has been enlarged at the east and west end, an organ chamber and a new elergy vestry built, and not the least, a tower has been erected, in addition to many interior improvements. The work has now been completed by the provision of a ring of eight bells.
On Tuesday, long before time for service, the church was packed The choir and clergy entered the west door singing the hymn, "The Day of Resurrection." The clergy present, besides the Archdeacon of Berkshire, were the Vicar (the lev. R. W. H. Acworth), the Revs. M. H. Waller (curate), G. F. Coleridge, Rural Dean; C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild); G. P. Crawfurd (Sonning); E E. Broome (Hurst); S. P. Mareartney (Ruscombe), G. F. William (Remenham), T. H. Wrenford (Littlewick), W. Vicars (Bear Wood), II S. Acworth (Chobham), G. W. Williams, W. Henley and W McFariane. Evening service was proceeded with, the first lesson being read by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, and the second lesson by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, after which the clergy and choir proceeded to the Baptistry under the tower, where the churchwardens asked the Archdeacon to dedicate the bells to the honour and glory of God. After the prayers a few leads of Grandsire Triples were rung by the followng, while the choir was returning to the chancel: F. Dentry (Twyford), conductor, 1, S. Paice (All Saints', Wokingham) 2, A. E. Reeves (St Mary's, Reading) 3, L. Russell (Sonning) 4, H. Bungay (Binfield) W. Newell (St. Laurence, Reading) 6, G. Martin (All Saints', Maiden head) 7, W. Fullen (Wargrave) 8. Each of these ringers was presented with a medallion made of the bell metal, by the churchwarden Mr. If. W. Verey, as a memento of the occasion.

The ringers' hymn, "Unchanging God who livest," was afterwards sung, and the Archdeacon gave a most practical address, after which came the hymn, " At the name of Jesus."-The Vicar stated that all the money for the bells and furnishing the ringing chamber had been ubscribed, and the offertory would be given to the Bishop of Oxford's Fund, which had subscribed liberally when the church was enlarged. -The offertory amounted to between $£ 8$ and $£ 9$.
After the service, the bells were kept going to a late hour. The following methods were rung: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich, Superlative and Cambridge. Ringers to the number of nearly 50 were present from Hurst, Wargrave, Sonning, Reading, Maidenhead, Slough, Windsor, Burnham, Farnham Royal, Binfield, Swindon, London, Hugheuden, Wokingham, and other places.

## THE NEW PEAL.

The belle are in an iron frame on steel girders, and the whole of the ork has been most satisfactorily carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of the Whitechapel Foundry. The tone of the bells are excellent. and the "go" is all that could be desired. The firm has also fixed an apparatus for "silent" ringing, which can be heard only in the ringing chamber. This apartment has been nicely pannelled with oak, and the walls above are finished with white enamel.
The following are the inscroptions on the bells and their weights: Treble. To the Honour and Glory of God most High. This peal of bells was placed in the Parish Church of Twyford, in Berkshire, in the year of our Lord, 1913

Weight: 3 cirt. 3 qrs. 25 lbs.
May Gord bless all whom we do call.
Weight: 6 cwt. 1 qr .2 Ibs.
In memory of father, mother, sisters and brothers, and in gratitudo for many mercies this bell was given by Mary Hedges.

Weight: 5 cwt. 0 qrs. 13 lbs.
4. Hear my prayer, O God

Weight: 5 cwt. 2 qrs. 1 lb
5. Now at length our bells are mounted.

In their Holy place on High.
Ever to fulfil their mission,
Midway 'twixt the earth and sky
Weight: 6 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lbs.
6. Glory to God in the Highest Weight: 7 cwt. 3 qrs. 7 lbs.
In memory of IIenry Verey and Ann Patience, his wife. This bell was given by their children, grand-children and great grand-children.

Weight: 9 cwt. 3 qrs. 6 lbs
Tenor. To commemorate the Coronation of King George $Y$. This bell was given bv many parishioners. God save the ling.

Weight: 12 cwt 0 ars. 10 lbs .

## LEWES BELL RINGERS' DINNER. <br> WELCOME TO NEW RECTOR

The annual dinner of the Southover Guild, Lewes, Sussex, was held on Wednesday week at the King's Head, a large company sitting down under the genal presidency of the new Rector (the Rev. T. I. Windle), Mr. J. R. Lusted (people's warden) was in the vice-chair, and among those also present were: Messis. T. A. Stewart-Jones (Rector's warden) J. I'. Glandfield, H. E. White, E. Bedford, F. A. Walston, Councillor W. T. Fowler, Sergt.-Major R. Souter, Messrs. A. J. Turner (captain and hon. secretary), E. J. Pannett, C. Errey, F. S. Sturt, G. H. Sturt, G. Stroud, W. A. Hillman, R. J. Dawe (Seaford), C. Sadler, W Morris, G. W. Moppett, E. Rann, junr., E. Stidworthy, E. L. Blaber, P. Kenward, E. A. Card, F. S Hewett, W. H. Court, S. Shoesmith junr., T. Groves, J. Ward, H. Moore, W. Moore, etc. Apologies fol absence were received from the Mayor (Councillor Hugh Stott), Mr. F Verrall, Mr. F. G. Courthope, Mr. W. F. Ingram, Mr. J. Thornton Rickman (who is in Paris), Alderman G. Holman, Alderman J. Miles, Mr. J. G. Gaster, Councillor E. A. Glover, Mr. F. J. Wood and Mr E. G. Burbidge. Mrs. Golksmith, who has catered for the Scuthover bell ringers for 36 years, provided an excellent repast, and after dinner, the loyal toasts were enthusiastically honoured.

Mr. F. A. Walston proposed "The Southover Shivech Bell Ringers" Guild, and remarked that he was proud to be associated with such a splendid lot of fellows, whose services in the belfry weie very highly appreciated (hear hear). In these days when the good old Church was being bitterly attacked it behoved all of them to stand up for it, and the best way in which they could do that was by regular attendance at Divine service. He would like to see a bell ringers' pew, and he would rive them the best pew in the church (hear, hear). He extended a hearty welcome to their Rector, who had already gained a warm place in the hearts of the people of Southover (applause). They hoped he would continue among them for many years (applause). They would all remember on such an occasion as that, Mr. H. H. Ebrall, who for several years was hon. secretary of their Guild, and who was now in Western Australia. He would be glad to forward a message of goodwill to Mr. Ebrall from members of the Guild, by whom their former secretary would always be kindly romembered (applause). He wished the Guild and its members every success (applause)
Mr. A. J. Turner (who has captained the Southover Ringers' Band for 20 years, and whose name was coupled with the toast) remarked that the ringers appreciated very much the kind references made to their work. They tried to do their little bit towards the work in the parish, and the way in which the members assembled in the belfry after a hard day's work to teach young ringers was very creditable. Bell ringers had to apply their mind to their work, as everyone else did. It took months and even years to become a first-class ringer, and it was a very fascinating pastime, better even tnat foothall, for a man could continue ringing for many years. So enthusiastic was the speaker that he told of his experiences of bell ringing since 1889 in rhyme, which greatly amused the company. Bell ringing, he continued, was one of the best exercises for body and mind, and brought into play all the muscles. He thanked the supporters of the Guild for their assistance, which enabled the Guild to finish the year with an excellent balance on the right side (applause).

Mr. F. S. Sturt, in proposing 'The President and Vice-Presidents,' alluded to the interest which the late Rector (the Rev. H. S. Anson) took in the Bell Ringers' Guild for about six years. The speaker welcomed the new Rector on belhalf of the bell ringers (applause). His kindness in presiding at that gathering augured well for the future. He hoped the Rector would regard the ringers as church workers. They were also pleased to see with them their old friend Mr. Lusted, who had been with them on many occasions; also Mr. Glandfield and Mr. Stewart-Jones, who had been very kind friends to them (applause).
The Charman, in responding, said he appreciated the hogour done him in asking him to accept offics as President of the Guild. He would accept the office with very great pleasure (applause). He re garded the bell ringers as church workers who were, or should be, doing a most useful work in a parish. He had never heard a peal of ten bells till he came to Southover, and it was a joy to him to listen to them. He was delighted with the historic church and parish, and hoped he would be blessed with health and strength to be a help to the parish, because that was his desire (applause). During the two weeks he had been in the parish he had found everyone ready and willing to help and co-operate, and he felt sure he could rely upon assistance from them in the future.

Mr. Lusted, who said it was over 30 years since he first attended the annual dinner of the bell ringers, Mr. Glandfield and Mr. T. Stewart-Jones also responded.-The toast of "The Hostess" was also drunk.-During the evening, a capital musical progamme was carried out, some excellent songs being interspersed with handbell ringing.

HALESOWEN.-Worcestershine Association (Northern Branch).-On Faster Day, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1260 changes), in 43 mins.: E. White 1, V. White 2, G. Cockin 3. J Hemming 4, A. Hackett 5, A. Greenfield 6, W. H. Webb (conductor) 7, M. Hackett 8.

## CHARLES HOUNSLOW.

## AN APPRECIATION.

"Let us now praise famous men; and our fathers that begot us." Many a fond memory circles round the honoured name of Charles Hounslow, whose death and funeral were noted in last week's " Ringing World." One of nature's true gentlemen, he had long ago made his mark among a large circle of ringers and musicians: a friend to all, he was valued by those of high degree as well as by those who stood on a lower rung of the social ladder. Of his great abilities as a ringer and conductor few were more conversant than those of a generation back, who, whether as members of the City or University Societies, were associated with him at Oxford. Ever ready for a peal, he was equally ready to instruct some beginner in the art, either on the practical or theoretical side. Fond of music, he proved an inimitable siffleur, his skill in whistling long pieces of music being marvellous. He made a practise of attending the Sheldonian Theatre whenever an oratorio was produced with full orchestra by a suppliant for the degree of Mus. Doc.-his opinion of the music-not to mention the composer-proved later to be rarely at fault.

Probably no man living ever yet conducted Holt's Original by a method similar to that invented by Charles Hounslow : the notes of the bells " before" were whistled by him in silence when conducting. So accurately had he mastered the order of the notes which ran like a tune or chant, that a false call was rarely, if ever, made by him. The whole peal would be whistled off to an inquiring listener in a couple of minutes or less with an accuracy which was only equalled when the peal was rung with intervals of two minutes more or less between the bobs.
Much, indeed, does Oxford owe him for preserving the Art from falling into oblivion in those early days before the Diocesan Guild was formed. Associated with its first Master, who had rung much with him, he took part in most of the noteworthy peals rung at Drayton, Appleton and elsewhere; he was also the life and soul of not a few ringing tours, notably in the west.

By profession a painter and writer, much of his beautiful work may be seen in various towers. The most notable peal board for beauty of design and writing, with elaborate detail, hangs in the tower of St. Lawrence, Reading. His last appearance as a ringer was at the dedication of the screen in memory of the late Master at Drayton-a touching appearance indeed-the aged man, with wit as keen as ever-his eye undimmed, but his natural force abated-a frame feeble with the weight of four score years; looking back in memory on the days of long ago-chatting of the past with his numerous friends gathered round him. It was an appearance to be remembered, for it was the last time, though we knew it not, that we should see his face again this side of the Great Hereafter. Wrapped comfortably in the Master's great coat, a swift motor took him back to "Ringwell," his home in Oxford, from which not many weeks afterwards, he was slowly borne to his long home, accompanied by a few relatives, and about 50 ringers, who lined the churchyard path as the bier was wheeled into the church, and, after the service in church, gathered round his grave.

In the person of Charles Hounslow, a firm and stedfast friend has gone the way of all flesh. The world is the poorer for his departure hence: a true life has been rung out, the Exercise loses one of its brightest ornaments. May he rest in peace!
G.F.C.

## NOTICES.

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## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-

 TION.-Southern Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Great Hampton, on Saturday, April 5th. Service in church at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting in the Parish Room after service. Bells (6) at 3 p.m., Evesham (IO), Bengeworth (6) available from 7.45 p.m. till 9 p.m.J. Hemming, Branch Secretary, io, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Eccles, on Saturday, April 5th. Bells available at 4.30. Meeting at 7 p.m. A good attendance is desired to give a welcome to the new Vicar. - W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Potton to-morrow (Saturday, April 5th). Bells available from 3 to 9 p.m. Business meeting at 6 o'clock. - F. Blood, Branch Secretary.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held cn Saturday, April 5th, 1913, at Christ Church, Bacup. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m., meeting at $6.30 .-J$. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 3r, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

BATH AND W'ELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIA. TION.-Axbridge Deanery Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Berrow, on Saturday, April 5th. Service at 4.30 , tea and meeting to follow in the Parish Hall, tea 6d. each. Bells available frcm 2 p.m., Burnham bells from 7 p.m.-J. Harris, Branch Sec., Burnham.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch.-The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Leesfield Parish Church on Saturday, April i2th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock, meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-J. H. Bastow, Branch Sec., 13, Norman Street, North Moor, Oldham.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch.-A meeting will be held at Grassendale on Saturday, April I2th. Rells ready at 4. Tea at 5.30. Members intending being present please send word to Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Chew Deanery Branch. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Portishead on Saturday, April 12 th. Bells available at 4.30. Tea at the Care, High Street, at 5.15. Meeting to follow.-George Yeo, Honorary Local Secretary.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Caerphilly on Saturday, April 12th, at 4.30.-Rev. Connop L. Price, M.A., and John W. Jones, Honorary Secretaries.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bolton Branch.The next meetng will be held at Farnworth on Saturday, April izth, at 6 o'clock. Meeting 7.30. - G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -Established 1637 .-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on April 15 th and 29th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames S'treet, on the roth and 24th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 2gth; St. Michael's, Corn_
hill, on the 15th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 22 nd. Also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus at 7.30 , the others at 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern Divi-sion.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Waldron on Saturday, April Igth. Bells opened at 3 o'clock, 1 , 5.30 , by kind invitation of the Rector of Waldron (the Rev. W. J. Humble-Crofts, M.A.). Members wishing to be present at tea must let me know by the 14th.-Geo. H. House, Kenilworth, Latimer Road, Eastbourne.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).-Southern District. -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, April igth, at St. Mary's, Battersea; tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow; all ringers invited. -F. A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North Western Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Saffron on Saturday, April rgth. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 5.30 p.m.-William Watts, District Secretary, Mont House Cottage, Stansted, Essex.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting will be held at East Retford on Saturday, April 19th. The bells at East Retford (io) and Ordsall (6) will be open for ringing during the afternoon and evening. Tea at 5 p.m. at Howard's Restaurant, free to members, non-residents is., and to others is. 3d. per head. A hearty welcome will be given to members of kindred associations.-H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The quarterly meeting will be held at Whittle-le-Woods on April 19th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 5.30. XII ringers welcome-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-dale.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).-The quarterly meeting of the association will be held on Monday, April 2ist, at St. Boltoph's, Bishopsgate, E.C. Tower open from 7.30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Business meeting at 9.15 at the Citizen, Houndsditch, E.C. All ringers $\downarrow$ velcome. - F. J. Hardy, Honorary General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

Chatige of address.-Mr. Francis S. Wilson, late of Ludiow, has removed to Southwood House, Tewkesbury, Glos.
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I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F. T. BECK,

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## THE DIVISION OF COUNTY AREAS.

The question of dividing its extensive area of operations into districts is one of the matters which is now occupying the attention of the officials and members of the Yorkshire Association. As we have already said, this is a matter in which we believe the advantages of division far outweigh those of completely centralised organisation. There are very few large associations now that have not instituted the principle of administering their respective areas by means of more or less self-controlled branches. and in every case this method has led not only to increased interest among the members, but it has widened the sphere of activity, brought in a greater number of members, and raised the general standard of ringing. Particularly is this so where the branches hold frequent district meetings.

Two cases in point have come under recent notice. Just, over a year ago the Surrey Association established a new. Southern District, which, previously, so far as they were concerned, was almost entirely outside the sphere of operations. That new district has already brought an accretion of 53 members and several towers, the majority of which would in all probability have remained unattached to any central body. In Worcestershire the division of the county has had equally satisfactory results, and the annual report just issued attributes the great progress made in the usefulness of the Association and in change ringing to the formation of these branches three years ago, an action which has brought the Association more into touch with outlying parishes than was possible before.

The success which has attended these, as well as other associations, should be an incentive to Yorkshire to take the step, when the matter comes up for decision. Meanwhile, the Devon Guild, who will shortly be holding their annual meeting, might also take the subject into consideration. We do not intend the slightest disrespect to Devonshire when we say that, for its size, and the number of its peals of bells, no county in England is more backward in change ringing. Here and there one finds a bright oasis in the desert of "stoney-land," but it is not a centre where the Art flourishes. If Devon would try the experiment of dividing the large area into districts we feel sure the effect would be beneficial. It is impossible for an executive to keep in close touch with all the towers in such a big county, when there is no decentralisation, and it is still more impossible to organise effectively that " missionary " work which is so essential to real progress. Now is Devon's opportunity. A big stride forward will have been taken if the county be split up into suitable, branches, each possessing some measure of executive porwer.

## CHARLES CARR,


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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDI,ESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, April 5, 1913, in Four Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Giles, Cripplegate,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANGES; Tenor $36 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

| William J. Nudds | ...Treble | Frank Bennett |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George R. Pye ... |  | Redben Sanders | 8 |
| Bertram Prewett | . ... 3 | James E. Davis | 9 |
| John H. Cheesman | . ... 4 | Alfred W. Grimes | . 10 |
| Isaac G. Shade |  | Ernest Pye | II |
| Charles T. Coles | 6 | William Pye | Tent |

Composed and Conducted by William Pye.
First peal of Cambridge Maximus by all except the ringers of the 2nd, 3 rd and tenor.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON. THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Tuesday, April 1, 1913, in Thres Hours and Twenty-three Minutes, At Charles' Church,
A PEAL OF ERIN CATER8, 5025 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt .
Walter H. Marsh ... ...Tyeble Frank Hockaday ... ... 6 Ernest W. Marsh ..... $.2^{2}$ George R. Stroud...... William Rundle ....... 3 William Ford... ... ... 8 Warren H. Hornbrook... 4 W William D. James.... .... 9 Reginald Dobson ... ... 5 Francis Purse... ... ...Tenor Composed by Rev. E. S. Powell, and

Conducted by William D. James.
This is the first peal in the method by all the band, in the county and by the Guild. This composition is now rung for the first time.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, April 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5163 CHANGES;

Joseph A. Lambert ... ...T Treble $\mid$ William S. Smith... ... 6 James W. Trappitt ......${ }^{2}$ Frank Holder $\quad . .$. Alfred J. Trappitt ... ... 3 Edwin L. Miles ... ... 8 David Wright ... ... ... 4 William Groves ... ... 9 Albert Calver ... ... ... 5 | Charles H. Kippe... .... Tenor

Composed by Edgar Bennett, and
Conducted by William S. Smith.

ASTON MANOR, BIRMINGHAM.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, April 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Eleven Mirutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GATERS, 5043 CHANCES;
Tenor 24 cwt., in $D$.
Percy O. Laflin ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ John Corrigan... ... ... 6
James Jones ... ... ... 2 John Neal... ... ... ... 7 *William J. Meers... ... 3 William G. Eilis ... ... 8 John Carter ... ... ... 4 James L. Wells ... ... 9 Edmond J. Hyland ... 5 William Davies ... ...Tenor

> Composed by John Carter, and
> Conducted by Percy O. Laflin.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor. This composition is No. 3 on Carter's Broadsheet.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 29, 7913, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAdOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Arthur Symonds .... ...Tveble $\mid$ William Dent... ... ... 5 Stedman H. Symonds ... 2 William Fayers ... ... 6 William R. John Poulson 3 Thomas W. Garrard ... 7 George Lambert ... ... 4 Thomas Prpke ... ... ...Teror

## Composed by E. Wightman, and

Conducted by S. H. Symonds.
First peal in the method by all except the treble man and rung at the first attempt. First peal in the method in the Sudbury Archdeaconry by all residents. The ringer of the 3rd has now rung every bell in this tower to a peal.

## SCUNTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Northern Braxich.)
On Tucsday, April 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. John,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

> Vicars' Six-Part.

Tenor 18 cwt .

EARLSHEATON, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
Or Tuesduy, Apvil 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor $14 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.

Stanofe Rigg
John William Dews...
.. .
Willie Senior ... ...
$\begin{array}{ll}. . . & 2 \\ . . . & 3\end{array}$ ansfield .. Composed and Conducted by George H. Hardy.
Rung as a compliment to Alderman James Greenwood, first Mayor of the County Borough of Dewsb iry.

## DOVER, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(The St. Mary's Society.)
On Wednesday, April 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Eigh Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES; Vicars' Six-Part.
Geurge Saunders ... ...Treble
Wileiam J. Sheaff ... ... 2
Percy Gibes ... ... ... 6
Artaler H. Roberts ... 3 Charles Turner ... ... 7 Richard H. Stevens ... 4 Walter Corteen ... ...Tenor Conducted by Charles Turner.
Messrs. W. Sheaff and P. Gibbs were elected members of the Assuciation previous to starting for the peal.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRF ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Aфril 3, 1913. in Tro Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 15 cwt.


KENNINGHALL, NORFOLK.
THE NOKWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, April 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourtecn Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES;
Tenor 16 cwt . I qr. 12 lbs.

| Ernest F. Poppy... | ... Treble | John Cunningham | ... | .. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Thomas Ford, Junr. | .. | 2 | *Samuel Annison | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 6 | | Thomas Ford, Junr. | ... | 2 | *Samuel Annison | ... | ... | 6 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| "O. Bullman | ... | ... | .. | 3 | *F. Burrows | ... | ... | .. | 7 | Clement More ... ... 4 John Souter ... ... ... Tenor. Composed by W. Sottanstall, and Conducted by J. Souter.

* First peal in the method.


## BRISTOL.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Thursday, April 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes, At the Church of St. Matthew, Kingsdown,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAMGES; A Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part.
Fred G. May ... .... ...Treble $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { William White }\end{aligned}\right.$... ... 5
*William H. Werrett ... 2 *Henry B. Burt ... ... 6
*William J. Probert .. 3 Isaac Long ... ... ... 7
*George A. Radnidge ... 4 *John G. Hale... ... ...Tenoy Conducted by Fred G. May.

* Members of the St. Matthew's Guild. Rung muffled as a mark of respect to Mr . G. E. Lockey, for many years Vicar's Warden of St. Matthew's Church.


## LISCARD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Wirral Branch.)
On Thursday, April 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGE ;

Tenor $17 \frac{3}{3}$ cwt.

| *William Hughes ... | $\ldots$. Treble | †John Greasley | $\ldots$ | .. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| †Edward W. Dution | $\ldots$ | 2 | Henry Williams | $\ldots$ | .. | 6 |

${ }^{\text {* David Hughes ... }} . . . . \quad \cdots \quad 3 \quad$ Thomas Murray $\quad . . .$.
†James R. Griffen ... ... 4 *Albert Woosnam ... ... Tenor Composed by H. Hobbard, and
Conducted by Thomas Murray.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Triples. $\ddagger$ First peal away from the tenor. Although the bells were opened more than 25 years ago, this is the first peal on them by a local band.


## KIDLINGTON, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, April 5, 1913, in Thyee Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Holts' Ten-Part.
*Leonard Bunning ... ...Treble | J. H. Holifield, Sent.... 5
William Judge...... J. W. Wilkins ... $\cdot .$. G. H. Holifield ... ... 4 George A. King ... ...Tenor Conducted by J. W. Wilkins.

* First peal. Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Miss Barbara Freeborn, of Clifton Hampden, Oxon, to Mr. Eustace Sharpley Meddings, of Lee, Blackheath.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
At the Cathedral,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES
Tenor 28 cwt.
Hubert Eden ... ... ...Trebfe *Harry Hollick ... ... 5
Joseph Chatley $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$. Lewis Goodenough $\quad . .$.
*Charles N. Leman ... 3 George N. Price ... ... 7
Frederick Brinklow ... 4 Edward Whitbread ...Tenor Composed by J. W. Pritchard, and
Conducted by E. Whitbread.

* First peal in the method.

LECKHAMPTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (Gloucester Branch)
On Saturday, April 5, 1913, in Tavo Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thurstans' Four-Part.
Arthur S. Boar ... ...Treble
Walter Yeend... ... ... 2

* Charles L. Sadler ... 3 tGeorge H. Walters ... 4 Ex-Sergt. J. Williams...Tenor Conducted by Joserh T. Dyke.
* 50th peal. † First peal of Stedman inside. The band wish to thank the Vicar for kindly granting the use of the bells.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, April 5, 1913, in Tro Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGE8; Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. 26 lbs.
William T Tucker ...Tyeble William G Edwards *Arthur Stubbington ... 2 Edwin J. Harding ... ... 6 Henry W. Wilkes... ... 3 William H. George ... 7 Charles H. Russell ... 4 George Williams ... ...Tenor Composed by Henry Dains, and Conducted by George Williams.
*First peal on eight bells (age 16). This was W. Tucker's rooth peal for the Guild, and rung after meeting short for Double Norwich.

## LEIS ION, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(St. Margaret's Society.)
On Saturday, April 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

 Tenor $20 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in E.| John M. Button | .Tveble | Charles F. Bailey ... 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Charles Sampson | 2 | George Wilson ... ... 6 |
| Leonard P. Bailey | 3 | Edgar H. Bailey ... ... 7 |
| James M. Bailey | .. ... 4 | Ernest S. Bailey ... ...Tbior | James M. Bailey ... ... 4 Ernest S. Bailey ... ...Tbior Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Button on their 75 th and 72 nd birthdays respectively; also as a compliment to L. P. Bailey who attained his 2Ist birthday on the same date.

TURVEY, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Tienty-one Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES ;
Tenor 19 cwt.
Frederick J. Mynard. ...Treble
fFrayk Boswell ... ... 3
*Bernard Fisher

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\text { Composed by } 4
$$

Conducted by William

- First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First in the method with a bob bell. The composition has the 6 th the extent each way in $5-6$. The conductor had never called a touch in the method previous to attempting the peal.


## ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

Or Saturday, Appil 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Chorch of SS. Thomas and Edmond (R.C.),

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Thorstans' Four-Part.

John Jennings
George Parsons
George Chaplin George Roberts
$\left.\begin{array}{ccc}\ldots . . . T r e b l e \\ \cdots & \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & \cdots & 3 \\ \cdots & \cdots & 4\end{array} \right\rvert\,=$
Edwin Stringer ... ... Thomas Broder
Bertram G. Leedham ...
Bro. Pancras Picard, o.s.b.Tenor
Conducted by Thomas Bloore.
Mr . Chaplin hails from Tamworth and this is his first peal of Stedman. The band wish to thank Mr. B. W. Witchell for kindly making arrangements, and regret that, owing to another engagement, he was unable to call the peal.

## PENDLETON ${ }_{r}$ LANCS.

THE LANCASHIRE" ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, April 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHAMCES \& Tenor is cwt., in E.
Harry Chapman ... ...Treble Frederick Derbyshire ... 5
Walter C. Hunt
Harry Washbrook
... ...

|  | 2 | Walter W. Wolstencroft | 6 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| .. | 2 | Percy Derbyshire ... | ... | 7 |
| .. | 3 | Poseph Ridyard | ... | .. |
| . | 4 | Jeno |  |  | George Turner... $\ldots$... 4 . Joseph Ridyard ... ...Tenor Composed by G. R. Newton, and Conducted by Joseph Ridyard..

## SIX 8 FIVE BELL PEALS.

INGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Febrtary 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 42 Six-Scores called in nine different ways. Tenor 12 cwt o qr. 27 lbs.
W. Palfrey... Tenor 1
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\ldots . . . & . . . & . . . & 2 & \text { P. Watson } & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 3\end{array}$ W. Bartle ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by W. Palfrey.
First peal on the bells and rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

ST. WEONARD'S HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Mirtutes. At the Church of St. Weonard,

## A PEAL OF CRAMDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 Six Scores, with ten different callings. Tenor ix c cwt. Francis A. Oakley ... ...Treble Franik Voyce ... ... ... 4 Rev. V. A. Creswell ... 2 William Poston ... ... 5 Henry Weale ... ... ... 3 Thomas Amos ... ... ... ...Tenou Conducted by W. Poston.
First peal by the Vicar, who was elected a member of the Guilch previous to starting.

WOODFORD, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being seven 720's, each called differently. Tenor about i7 cwt.

- Alfred Jeffs ... ... ...Treble John Ball... .............
- Alfred Jeffs ... ... ...Treble

William Hayo...
John Ball..
Thomas Wilio...
James B. Hudson ...
Conducted $\dddot{0}$ by Reginald C. Loveday.

* First peal and first attempt. † First peal on six bells. First peak on the bells, which have just been rehung by Messrs. Taylor \& Co., who have added a new treble.


## RICKINGHALL, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Satwrday, March 29. 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-mine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Norwich Surprise, Woodbine,
Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob. Charles Bailey...
George Bailey ...

| ... | .. Tveble | Arthur Blyth... | .. | .. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| ... | .. | 2 | William Clover | ... | .. | Arthur Bailey Conducted by L. E. Last.

W. Clover hails from Thornham Magna, L. E. Last from Wickhame Skeith, and the rest belong to the local company.

## GEDNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, March 31, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;

- Miss C Emma Tenor 14 cwt.
- Miss C. Emma Banks ...Treble |. Harry V. Fletcher ... 3-- Samuel H. North ... ... 2 .A. Herbert Munson ... 4 John B. Hallifax ... Tenor
Conducted by John B. Hallifax
First peal. Rung at first attempt. Miss Banks is the first lady to ring a peal for the above Guild.


## CHEDISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(HIalesworth District.)
Cin Monday, March 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-cight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CNAHGES;

Being four 720's of Canterbury Pleasure, and three 720's of Bob Minor each called differently. Tenor $14 \frac{7}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Lionel Hammond ... ...Treble $\mid$ John O'Neill ... ... ... 4 ifredk. C. Lambert .... ... 2 Arthur H. Took ... ... 5 E. Austin Head ... ... 3 Herbert Pratt ... ... Tenor Conducted by F. C. Lambert.
Rung as a farewell to the Vicar, Rev. A. R. Upcher, M.A., who has left for Stradbroke Vicarage ; also as a birthday compliment to Mrs. and Miss L. Lambert, the conductor's wife and elder daughter.

## LIVERPOOL.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, April 7. 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary, Grassendale,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Comprising 720 each of London Surprise, Beverley Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Bob.
John Allen... ... ... ...Tveble Edward Caunce ... ... 4 George R. Newton ... 5 John Turner ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by George R. Newton.
Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Allen.

HALSALL, LANCASHIRE. THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, April 1, 1913, in Two Hou's and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of Si. Cuthbert,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE HINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of London, Canterbury, Chester, Carlisle, Beverley, York and Cambridge.

- James Marsh ... ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ James W. Bell ... ... 4 John Wilkinson ... ... 2 Herbert H. Barker ... 5 Thomas W. Gilmodr ... 3 Jameg Martin ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by J. Martin.
- First Surprise peal. This is the first peal on the bells which were wariously cast by Rudhall between the years 1736 and 1806 .

GLASBURY, BRECONSHIRE.
THE IIEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Tucsday, April 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Being 2I Six-Scores of Canterbury Pleasure, and 21 of Grandsire, with is different callings. Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{5} \mathrm{cw}$.
 Leonard Lewis...... Conducted by L. Lewis.

* First peal in two methods. Rung as a farewell peal to the conductor, who, to the regret of all the band, left next day to take up an appointment in the West Sussex Police Force.

GREAT BARTON, SUFFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. JAMES SOCIETY.
On Wednesday, April 2. 1913, in Two How's and Fifty Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF KINOR, 5040 GHANCES;
Being seven 720 's, each called differently.
Frederick G. Dewell ...Treble $\mid$ Frank J. Levitt ... ... 4
 Ernest W. Bishop ... ... 3 Horace IV. Foclger ...T Tenor Conducted by Horace W. Foulger.

## YAXLEY, HUNTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, April 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## $A$ PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANGE8;

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 20 cwt .
John J. Jutson ... ... ...Tyeble 'Oswald Richardson ... 4 William Waldron ... ... 2 Thomas R. Vaughan $\ldots$... 5 Isabic P. Bennett ... ... 3 | George Jutson ... ... Tenor Conducted by George Jotson.

* First peal. This is the first peal on the bells, the 3rd and tenor being the original bells put in by Penn in 172r. The above was rung on the 18 th anniversary of Mr. T. Vaughan's wedding day.


## BARCOMBE, SUSSEX.

On Thursday, April 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 42 Six-Scores.
Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lbs.
*Percival J. Brooks... ...Treble
 Conducted by Albert E. Edwards.

* First peal. † First peal with a bob bell. This peal was rung in honour of the marriage of Mr. A. E. Anscombe to Miss S. J. Gurr, which happy event took place at Isfield Parish Church on the 26th ult. ; also rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. P. J. Brooks.


## GEDDINGTON, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

 On Saturday, April 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Parish Church,A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 42 Six-scores, each called differently.
Tenor II cwt. 3 qr. 17 Ibs.
Horace W. Sharman ...Tveble| Percy J. Lenton ... ... 3.
George Holland ... ... 2 Albert E. Wykes ... ... 4 Robert Black ... ... Tenor
Conducted by H. W. Sharmay.

## KISLINGBURY, NORTHANTS.

THE TOWCESTER AN゙D DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Aprit 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Luke,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGE8;
Tenor 18 cwt.
Arthur Thomas Starmer...Tyeble Wilfred Sharp ... ... 3 Fred Hopper ... ... ... 2 *Walter Charles Starmer 4 William Roberts ... ...Tenny Conducted by Fred Hopper.

* First peal with a bob bell. First peal on the bells. This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to Arthur Thomas Starmer and the band thank the Vicar (the Rev. G. F. Russell) for the use of the bells. After the peal the ringers were kindly entertained to tea by Mr. and Mrs. Hartgrove.


## THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Satuday, April 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge and Norwich Surprise, College Exercise. London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 9 cwt .

| Charles Nunn... | $\ldots$ | ... Treble | George Bailey | ... | .. | 4 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Edward Youngs... | .. | ... | 2 | Arthur Balley | $\ldots$ | .. | 5 | | Edivard Youngs... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Arthur Bailey | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Clover | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | William Rose ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. | Tenor | Conducted by William Rose.

Messrs. Bailey hail from Rickinghall.

## BURSTOW, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

## (Soutuern Branch.)

On Saturday, April 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's of Oxford, two of Kent and three of Plain Bob.
Charles Varo ... ... ...Tyeble Rev. E. J. Teesdale ... 4
John Sherlock......
*Thomas W. Bond ... ... 3 Albert Harman ... ... Tenor
Conducted by Albert Harman.

- First peal in three methods. First peal of Minor in three methods on the bells.

WYMONDHAM, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE SOCIETY OF FRAMLAND RINGERS.<br>Or Saturday, April 5. 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,<br>\section*{A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 Changes;}

Being seven Six-scores each of Reading, St. Simon, Old Doubles, Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Grandsire. Tenor 20 cwt .
*Edwin Huddleston ...Treble John W. Wright ... ... 4 - Thomas H. Rate ... ... 2 William H. Dyke ... ... 5 Joseph Morrey $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ James A. Tysoe $\quad . .$. Conducted by William H. Dyke.

* First peal, and first peal by all the band in six methods.

TIBLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighten Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, 1)ouble Court and Plain Bob.

Tenor 181 cwt .

| Lewis Wiseman ... | ... | ..$T$ Teble | Olave Broyd | .. | ... | ... | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Albert Catterwell... ... 2 Walter Nice ... ... ... 5
Harry Cansell ... ... ... 3 George Ponnal ... ...Teror
Conducted by Olave Broyd.
SKIRBECK, BOSTON, LINCS.
THE LINCOLNSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Eastern Branch.)
On Monday, April 7, 1913, in Three FIours and Seven Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob, two of Plain Bob and one of Canterbury, each called differently. Tenor I8 cwt .
John Coleman ... ...
...Treble Harold Palmer
$\cdots \quad . . .4$
Arthor H. Palmer...
2 Harry Palmer
$\ldots \quad .$. $\begin{array}{llll}\text { James Kirk } & . . . & . . & \ldots . . \text { Tenor }\end{array}$
Conducted by Arthur H. Palmer.

* First peal. First peal of Minor on the bells. Rung as a farewell to the conductor who is shortly sailing on a voyage to the Far East and South Seas. The conductor wishes to thank the band for turning up on such a short notice.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

ENFIELD, MIDDLESEX. THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, April 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Eleven Minutes, At 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park,
a peal of kent treble bob Major, 5024 changes;


## LEICESTER

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Aprib G, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Mimutes,
At the Residence of W. Willson, Junt., Chepstow Roab,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

 William Willson..... .3 3-4 Conducted by William Willson, Junr.

Umpire: Sydney Shelton.
First peal as conductor and first attempt. It is E. Norman's first peal with an inside pair of bells.
The ringer of the 5 th in the peal at Worlingworth on March 3oth was Sidney W. Pilgrim, and not Richard as published.

## LATE PEAL.

UPPER BEEDING, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 5. 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF Stedman triples, 5040 Changes;

## Thorstans' Eovr-Part. Tenor 8 cwt.

George Gatland ... ...Treble George Norriss ... ... 5 | Horace Tulett... | ... | .. | 2 | Bert Challen... ... | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Arthur Hutchings | .. | .. | 3 | Edmund H. Hindup | ... | 7 |

 Conducted by E. H. Lindup.
Rung as a welcome to the Vicar, whose induction took place about three weeks before.

## BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Axbridge Deanery Branch was held at Berrow, on Saturday, about 30 members being present, representing the following towers: Burnham, Berrow, Brent Knoll, Congresbury, Weston-super-Mare, Glastonbury, etc. Service was held in the Parish Church, and a capital address was given by the Rev. Armstrong.-Tea was partaken in the Parish Hall, followed by the business meeting.Two new honorary and nineteen performing members were elected.Mark was proposed for the next quarterly meeting, and Bleadon for the intermediate meeting.-A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, for his able address, for providing tea, and for prosiding at the meeting--The Rev. Armstrong suitably responded.-Several good touches of Grandsire were rung, and Burnham bells were also available during the evening.

## A BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION.

The Middleton Parish Church band on Easter Monday did honour to one of the oldest of their members by attempting a peal of Bob Major, but the attempt unfortunately came to grief after 1 hr .46 mins. The occusion was the birthday of Mr. James Arrowsmith, and the unique feature was that the date, March 24th, has not fallen upon Easter Monday since the day upon which he was born 57 years ago.
A birthday celebration was held at the Co-operative Hall, Middeton, and, in addition to relatives and friends, the ringers were present and provided some entertainment on the handbells. A presentation was made to Mr. Arrowsmith of a silk handkerchief, upon which was woven $\Omega$ suitable inscription, and which was illuminated with bells. -Mr. W. Schofield, an old member, voiced the best wishes of the ringers, to which the reeipient suitably replice. The occasion was a most enjoyable one.

## DEATH OF A BIRMINGHAM RINGER.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. William Brook, of Birmingham, who passed away at the age of 70 years, after a long illness. The deceased had been a ringer at St. Chad's Cathedral for about 25 years, and at one time belonged to St. Philip's company. He was asafe ringer in the Standard methods and good striker, and had taken part in peals of Triples, Major and Caters, including one 10,000 of Major.
On April 1st, as a last token of respect, a half-muffled peal of Grandsire Triples was attempted at St. Chad's Cathedral, but it camo to grief after 1050 changes had been rung, owing to a change course. Afterwards, several touches were rung by W. Hunt, T. Miller, T. J. Bratton, W. Anker, C. Mackenzie, R. Ducker, J. Corrigan, and J. E. King.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.-At St. John the Baptist's Church, on March 30 th, 1216 Kent Treble Bob Major: II. J. Dewey (longest touch in the method) 1, J. Rice 2, W. Claydon 3, A. D. Mills 4, A. E. Mitchell 5, W. Wenban 6, C. Sippetts 7, F. W. Rice (conductor) 8. Rung to welcome the Rev. G. H. Bourne Barton, M.A., who has been appointed curate at the above church.

## BELLS AND THE PUBLIC. <br> To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-" "There's nothing like striking the iron whilst it's hot," and as I have so frequently ventilated this pet subject of mine at various ringing meetings, I would much like to follow your able leading article last week, with a few remarks upon what has been troubling me for years.
I was delighted to again attend the Johnson Dinner in the City of Birmingham, for the one reason of meeting so many friends of long years' standing, and some I had never seen before; but the great object of all was an opportunity of speaking on a subject we must all pay attention to, and at once! Whilst proposing the "Health of the Chairman," a gentleman whose name is justly revered and honoured by every ringer in the land, I was able to point out that when I was Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths, Sir Arthur Heywood spent one whole day with me in London, for the sole purpose of unfolding the great plan he had in mind. He, being gifted with far-seeing power, saw that at no distant date we should be obliged to have a recognised organisation to represent us in time of need. Therefore, it was entirely Sir Arthur, who, after laying his plans before the different societies, brought into being that grand Association known as the "Central Council of Church Bell Ringers," with the sole object of protecting our rights and privileges, and interests in the future.
As a visitor, I attended their last mecting, only to find the Council hat become a gigantic discussion class, between two of any great ringing friends of over 30 years standing, and certainly two of the most gifted mathematicians I have ever listened to. But at the present moment we do not want this, for there is more urgent work on hand. Now that I have got Sir Arthur fairly started, I know there is every prospect that he will cause this important matter to be discussed at the next meeting, for action must begin at once, seeing that this is
the sort of work the Council was originally intended for. Probably fow others have collected so many instances of this grievance and the antagonistic fecling against ringing as I have, for on two occasions I have been present in Court at the Old Bailey, when the judge has complained of bells being tinkled for service near at hand-once at that awful moment when waiting for the two words of freedom, or the one dread word that would send a fellow creature to eternity.
To my knowledge the question was twice raised in Parliament some
years ago. The one great instance of all that troubles me most, howjears ago. The one great instance of all that troubles me most, however, is much too dangerous, in our own interests, to put into printthat the highest governing bodies in the land, and, perhaps, 12,000 inhabitants at a time are going to be annoyed for hours to please, perhaps, your humble servant and the eleven others who generously come forward to help him. If the general public could only read the footnotes to some of the performances, such as "this peal was rung to celebrate the third birthday of the 14th daughter of the ringer of the 11th," there would be a pretty hue and cry throughout the whole
country, for if a Royal Commission or Select Committee of Inquiry were appointed, this sort of argument against us would be used. As to complaints against peal ringing, my reminiscences, if not so numerous and serions to ourselves, would be decidedly amusing!
As an instance, I remember many years ago, calling a very long attempt for the first peal of Stedman at a Malvern Priory Church, after which, mutch against my protests, the scores of visitors "who had assembled outside from several miles round, handsomely "tipped" the tower keeper to allow them all to have 'touches," ending altogether
in about six hours' ringing, with is result that to this very day the in about six hours ringing, with in re
tower has been closed to peal ringing!
Every time a peal is accomplished in a thickly populated district it is like walking about with a pocketful of firearms at "full cock," before the safety catch was invented! In many towers throughout the land, the ringers themselves have done much to beatify their ringing
room, and we should now take up the cue where the others left off, and room, and we should now take up the cue where the others
so continue the break, for united we stand, divided we fall.
Now to remedy all this and put ourselves on the safe side, I do not think the cost would be much, and I would most respectfully advise the Central Council irying to see their way clear to adopt something like this: Let them officially approach the authorities at, say, 100 towers in the country (the greatest offenders where most complaints even brick up the openings inside to within a short distance of the top. This will effectively siop the reverberating clang complained of by those near at hand, and cause the sound to travel to greater distances, bosides converting the tower into a much sweeter musical box.
If the different authorities say they will comply with this recommendation, well and good; but if not, then the only alternative is to get them kindly to provido the material-no great cost-and there are
amongst us ringers architects, stonemasons, bricklayers, carpenters, and others, who I know would at once freely give their services for an hour or two on summer cevenings to carry out the work themselves! If funds are needed, surely there are many of us who would willingly give a donation or an annual subscription of a guinea for such an object. Anyhow, try it, for we shall all look forward to the result of
the Whitsun meeting with interest. Immediate action must be taken for the sake of ourselves, our friends, the church authorities, and the public: and, abovo all, for the sake of the unknown enthusiasts who Will follow on after it has pleased the Great Spirit of All to call us.
Yours, etc., FRANCIS EDWHAD DAWE.

WORCESTERSHIRE'S PROGRESS.
The 28th annual report of the Worcestershire and Districts Association comments on the progress made by the organisation during the past year. The record of the year, it says, demonstrates that the interest, in change ringing throughout the country and the tusefulness of the Association are both largely on the increase; for while great progress was made during 1911, the year 1912 showed a record in all ways which had never been equalled in the history of the Association, As such great progress had been made during the last two years, it must be admitted that the formation of the three branches had helped to promote the objects of the Association. The increase in membership was most encouraging, the ringers at Bengeworth, Cookley, Elmley, Lovett, Fladbury, Overbury, Rowley Regis, Strensham and Wordsley, having become affiliated, but it is much regretted that so many members are in arrears with their subscriptions, especially hon. members; and it is hoped that each local secretary will assist the officers by endeavouring to have the subscriptions of his company and of the hon. members in his district sent in early in each year. While the average points per peal were not as large as in some years, the number rung was a record, being no less than 65, the year 1898 having held the record until now with 64. The large number of members who took part shows that change ringing was indeed progressing. The progress made was largely due to the Association being brought more in touch with the outlying parishes by means of the branches, and great credit was due to the branch officers for their work and enthusiasm, and for their pioneer cfforts, which were certain to have good results in time.

## MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN BRANCH.

A quarterly meeting of the Southern Branch took place at Great Hampton, on Saturday last, when the following towers were representod: Evesnam, Overbury, Pershore, Fladbury, Hinton, Bretforton, etc. The bells weve utilised in various Standard methods during the afternoon. Service was held in the church, and was well attended, the Vicar (the Rev. E. Havergal) giving a most excellent adderss, taking for his text, Psalm xcvi, 10, "Tell it out among the heathen that the Lord is King."-Tea was served in the Parish Room by Mrs. Teach, of the Crown Inn, the Vicar, Mrs. Havergal, Miss C. Havergal, and the choir (who had taken part in the service) sitting down with the ringers, the party numbering altogether 62.
The business meeting followed, at which the Vicar presided. Several performing members were elected, and it was decided to attempt the quarterly peal at Great Hampton, with Mr. F. Jordan as conductor.Badsey was selected for the next quarterly meeting, and, after some discussion, it was resolved to arrange a meeting for practice at Little Comberton, the date and time to be advertised in the ringing papers.-
A hearty rote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for presiding, for his excellent address, and for the use of the bells, and for providing such a splendid tea; to the organist and choir for attending the service, and to Mrs. Leach for the way she had catered for their wants. -The Vicar, in a brief speech, related several interesting anecdotes, and hoped at some future time he should have the pleasure of meeting the Association again on a similar visit.-Mr. H. Leach also replied on behalf of his mother.

Evesham and Bengeworth bells were to have been available in the evening, but unfortunately the clapper of the 9 th at the former tower had been brokョn, and was not returned from the bell founders, but Bengeworth's peal of six was kept going till a late hour.-The meeting proved one of the best the Southern Branch has held

## OFF THE BEATEN TRACK.

On Saturday last, six Brighton members of the Sussex Association spent an enjoyable half-day in the country. Reaching Burgess Hill by train, a start was at once made for the object of the excursion, Twineham, a charming little old-world village. It was reached by a walk of over four miles, which appeared to be appreciated by all as a
great change from the usual week-end peals. Spring flowers were in abundance by the roadside, and on arriving at the Ghurch about 3.30 , the visitors were met by the Rector (the Rev. Cresswell Gee), who welcomed the party to Twineham, and at once led the way to the tower, where there is a capital little paal of five, several of them recast, and the whole rehung by Messrs. Mears and Sainbank in the autumn of last year. The work was well carried out, the tone and "go" of the bells being all that could be desired. The bells were kept going till five oclock, the Rector, who is himself a ringer, also taking part and ringing very creditably considering that he had not handled a bell until about six months ngo. The party were then invited to the Rectory for tea, after which they adjourned to the study, where they were entertained by the Rector with anecdotes of his experiences in his former parish in the neighbourhood of the Old Kont Road, his stories being extremely interesting, not to say, at times, amusing. The tower was then again visited, and another of the local ringers took part in the ringing. The party were very much interested in the quaint little church, which is in the perpendicular style, and in which there is, amongst other relics, a stained window representing "The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin,' by Burnes Jones. The following made up the party: Messrs. Keith Hart, E. C. Merritt, R. Stredwick, J. Capp, W. C. Hart, and A. D. Stone (divisional hon. secretary), and they wish to thank tho Rector most heartily for his courtesy, hospitality, and hearty welcome.

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Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association.
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Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birming-
ham, on May 11th 1912.
Stedman Cinques by the Finddlesex Association, June1st.
Stedman Cinques by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17th.
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## BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS.ELY.

By J. R. Jerram.

At the present time the western tower contains a light peal of five bells, tenor about i3 cwt., all cast by Henry Penn, the T'cterborough bell founder, in 1723 . The Treble,

In 1322 there were two bells in the western tower; of these the great bell was called " Bounce," and the lesser one "Peter." In the same year the central tower fell; but it was rebuilt by Alan de Walringham, Prior.

A new peal of four bells was then cast for this tower. From the late Canon Raven's account we find that the weight of the great bell, called JESUS, was $37 \mathrm{cwt}$.52 lbs ; that of the third, called "John," 27 cwt. 4 lbs.; that of the second, called " Mary," 21 cwt. 4 lbs .; and that of the least bell, called "Walsyngham," I 8 cwt. 4 lbs.


Ely Cathedral.

Second, Third and Fourth have no inscriptions, dates, or marks.

The Tenor is inscribed HENRY PENN MADE ME, 1723. These bells are chimed for service by means of a curious arrangement of hammers, wires and levers: at least this was the case when I was last at Ely, some 25 years ago. The treble is used as a clock bell.

Some years ago the late Dean Goodwin discovered the marks of four ropes on a beam on the south side of the lantern tower, which were evidently made by the ropes of these four bells.

The original single bell at Stuntney, since recast by Dobson, of Downham, is said to have come from the lantern tower of Ely Cathedral.

## ODD CHANGES.

The Middlesex Association have scored a peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus, and they are to be congratulated upon at length attaining to the height of their ambition. The peal was rung at Cripplegate last Saturday, and was composed and conducted by Mr. William Pye.

That peal, we believe, is only the seventh ever rung in the method. The first was achieved at St. Mary-le-Tower. Ipswich, by Mr. James Motts' company on August 15 th, 1908, and they also rang the second in 19Io. Since then the College Youths, who were the first to score Cambridge Maximus in London, have rung three, one at Cornhill and two at Southwark. The other peal was rung recently at St. Mary Redeliffe, Bristol.
We understand that the College Youths intend attempting a peal in this difficult method at St. Paul's Cathedral on April 26th. If this should be successful it would be a crowning achievement.

The Master of the Winchester Guild (the Rev. C. E. Matthews) is intent upon increasing the peals of bells at his own church of Titchfield Hants, from six (tenor iz cwt.) to eight. He has a young band of keen ringers, and with a complete octave some good work might well be expected. At the Easter Vestry meeting consent was given to the raising of funds by the Vicar and ringers to add two new trebles.

By a typographical error we last week stated that the weight of the second bell of the new ring of eight at Twyford, Berks, was 6 cwt . I qr. 2 lbs.; it should have been 4 cwt. I qr. 2 lbs.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

The usual monthly practice of the Eastern District was held on Saturday, at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Sunderland. Unfortunately there was but a small attendance, only three towers, Holy Trinity and St. Ignatius, Sunderland, and St. Peter's, Jarrow, being represented. Ringing was confined to Doubles, Minor and Bob Triples. Howerer, the practice was very useful in forwarding the beginners.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

## SUCOESSFUL WIMBORND BRANOH MEETING.

A quarterly meeting of the Wimborne Branch of the Salisbury Guild was held on Saturday in Easter week, at Buckhorn Weston, the "furthest north" of the branch, where more than 20 yeare ago Messns. Hughes D'Acth started change ringing in North Dorset, and where, during the last few years they have revived the local company, and been the generators of progress through the whole district.
All who had engagements that afternoon anywhere in the South of England will not have forgotten the weather, but in spite of this, a party turned up from Okeford and Shillingstone about 2.30 and after raising the bells in peal, set them going to Grandsire and Stedman for over an hour, till a second party arrived from "furthest south," and changed the tune to Plain Bob and Kent.
At 4.15 thero was festal evensong, fully choral, commenoing with a processional hymn, a bell anthem having had unfortunately to bo abandoned owing to the illuess of some of the choir. In spite of his years, the Rector, the Rev. W. C. Hughes D'Acth sang the service, and gave a stirring and vigorous address on the words: "Not slotiful in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord.'
After service the party were sumptuously entertained in the Parısh Room by Mrs. Hughes DiAeth, and several ladies of the place. There were present the Rector, the Rev. F. Ll. Edwards (Kington Magna), Messrs. Hughes D'Aeth, Mr. A. D. Coles (Bridgwater), the Rev. C. A. Phillips, secretary, and members from Bournemouth, Buckhorn Weston, Durweston, Kington Magna, Okeford Fitzpaine, Poole, Shillingstone, Wimborne, etc. The chairman of the branch (the Rev. Canon Mansel Pleydell) and the Master of the Guild (Mr. A. F. Martin Stewart) had hoped to be there, but were unavoidably absent.-A very hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Rector and all his family, to the ladies, and to the choir for a most memorable weloome, service and entertanment.- Mr . Coles, in seconding, spoke especially of the refer ence in the Rector's address to the C.E.M.S.; and Mr. Hughes D'Aeth, in responding, expressed the wish that they would all come agan soon, only in greater numbers, an invitation which all present will look for ward to accepting as soon as it will be at all in order to hold another meeting at the same and so remote a centre, and will hope to find the Rector as hale and vigorous as on that Saturday.
After some courses of Bob Minor, Grandsire Triples, on handbells conducted by Mr. Townsend, the party broke up, most of the risitors driving back to Henstridge, where Preb. Firth had kindly put his bolls at their disposal, while the rest set to work to finish off the evening with some Cambridge Surprise and Oxford Treble Bob, and some good courses were brought round by: Messrs. A. E. Coles, C. C. D'Aeth, W. W. D'Aeth, Rev. F. Ll. Edwards, Messrs. A. Burn (Okeford Fitzpaine), C. Forfitt and C. W. Goodenough (Bournemouth), F. W Townsend (Poole). It is believed that this is the first time that any Surprise has been rung at a meeting of the Sarum Guild.

## DEVIZES BRANCTI.

A monthly meeting of the Derizes Branch was held at Erchfont, on Saturday, when there were present: The Rev. J. A. Sturton (Vicar of Saturday, when there were present: Tilney-Bassett (Rector of Beechingstoke), Rev. J. A. Haines (curate of Erchfont), Mr. H. Brownlee West (Devizes), Hon. Secretary, and ringing members from Great Cheverell, Southbroom, St. John's and St. Mary's, Devizes; Bishops Cannings, Market Lavington, Erchfont, Chirton, Westbury, and Beechingstoke.
Ringing took place in the tower during the afternoon and evening. Tea was served at the Nag's Head Inn, to which 24 members sat down. - A short business meeting was then held, presided over by the Rer. J. A. Sturton (chairman), who, on behalf of the Guild, expressed its great regret at the death of the Earl Nelson, the late President; also at the death of Mr. James Selfe, captain of the ringers at Pewsey, which took place on March 7th last.-Seven new members from Erlestoke, two from Southbroom, two from Great Cheverell, and one from St. John's, Devizes, were proposed, and duly elected members of the Guild.-A vote of thanks was unanimously given to the Rev. J. Hamlyn Hill, D.D., Vicar of Erchfont, for the use of the church bells; and a very successful meeting was brought to a close.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. BIGGLESWADE BRANCH MEETING.

A quarterly meeting of the Biggleswade Branch was held at Potton, on Saturday, whan a goodly number of members attended from Sandy, Everton, Old Warden, Bedford, St. Neot's, and the local tower- At the business meeting, the Rev. A. Shillito presided, and four members were elocted to serve on the gencral committee, viz., the Rev. B. H. T. Drake (Sandy), Mr. W. J. Mayes (Old Warden). Mr. A. O. Bailey (Potten). Mr. C. A. Pratt (Clifton).-A proposition was made by the Hon. Secretary (Mr. F. Blood) to hold a monthly practice of memberp, to promote eight-bell ringing at Biggleswade (providing permission can be obtained from the Vicar), on the first Monday in the month, so as not to interefere with the other practices.-A very pleasant time was spent by all the members. The Vicar kindly provided tea at the Vicarage for those attending, and at the close a hearty vote of thanks was passed to him for his kind hospitality, for the use of the bells, and for presiding at the meeting.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES' RECORD.

The committee of the Midland Counties Ascociation, in the annual report, have the gratifying statement to mako that the record of the Association in 1911 ( 158 peals) surpassed all previous ones, and that again in the year 1912 a fresh and substantially increased reoord is created by the achievement of 172 peals. Of these 29 were rung by the Burton district, 27 by the Leicester district, 27 by the Nottingham district, 23 by the Derby district, 15 by the Chesterfield district, 14 by the Birmingham branch, 11 by members of the Hinckley district, nine by members of the Loughborough district, and 17 by mixed bands. Excluding the mixed bands, 27 companies appear to have contributed peals, a number falling short by three of the record figures of 1911. But the difference, even in view of the larger total of peals, is not of sufficient importance to detract from the satisfaotion of the encouragingly wide distribution of the performances. The 6160 Oxford Treble Bob Royal (at Chesterfield) was the longest length in this method on ten bells by the Association. A fair number of peals of Superlative and Double Norwich Major had been scored. It was, perhaps, regrettable that only single peals had been rung in most of the other advanced methods. The number of hon. members was 37 against 40 in 1911; of ringing members 677 as againsi 686, and of life members 294 as against 279, making a total of 1,008 , as against 1,005 .

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. <br> BENEVOLENT FUND DISOUSSED.

On Saturday last, the members of the Manchester branch met at Eccles Parish Church. The meeting was very representative, including visitors from Bolton, Oldham, Macclesfield, etc.-Mr. J. Barratt, vice president, presided, and gave a hearty welcome to the ringers. He expressed the hope that a deep interest would be taken by the members of the Association in the affairs of the society. The question of a benevolent fund was discussed by several members present. - Mr. Burley Wallshaw, of the city police force, was clected a member of Whe Association.-A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar, wardens, and local ringers, for the use of the bells, ete. The following methods were rung during the day: Grandsire, Plain Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative.

## MR. RICHARD NEWTON'S DEPARTURE.

On Saturday week, at the Manchester Town Hall, an attempt was made to ring a peal of Stedman Caters to commemorato the pending retirement of Mr. Richard Newton from the Manchester police force, and his departure to Boston, U.S.A. Unfortunately, after 1 hr. 8 mins. good ringing, the peal came to grief
Afterwards, Mr. Newton entertained the band and some personal friends to tea. Subsequently Mr. S. Scott was elected to the chair, and moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Newton for his kind hospitality. He felt sure that all present would agree with him when he expressed sorrow that the peal had failed, and he was also sure those present were sorry they were about to lose Mr. Newton, who had won his way into the hearts of all ringers with whom he had come in contact. He assured him that he carried with him the good wishes of all his friends for his futire prosperity.
Mr: J. W. Washbrook, in seconding the resolution, said he fully agreed with all that Mr. Scott had said, and thought Mr. Newton would succeed. He had been a pioneer of good ringing since he became a ringer in the Manchester police force.
Mr. Alfred Barnes, who supported the motion, thanked Mr. Newton for having on several occasions invited him to take part in peals rung at the Town Hall. He had, however, always felt unable to accept, not because he did not appreciate the offers, but simply because the bells were too heavy. He assured them that he held Mr. Newton in high esteem, and he hoped ho would prosper in his now venture in Boston.
Mr. W. II. Idle also supported the resolution. He felt great pleasure in being present, and spoke of the great esteem in which Mr. Nenton was held by all ringers kuown to him in the Lancashire Association. He said he had known him personally for several years, and had had the pleasure of ringing several peals with him. Mr. Washbrook bit the nail on the head when he said that he was a pioneer of good ringing. His past work was sufficient evidence of that. With regard to his future career, he said he had great hopes of his success, for Mr. Newton had a stout heart, and was now undertaking what might daunt many a younger man. He wished him "God-speed," and hoped that they would often hear of him, either by letter or by means of the ringing papers.-The resolution was put, and carried with acclamation.
Mr. Newton, in response, thanked them one and all for their kind expressions and good wishes. It would be a source of great pleasure to him when abroad to think of the many friends at home and the many pleasant occasions on which he had met them. He would see to it that he kept in touch with them, and would always be glad to hear from any of them.

WHiTCHURCH, SALOP.-On Easter Day, for evening service, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: E. Barker 1, F. Ryder 2, Rev. J. S. D. Rider 3, T. Owen 4, W. Barrow 5, W. Hutchinson 6, T. Barrow (conductor) 7, H. Taylor 8.

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## IN THE WEALD OF KENT.

A very successful and enjoyable time was spent during Easter in the Weald of Kent by the following members of the Kent Association: Messrs. Frank Bennett, of London; R. J. Dawe (or "Bobs'), of Sussex; H. Blackwell (The Village Blacksmith), from Chelsfield; R. Edwards, A. Allen and C. Tribe, of Tenterden; F. G. Burden and A. Blackman, of Rolvenden; the Brothers E. and F. Lambert, of Horsmonden; C. W. Player, of Stone-in-Oxney; and W. H. Lambert ("The Earl of Benenden'). A start was made about 10.30 on Monday morning at Tenterden, and a good peal of Stedman Triples was successfully accomplished in 3 hrs. 14 mins. on this noble peal of bells. After a good sound huntsman's lunch and a rest, a move was made for Rolvenden, some on two wheels, others on four, and after a oup that cheers, etc., 'go'" was called, and the second peal of Stedman completed in 2 hrs . 52 mins. Then, with tender hands but glad hearts, all sought wellearned repose with orders for Beneden the next morning at 8 o'clock. Needless to say all turned up in good time, but an early service compelled the visitors to wait till 8.50 before commencing, and as there was another service at 11.30 , time was all too short to squeeze a peal in. However, nothing ventured nothing had, so "go" for Stedman was called. But as the saying goes, "Tis not the miles we travel, but the pace that tells," so it was in this case, for at the terrific pace they were going the first trip brought the bells in a lump, and so brought the peal to an abrupt termination. A touch of Treble Bob Major was then rung, and the bells lowered. After a look around the village the party dined with "the Earl" at Ye Old Manor House, and then off to Goudhurst for the last peal of the tour. After a stroll through the village and a sucoessful hunt for the smuggler's stone recorded in James' book, "The Smugglers," tea was enjoyed. The tower was then ascended, ropes adjusted, etc., and the third and last peal of Stedman of the tour was well rung in 3 hrs. 5 mins. It was the first peal of Stedman by two of the band, and terminated a most enjoyable tour in the Weald. The band wish to thank the clergy of the various churches for their kind permission to ring; Mr. C. Tribe, hon. district secretary of ihe Kent Association, for making all arrangements; and, above all, Mr. F. Bennett, the New Cross pilot, for so ably conducting them through the "booss" and" "singles" of the "River Stedman," and bringing them safe into port with such a slight loss of "cargo."

## A SUSSEX OUTING.

The Salehurst, Sussex, ringers held their annual outing on Easter Monday, when they visited Waldron and Dallington, accompanied by two members of the Battle company. Waldron was reached at 11.30 a.m. On the bells, a nice light ring of eight which "go" like tops, a touch of Grandsire Triples was tapped off to "ring in the bride," for there was a local wedding to be solemnised. Afterwards several touches were brought lound, the band taking their departure at 2.30 p.m. Dallington was reached, at 4.30 . Here is a splendid ring of six, which could easily be made tell a better tale in method ringing. The visitors were met by Messis. Johnson and Lovell, and several 120's were tapped off. The only "peal" tablet in the church is one bearing the date 1898, and recording a "peal of Doubles" called with three bobs and :six singles, and rung in six minutee.

The bells having been lowered, the ringers repaired to the Swan, where tea was partaken of, and subsequently there was a smoking concert arranged by Mr. Jook, and presided over by the churchwarden, Mr. J. Peploe. The toast of the evening, "The Salehurst and Battle Ringing Societies," was propoced by the Chairman, and Mr. Booth, responding on behalf of the Salehurst band, urged, as a native of Dallington, the necessity of the Dallington band becoming without delay affiliated to the Sussex Association. Unless they did this, he said, they could scarcely ever hope to make progess, or to make the ringing of such a nature as to arrest the attention of the younger men, who were constantly coming and going.

It had been said that they could get on if they had a leader like himself, but he would remind them that his knowledge was due to Mr. Franks, who had acted as instructor to the Salehurst band since they joincd the Association.-Mr. Franks responded on behalf of the Battle Society, and endorsed what Mr. Booth had said. He knew quite well that a feeling existed sometimes after a meeting that the ringing had been of a very poor nature, and that it held out little or no inducement for fresh bands to join, but he reminded his hearers that it was a mistake to take this view. Those who attended these meetings were not a selection of "crack" ringers, got together to exhibit their skill before a few locals, but a number -pf men who cams together for the benefit of one another, and to help forward those who were prepared to attempt a course or a touch of something that opportunity afforded. He looked forward with the greatest conficlence of seeing the Dallington branch affiliated to the Sussex Association. -Mr. Booth next proposed-the health of the Chairman, the toast being responded to by Churchwarden J. Peploc.

This is recorded as one of the best outings the society have experienced. The members who took part in the outing were: Messrs. T. Booth (captain), E. Mills, W. Hoad, J. Goodsell, C. Creasey, F. Morgan and Peacock (Salehurst), and Messrs. Franks and Thomas (Battle). The band regret the absence of Messrs. W. Cramp and W. Robinson, through indisposition. The ringers wish, through "The Ringing World," to thenk the Rev. W. J. Humble Crofts, Rector of Waldron, and the Rector of Dallington for the use of their bells.

## CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The Easter meeting was he'd at Whitby on Bank Holiday, and there was a good attendance of ringers from Robin Hood's Bay, Skelton, Maske, Middlesbrough, Stockton, Darlington, Shildon, Ormesby, Hemingbrough, and the local company Dinner was provided at Bottram's Cafe, the Rev. W. P. Wright, President, being in the chair, supported by Mr. George Alexander (vice-president), Mr. White (churchwarden), and the secretary (Mr. 'T. Metcalfe). The company numbered about. 40. After dinner, the usual toasts were duly honoured.

The President proposed that the best thanks of the Association bo given to Canon Austin and the churchwardens for the uso of their fine old peal of bells, nand coupled with it the name of Mr. White (churehwarden). He said he had a warm corner in his heart for the fine old town of W"hitby, for he had been accustomed to visit Whitby from his boyhood, and hodl spent many happy days there. He thanked the number of ringers that had turned up to make the meeting such a success.-The motion was seconded by Mr. Alexander, and cartied by acclamation.-Mr White, in responding, weleorned the Association to Whitby. He had, he said, found that the bell ringers were a fine lot of men, and the interest they took in their work was shown that day by the numbers that were present at the meeting.
Abnut a dozen new members wore elected, and good ringing was done during the day in various methods, including Bob Triples, Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent Major, Grandsire Caters, Bob Royal and Kent Royal. All present were quito satisfied with the suceess of the gathering.

## PRESENTATION

An interesting function took plane in St. Modwen's Church belfry, Burton-on-Tient, on the evening of Easter Day. Mr. W. J. Smith, who has been connected with the band for 29 years, and was leader for nearly half that period, was leaving the town, and his colleagues presented him with a handsome electro-plated tea pot, and a small purse of gold.-The Vicar, who was accompanied by the churchwardens and other friends, made the presentation. It may be mentioned that during his career, Mr. Smith has "pulled the ropes" at almost every church within a thirty miles radius of Burton. He leaves the town with the hearty good wishes of his comrades.

## STEEPLE KEEPER ELECTED COUNTY COUNCILLOR. <br> PRESENTATION AT MITCHAM.

At the conclusion of the weekly practice of the Mitchem Society, at the Parish Church, Mitcham, the members presented Mr. J. D. Drewett, the treasurer and steeple keeper of the society, with a handsome black marble inkstand, suitably inscribed, as a token of the high esteem in which he is held by his brother ringers, and a mark of appreciation of the many kindnesses shown towards them.-The presentation was made by Mr. Chas. Dean, late secretary of the Surrey Association, and an honorary member of the Mitcham Society, who expressed the great regard and friendship felt by the members for Mr. Drewett. - Mr. Drewett, in a most feeling reply, thanked the members for the unexpected pleasure. He said he should treasure the gift as long as he lived. What he had done had been a work of love, and as his father before him had done, he should always have at heart the true interests of the ringers and their proper recognition as church workers

Mr. Drewett has been connected with the Mitcham tower for the past thirty years, his late father having also been a ringer in tho same tower over sixfy years ago. Mr. J. D. Drewett occupies a place of high esteem among his fellow townsmen. He was chairman of the Croydon Buard of Guardians during the past year, and has recently been elected a member of the County Council.

## RINGERS IN CANADA. <br> NAMES AND ADDRESSES WANTED <br> To the Eiditor

Dear Sir,-No doubt some of the ringers in the Old Land know of brother ringers who are living in or around the cities of Toronto and Montreal. I should be very glad if I could get the names and addresses of some, at least, of these men. The only way this can be done is for friends at home to let me have this information, and I should be glad if they will send to me at this address.
As you will be aware we do not possess many bells in Canada, but we have $n$ fine peal of ten at Montreal, and it would bo quite a treat if we could get a band to go down there and have a pull together

I should esteer it a favour if you would make this known through your valuable paper. With best wishes, yours faithfully,
Wycliffe College, Toronto, Canada.
OLNEY, BUCKS.-On Easter Day, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: W. Jacques 1, B. Fisher 2, S. Smith 3, W. Freman 4, F. Boswell 5, R. Perkins 6.
ROWTJY REGIS, STAFFS-At the Parish Church, on Easter Das, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1260 changes), in 46 mins.: J. Brown 1, F. Willetts 2, T. Clarke 3, G. H. Detherikge 4, E. IIomer 5, II. Dowell 6, A. Timmins (conductor) 7, W. II. Detherdge

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

GRASNENDALE.-At St. Mary's Church, for evening service, on Jaster Day, 720 London Surprise: T. J. Morris 1, *T. Jennion 2, G. R. Newton 3, *E. Caunce 4, J. Turner 5, J. Allen (conductor) 6. * First 720 in the method.
CAVENDISH, SUFFOLK.-On Sunday, March 30th, 1913, in 1 hr . 5 mins., a diate jouch of Minor (1913 changes), being 108 Double Court, 365 Plain, 720 Woodbıne Treble Bob, and 720 Oxford Treble Bob: H. Thompson 1, A. Ives 2, W. Underwood (conductor) 3, J. Harrington 4, G. Rice 5, E. Perkins 6. Rung in honour of the christening of Ronald William Wallace Maddever, son and heir of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Maddever, of Wales End Farm, Cavendish, which took place on the above date at the Parish Church, Brockley, Suffolk.
HORSHAM, SUSSEX.-On Monday, March 24th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal, in 48 mins. : A. Greenfield I, P. H. Doick 2, R. Wood 3, J. Burdficld 4, L. Stilwell (conductor) 5, J. Cook 6, W. Stanford 7, J. Netley 8.
COLNE. LANCS. - On Easter Monday, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (Thurstan's), in 46 mins.: H. Wilson 1, *S. Lane 2, *James Foulde 3, A. Brooks 4, *H. Foulds 5, W. Mallinson 6, *R. Foulds (conductor) 7, *W. Heaton 8. * Longest length in the method, and on the bells.
BFACHAMPTON, BUCKS.-Oxford Guild.-On March 24th, 720 Grandsire Drubles, in 25 mins. : C. N. Aldermar 1, *J. Bennett 2, *F. Whiting 3, A. W. Alderman 4, *R. Linney (conducter) 5. First 720 by the looal band. The ringer of the treble is only in his 14th year. * First 720.

SUUNTHORPE, LINCS.-Lincoln Guild.-On Easter Monday mornling, an attempt was mads by St. John's Church Ringers' Guild to ring Vicars'six-part peal of Grandsire Triples, but it came to grief after 1 hr. 35 mins.: T'. H. Parker 1, O. H. Bird 2, T. P. Hockneil 3. J. E. Smilh 4, H. Oliver 5, N. Shoot (conductor) 6, G. Vamplew 7 H. Strickland 8.
PETERBOLQOUGH.-On Eastm Monday, at St. Mary's Church. 720 Donble Bob Minor; at the Cathedral, two six-scoıes of Grandsire Doubles; at St. John's, Grandsire an 1 Bob Major; at Glinton St. Benedict's, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor; touches on the handbells in the Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Major and Little Bob Major were rune by: J. W. Lake, A. Holmes, R. Richardson and G. Jutson. Others tiaking part in the day's ringing were: H. Traynor, E. Tilby, J. W. Jarvis, R. Rowel1, J. Jutson and 1 I . Beechey.

CELPSTEUNT.-Hertfordshire Association.-On March 16th, for morning eervice, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: D. Tucker 1, G. Andrews 2, F. Jelf 3, H. G. Rowe (composer) 4, H. Cornwell (conductor) 5, G. Maxim 6, H. Simmons 7, R. Smith 8.-On Easter Day, for morning service, 672 Grandsire Triples, conducted by H. G. Rowe. For evening service. a quarter-veal of Grandsire Triples ( 1260 changes) : D. Tucker 1, G. Andrews 2, $\bar{H}$. G. Rowe (composer and conductor) 3, G. Maxim 4, H. Cornwell 5, C. Dilley 6, H. Simmons 7, R. Smith 8 . After evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, conducted by H. Cornwell.

IStLAM.-Central Northants Association.-On Easter Sunday, 720 of Double Oxford Bob Minor: G. Valentine 1, E. M. Atkins 2, W. T. Wilson 3, A. E. Fourt 4, D. Mallett 5, G. A. Blarley (conductor) 6. This is the treble man's first attempt for a 720 , and the conductor's first altempt to call au extent in the method.
TENTERDEN. KENT.-On March 19th, at St. Mildred's Church, before a Confirmation service by the Bishop of Croydon, 336 Grandsire Triples: H. Baker 1, J. Manktelow 2, N. Tickner 3, C. Tribe 4, W. Sarage 5, A. Snelling 6, A. Allen 7, F. Gilbert 8. Also a 308 in the same method after the service by the same band. Also 336 before evening service and 168 before the evening service on Easter Day.
HATAESWORTH, SUFFOLK.-On March 11th, at the Parish Church, 774 Stedman Triples: H. Barton (conductor) 1, F. C. Lambert 2, C. Moss 3, A. Lee 4, A. H. Took 5, J. Howard 6, J. Larter 7, J. Jolly 8.
FORTHAMPTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.-On March 16th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1260 changes), in 43 mins. : II. Roles (conductor) 1, A. Newberry 2, A. Smith 3, F. Smith 4, F. Dutton 5, C. Strawford 6.

PLYMOUTH - At Charles' Church, on March 16th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Erin Caters (1245 changes): E. W. Marsh 1, W. G. Hiscor,t 2, W. Hornbrook 3, R. Hornbrook 4, R. Dobson 5, F. Hockaday 6. W. Richards 7, G. R. Stroud 8, W. D. James (conductor) 9, F. Purse 10.
REDHILL, SURREY.-On Easter Day, at St. John's Church, before oarly service, 420 Grandsire Triples: W. Pooley 1, W. Streeter 2, H. Jordan 3, A. Gear 4, F. Harman (conductor) 5, T. Streeter 6, O'Gilbey 7, H. Thwards 8 .-On March 27th, in 44 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: A. Streeter (first quarter) 1, W. Streeter 2, E. Horman 3, A. Gear 4, H. Edwards 5, T. Streeter (first quarter) 6, H. Card (conductor) 7, J. Dennis 8. First quarter-peal by an entirely local band.
BUGIRTON-ON-THE-HILL GLOUCESTER. - On March 31st, in 30 mins., 720 Grandsire Doubles: W. Fopkins 1, T. Haines 2, J. Younge 3, C. Harris 4, F. Walton (conductor) 5, J. Keyte (BlockIey) 6.

## RINGING BY DIAGRAM.

The figures at the side show the starting place of eachbell; the small lines intersecting the diagram mark the place where the treble crosses the path of the working bell, and the asterisks the place where the working bell dodges with the treble.


In addition to the asterisks shown above, there are dodging places with the treble in Wragby, in the second lead, after the whole pull in $5^{\text {th's, }}$, and, in the third lead, in $3-4$ down, and after the last whole pull on the front. In Willesden the dodging with the treble is, in the first lead, before the first whole pull on the front and the first dodge in 3-4 up; in the third lead before and after the whole pull in 5 th's, and, in the last lead, in 3-4 down, and after the last whole pull on the front.

## THE BOB WORK.

Wragby.-A, make 4th's and take up the work of the $4^{\text {th. }}$ B, continue dodging and take up the work of the 6th. C, dodge instead of lying a whole pull and take up. the work of the 5 th.

Willesden.-D, make 4 th's instead of dodging, and take up the work of the 4 th. E, run in, instead of dodging in 3-4, and dodge with the treble, taking up the work of the 2nd. F, run out instead of making 2 nd's, and take up the work of the 3 rd.

## NOTICES.

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THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch.-The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Leesfield Parish Church on Saturday, April I2th, 19I3. Bells ready at 3 o'clock, meeting at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome.-J. H. Bastow, Branch Sec., I3, Norman Street, North Moor, Oldham.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch.-A meeting will be held at Grassendale on Saturday, April rith. Bells ready at 4 . Tea at $5 \cdot 30$. Members intending being present please send word to Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Chew Deanery Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Portishead on Saturday, April 12 th. Bells available at 4.30. Tea at the Cafe, High Street, at 5.15. Meeting to follow.-George Yeo, Honorary Local Secretary.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Caerphilly on Saturday, April 12 th, at 4.30 - Rev. Connop L. Price, M.A., and John W. Jones, Honorary Secretaries.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bolton Branch.The next meetng will be held at Farnworth on Saturday, April 12th, at 6 o'clock. Meeting 7.30. - G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -Established 1637 .-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on April 15 th and 2gth; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 24th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 29th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the ${ }_{5} 5$ th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 22nd. Also at St. Mary's, Walthamstowt, on Saturdays. St. Magnus at 7.30, the others at 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Dorchester Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Dorchester, on Thursday, April 17th. Bells (8), also Fordington St. George's (6), available at 2.30 p.m. Unveiling of peal board (Cambridge Surprise) by Mrs. Coote (the Rector's wife) at 4 p.m. Tea in St. Peter's Institute, followed by business meeting, $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. ., serrice $5.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Address by Rev. H. C. Coote, M.A. All ringers heartily welcome.-C. H. Jennings, Honorary Secretary, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern Divi-sion.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Waldron on Saturday, April 19th. Bells opened at 3 o'clock, $\mathrm{t}^{\prime \prime}$ 5.30, by kind invitation of the Rector of Waldron. (the Rev. W. J. Humble-Crofts, M.A.). Members wishing to be present at tea must let me know by the 14th.-Geo. H. Howse, Kenilworth, Latimer Road, Eastbourne.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).-Southern District. -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, April rgth, at St. Mary's, Battersea; tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow; all ringers invited. - F. A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North Western Divi--sion.-A meeting will be held at Saffron on Saturday, Apri1

19th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Business meeting in the Parish Room at 5.30 p.m.-William Watts, Dis. trict Secretary, Mont House Cottage, Stansted, Essex.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting will be held at East Retford on Saturday, April 19th. The bells at East Retford (io) and Ordsall (6) will be open for ringing during the afternoon and even. ing. Tea at 5 p.m. at Howard's Restaurant, free to members, non-residents is., and to others is. 3d. per head. A hearty welcome will be given to members of kindred associations.-H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The quarterly meeting will be held at Whittle-le-Woods on April 19th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 5.30 . All ringers welcome.-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-dale.

ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY, SHEFFIELD. - The next meeting of the above society will be held at St. Maries (R.C.), Sheffield, on Saturday, April 19th, 1913. Tower open at 4 p.m. -- J. Evinson, 9r, Clarence Street, Sheffield.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District. -An interim meeting of the above will be held at Woodchurch on Saturday, April igth. Bells available at 40 oclock. -C. Tribe, Honorary District Secretary, British School Villas, Tenterden.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).-The quarterly meeting of the association will be held on Monday, April 215 st , at St. Boltoph's, Bishopsgate, E.C. Tower open from $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to 9 p.m. Business meeting at 9.15 at the Citizen, Houndsditch, E.C. All ringers welcome. - F. J. Hardy, Honorary General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.- North and East District.-The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Hornsey, on Saturday, April z6th, by kind permission of the Rector (Rev. B. Spink). Bells available from 3.30. Short service at 5.15, to which all ringers are earnestly invited. Tea in St. Mary's Hall, Brook Road, at 6 o'clock, 6 d . each. All members and friends welcome.-C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - South and West District.--The next meeting will be held at Putney on Saturday, April 26th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea at 6 at a smail charge.-H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -The next quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints', West Ham, on Saturday, April 26th. Tower open at 3.30. Tea in the Mission Hall at 5.30, at 8d. each, to those who notify me by the 24th. The practice at St. Martin's on Saturday next, April 12th, is postponed.-F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary, 3, Hart's, Lane New Cross, S.E.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-A quarterly meeting will be held at Solihull on Saturday, April 26th. Bells (10) available from 3.30. Tea at Mason's Arms Hotel, 5.30 , 9d. per head, followed by business meeting. - A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, II, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD. - The annual meeting of the above Guild will be held at Dudley on Saturday, April 26 th. Bells available at 3.30. Service in church at 5 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. A. Gray Maitland (President), with an address by the Rev. J. A. Price, M.A., Vicar of Coseley. A free tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than Wednesday, April ${ }_{23}$ rd. Business meeting afterwards. Subscriptions are due at this meeting. - Herbert Sheppard, Honorary Secretary, 66, Himley Road, Dudley.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham District.-The next quarterly meeting of this district will be held at Chislehurst on Saturday, April 26th. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Service, with address by the Rev. J. E. Dawson (Rector), at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. Will those who intend to be present for tea please send me word not later than Tuesday, April 22nd? All outstanding subscriptions should be paid now, so that a true report can be read at the annual meeting.-T. Groombridge, Honorary District Secretary, 34, Adelaide Road. Chislehurst.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Chippenham on Saturday, April 26 th. Time of service and meeting will be published next week.-W. A. Cave, Honorary Secretary, io, Lilymead Avenue, Knowle, Bristol.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - A quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Erdington, on Saturday, April 26th. Bells (8) available from 3.30 p.m. Tea will be arranged if sufficient members let me know by April 2rst. - Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.

GRAND PRIZE RINGING CONTEST, at St. John's Church, Kirkheaton, near Huddersfield, on Whit-Tuesday, May 13 th, when prizes to the value of $£$ I 7 I7s. will be given. For further particulars apply to Frank Hardy, Haigh's Buildings, Lepton, near Huddersfield.

CHANGE OF ADDRESSES.-Mr. G. N. Price has removed to 26, Malden Road, Watford. - Mr. E. M. Atkins' address is now 27, Headstone Road, Harrow.

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The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried out by you bas proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F. T. BECK,

Architect, Diocesan Survayor.

## PEAL POINTS AND THE ANALYSIS.

The approach of the Central Council meeting is heralded by the appearance in our columns this week of the first of the reports of its committees. So far as the Exercise at large is concerned these reports, dealing as they do with the peals analysis and the knotty question of peal points, are those in which the general interest will be by no means the least. It will be observed that the report on the peals analysis section does not include on this occasion the customary tabulated statement with regard to the peals rung. The explanation of this is the exceptional circumstances detailed in the reports, which in the opinion of the Analyses Committee make it desirable that the analysis itself should be withheld until after the meeting of the Council, to whose consideration they think it should be submitted prior to its publication.

The exceptional circumstances are that the committee have had to shoulder a kind of dual responsibility, for it will be remembered that the Council, at the last meeting, handed over to them the duties of the Peal Points Committee. They have had to go very deeply into the thorny question of points, and, having found it necessary to readjust somewhat the scale laid down by the Council for six bell peals, did not, we suppose, like to publish their statistics until their action had been approved by the higher body. And even so, it is proposed to issue the analyses with the societies arranged in alphabetical order, in consequence of the difficulty of combining the scale for peals on seven bells and upwards, with that adopted by the Council for Minor.

It is impossible, we believe, for the question of peal points to be settled to the satisfaction of everybody; but those who consider with an open mind the report of the committee, which we publish to-day, must be impressed by the splendid effort which the committee have obviously made to solve a problem far more complicated than the ordinary ringer has, probably, ever imagined. They have endearoured to grapple with the subject from a practical standpoint, as evidenced by the fact that they have called into counsel experienced conductors. They have classified the methods very largely from their real intricacy for ringing-we are not going to quarrel here with the inclusion of a method like Forward in the same class as Sted-man-they have done away with many anomalies, and they have certainly gone a real step forward in accurately gauging the relative merits of peals of Minor and those on higher numbers. The report is a fine testimony to the trouble to which the four gentlemen, who have signed the reports, must have been put and the pains which they must have taken to arrive at a result which may be generally acceptable to the Exercise.

# CHARLES CARR, 



OPINION OF OUR MODERN WORK.

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Dear Sirs,
I bave great pleasure in stating that weare perfectly satisfied with the manner in which you have cririad aut the work entrusted to you of re-arranging and re-hanging Ete Broomfeld Church Bells.
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Yours truly,
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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

## OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE, TEIE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Forty-one Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF StEDMAN GINQUES, 5007 CHANGES; Tenor 32 cwt .
George Holmes ... ...Treble | George O. Dixon ... ... 7
Sam Thomas ... ... ... 2 Harry Chapman ..... .8 William Burgar ... ... 3 Joseph Ridyard ... ... 9 Benjamin Gill... ... ... 4 Henry W. Wilde ... ... io *Ernest J. Oliver ... ... 5 S Samuel Booth... ... ... it John Holman... ... ... 6 Richard Newton ... ...Tenor Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and Conducted by Sam Thomas.

* First peal of Stedman Cinques. First peal of Stedman Cinques on the bells, this being one of the " parting peals" arranged for Mr Newton before he sails for the West, all the ringers wishing him prosperity in his new sphere of activity.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

BRISTOL.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Tuesday, April 8. 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Stephen the Martyr.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GATERS, 5043 CHANGES;


Composed by George T. Daltry, and Conducted by John A. Burford.

* First peal of Stedman.


## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minuter. At the Church of St. Mary, Walthamstow,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS, 5003 CHANGES; Tenor $19 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| * Arthlir Hughes ... ...Treble | James C. Adams ... ... 6 |
| :---: | :---: |
| - Wilby J. Hazell ... ... 2 | *John H. Benstead ... ... 7 |
| Albert A. Hughes... ... 3 | Henry J. Mayciard |
| *Gborge Paice ... ... ... 4 | Fred C. Maynard ... |
| John H. B. Hesse... ... 5 | Alfred Chapman ... ...Tenor |
| Composed by Rober Conducted by F | Maynard, Junr., and ed C. Maynard. |
| * First peal of Grandsire Cater aughter to the composer. | Rung in honour of the |

MELTON MOWBRAY, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 住 cwt.
Louis E. Allen... Arthor S. Pettit. ...Treble T. Leonard Allen $\cdots \cdots \begin{array}{llll}\cdots & \cdots & 3\end{array}$
 Alfred J. Hessian ... ... 4 Josiah Morris ... ... ... 9 Richard H. Bartram ... 5 James George ... ... ... Tenor Composed and Conducted by Frederick H. Dexter.
This peal, which was rung as a birthday compliment to R. H. Bartram, was the first in the method on the bells. The band would like to take this opportunity of thanking Mr , and Mrs. Bartram for their kind hospitality after the peal, a pleasant hour being spent.

LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Thvee Hours and Thivty Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6076 CHANGES; Tenor 36 cwt.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

SHIFNAL.
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.
On Thursday, March 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

 Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by E. W. Hyde.

* First peal as conductor. Rung by the local band, with the bells muffled, as a mark of respect to the late Bishop of Lichfield, who died on March I5th.


## APPLEDORE, DEVON.

THE ST. SIDWELL'S SOCIETY, EXETER.
On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Holts' Ten-Part.

Tom George Bartlett ...Tveble Edmund Sargent ... ... 5 Arthor W. Searle ... ... 2 Edwin Shepherd ... ... 6 $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Charles Carter } & \ldots & . . . & 3 & \text { William Richardson } \\ \text {... } & 7 \\ \text { George Betts ... } & . . & . . \text { Tenoy }\end{array}$ Alfred Monkley conducted by A. W. W. Searle.

First peal on the bells.

## LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (Late the St. Jaines' Society.)
On Tuesday, April 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney,

A PEAL OF BOB PAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 20 cwt .
 Composed by F. A. Holden, and Conducted by Aifred W. Grimes.

* First peal of Major.

BUSHEY, HERTS.
THE HEIRTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Tuesday, Appil S, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Chorch of St. James,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 GHANGES; Tenor I3 cwt.

| Francis A. Smith | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | William I. Oakley | $\ldots$ | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Richard Darlow | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Bertram Prewett | $\cdots$ | 6 | | Richard Darlow ... | 2 | Bertram Prewett... .... | 6 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| *Walter S. Inwood... | ... | 3 | Maurice F. R. Hibbert | 7 | | Thomas R. Scott | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | ... | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Rebert E. Stavert | ...Tenor |  |  |  | Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by Francis A. Smith.

*First peal in the method. Rung as a compliment to Miss E. E. Atkins and Mr. B. Barton on the occasion of their wedding.

WOOLTON, LANCASHIRE THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, April 8, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STEDAAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Sir A. P. Heywood's Variation of Thurstans'. Tenor 20 cwt., in E.


* First attempt for a peal of Stedman.


## PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, April 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-thvee Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Vicars' Six-Part.


## EDENBRIDGE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Weduesday, April 9. 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF STEDifan TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor I $4 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

 | Richard Jenner... | .. | ... | 3 | John W. Steddy | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| James Heasman ... | ... | ... | 4 | 7 |  |
| Edward Leigh... | .. | ...$T e n o r$ |  |  |  | Conducted by John W. Steddy.

HELMSHORE, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

## At the Church of St. Thomas,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

 Tenor io cwt.John H. Entwistle ... ...Treble Thonas P. Brandwood... 5
Thomas Foster ... ... ... 2 Robert Wallwork... ... 6
John McWilton... ... ... 3 Thomas Wallwork ... 7 Joseph Woods ... ... ... 4 James H. Banks ... ... Tenor Composed by J. W. Washbroor, and Conducted by James H. Banks.
Rung with the bells muffled as a token of respect for the late Mr. Henry James Steff, who had been a ringer at the above Church for about 30 years, and who died on April 9th, and was buried on the 12th at the above Church.

## BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

 THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.(Shefrield District Society.)
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Tivo Minutes, At the Church of SS. Mary and Lawrence,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES:
Tenor $I_{4} \frac{3}{x} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Arthur Knights ... ...Treble $\cdot$ George W. Bemrose ... 5
*Harry Greaves...
Herbert Day ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ *Alfred C. Wright... ... 7
Charles Mason ... ... 4 John Flint ... ... .... Tenor
Composed and Conducted by Arthur Kinights.

* First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the golden wedding of Prebendary Webb-Peploe, Rector of St. Peter's, Onslow Square, and father of the Vicar of Bolsover.

PADIHAM, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Blackbern Branch.)
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Three Hoars and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 ChANGES;
Tenor 15 cwt 3 qr .

| *Thomas Wilson | ...Treble | Arthor Tomlinson... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tom Redman ... | ... ... | William E. Wilson |
| John Bentley ... | ... ... 3 | Wililam Mallinson |
| John P. Foolds | ... ... 4 | John Watson ... ... ...Tenor |

Composed and Conducted by W. Mallinson.

* First peal in the method.


## HURST, BERIS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Nicholas,
a PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SUBPRISE MAJOR, 5152 GHANGES; Tenor 14 cwt .
 Composed by J. J. Parker, and Gonducted by George Martin.

* First Surprise peal. First Surprise peal on the bells.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Three Honrs and Five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL of stedman triples, 5040 Chances;
Thorstans' Four-Part.
Henry Stalham.
Georee H. Howse

| $\begin{array}{ccc} \ldots . & . . T r e b l e \\ \ldots & \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots & \ldots & 3 \\ \ldots & . . & 4 \end{array}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: |
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|  |  |

Conducted by Keith Hart.
WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Two Howrs and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Ceurch of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor i2 cwt.
*Edward Hortin
Edward J. Stafford Edgar Marlow †Charles Tyler

Treble |*Bert Horton 2 EdGar T. Smith $\quad \cdots . . . . .96$

| 3 | Christopher Wallater |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4 | John C. Adams... | .. | ... Tenor |

Composed by J. R. Pritceard, and
Conducted by Christopher Wallater.

* First peal of Major. † First peal of Major with a bob bell. J. C. Adams and E. J. Stafford hail from Bloxwich, E. T. Smith from Walsall, and E. Marlow, C. Tyler and B. Horton from Wood Green. E. Hortin and C. Wallater are members of the local band.

HANDSWORTH, BIRMINGHAM.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifiy-eight Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor i2 cwt., in F sharp.


HORRINGER, SUFFOLK.
THF ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. JAMES SOCIETY, BURY ST. EDMUNDS.
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifiy-eight Minutes. At the Church of St. Leonard,
a Peal of kent treble bob major, 5184 Ghanges ;
Tenor 9 cwt . o qr. 3 lbs ., in A flat.
 Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by Arthur E. Moore.
Mr. H. R. Moore was re-elected a member previous to starting for the peal. This is the first peal on the bells since being rehung and trebles added by Messrs. G. Day \& Sons, of Eye, the "go" of the bells being all that can possibly be desired.

## SHEPTON MALLET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturiday, April 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Padl,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Variation of Hollis's Five-Part. Fred T. Speed... ... .... 4 - Barry J. Webb... ... ...Temor Conducted by G. Chamberlain.
*First peal. † First peal with a bob bell. First peal in the method on the bells.

## HORNCHURCH, ESSEX

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES; Tenor 19현 cwt.
Edward T. Wigg ... ...Treble Reuben Sanders ... ... 5

 Arthur J. Neale ... ... 4 Williamp Pye ... ...... Temor Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by William Pye.

* First peal in the method. Rung on the 4th anniversary of the 18,027 Stedman Caters.


## SIX \& FIVE BELL PEALS.

BRETFORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
On Sulday, April 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Pabish Church,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

*Hevry Morton... ... ...Treble Fravk Cook | Harry Middleton... | $\cdots$ | 2 | †James Adis |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frederick Johnson... | $\cdots$ | 3 | †Frank Moss | $\qquad$

$\begin{array}{cccc}\cdots & \cdots & . . & 4 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 5 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \text { Tenor }\end{array}$ Conducted by F. Moss.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal in the method. First peal as conductor.


## DOVER, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, April 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Church of St. James,

## a peal of bob minor, 5040 changes;

Being seven 72o's each called differently. Tenor 16 cwt . $\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Richard } & \text { H. Stevens... } & \ldots \text { Treble } & \text { Herbert C. Saywell } & \text {... } & 4\end{array}$ William J. Sheaff ..... .2
$\begin{array}{ccc}\text { Saywell } & . . & 4 \\ \text {... } & \text {... } & \text {... } \\ 5\end{array}$ William E. Pitman.... ... 3 Charles Turner $\quad . .$. Conducted by Charles Turner.
These are steel bells, and are rather difficult to control, there being a long pull and no rope guides. There is only one previous $5040^{\circ}$ recorded on them which was rung on June 6th, 1888 . The peal, on Monday, was rung on the 65th birthday of his grace the Archbishop of Canterbury.

## STOKE POGES, BUCKS

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, April 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Each 720 called differently. Tenor $33 \frac{3}{2}$ cwt.
Joseph J. Parker ... ...Treble | Edmond Garbett ... ... 4 Alfred Bateman ... ... 2 William J. Bateman ... 5 William Henley ... ... 3 John L. Bateman ... ...Tenor Conducted by William Henley.
First peal as conductor, and first peal on the new bells. Rung as a farewell to Mr. E. H. Parry, who has been churchwarden of Stoke Poges Church for 30 years, and is leaving the place; also as a farewell to E. Garbett who is leaving Stoke Poges for Seaford.

RICKINGHALL, SUFFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, April 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirity Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

| Edgar Bailey | ... ...Treble | Arthir Blyth. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Charles Bailey | ... 2 | Grorge Bailey | ... 5 |
| Charles Chenery | 3 | Arthor Bailey | Tenor |

First peal in seven methods by the local company.
EMBERTON, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(North Bjcks Branch)
On Saturday, Apoil 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-six Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MIHOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridte Surprise, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Pleasure, Violet, New London and Oxford Treble Bob.
$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}\text { *H. W. Richardson ... } & \text {...Tyeble } & \text { E. G. Mynard... } & \text {... } & . . . & 4 \\ \text { F. W. Booth } & \text {... } & \ldots & \ldots . & 2 & \text { F. J. Mynard... } & . . & \ldots & 5\end{array}$

| F. W. Booth ... | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | 2 | F. J. Mynard ... | ... | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| G. H. F. West | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | E. S. Mynard ... | ... | ...Tenor |

Conducted by F. J. Mynard.

* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to H. W. Richardson.

LULLINGTON. DERBYSHIRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Tüo Hours and Fifty nine Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's, Double and Single Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor I4 cwt.
Frank Shepherd ... . Tieble John H. Swinfield ... 4 William W. Worthington 2 John Hough ... ... ... 5 Herbert Hurdman ... ... 3 Albert P. Wakley... ...Tenor Conducted by John Hough.
This is the first peal on the bells.

## NORBURY, CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. (Bowdon and Stockport Branch.)
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGES ;

Being 720 each of Islington, Neasden, College Bob IV, Wragby, Sandal Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure and Kingston.

Tenor 9 cwt .
Harold Hallworth... ...Tveble Herbert Willianson ... 4 William Fernley $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ James Fernley ...` ... 5 Harry Langley ... ... ... 3 John W. Hartley ... ...Tenor

Conducted by James Fernley.
Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Miss Dorothy Bagshaw Carver, of Norbury, to Lieut. Robinson, R.N., at Brompton on the same day.

HUGLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Bramch.)
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John,
A PEAL OF DOUbles, 5040 Chances;
Being iz Six-scores of Plain Bob and 30 of Grandsire.
Tenor 9 cwt .
Fred Molineadx ... ...Treble John Barber, Sent. ... 4 George Popnell ... ... 2 Charles Sheriff ... ... 5 Joseph Sheriff ... ... ... 3 John Barber, Junr. ...Tenor

Conducted by Charles Sheriff.
J. Sheriff was proposed a member before starting.

## WICKAM ST. PAUL'S, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, April 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,
At the Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHAHGES;
Being I2 Six-Scores each of Grandsire, St. Simon's and Plain Bob, and 6 Six-Scores of Canterbury Pleasure. Tencr $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in B. Ernest Pearson ... ...Tveble William Wiffen ... ... 3 Alfred Ives ... ... ... 2 Olave Broyd ... ... ... 4 Albert Catterwell ... Tenor Conducted by Olave Broyd.
First peal of Doubles for all and rung at the first attempt. First peal ever rung on the bells. The ringers of the and and ard belong to Pentlow, Essex, and were elected members previous to attempting a peal of Bob Major at Belchamp Walter, on Saturday, April i2th.

LEIGH, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (Glodcester Branch.)
On Sunday, April 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Catherine,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently, Tenor 21坔 cwt ., in E .
*Joseph Pugh ... ... ...Treble *Walter Yeend ... ... 4 Charles L. Sadler... ... 2 *Charles W. Dyson ... 5 Ex-Sergt. J. Williams... 3 Joseph T. Dyke ... ...Tenoy Conducted by J. T. Dyke.

* First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells, and rung for evensong. After the peal the band were kindly entertained to tea by Mr. C. W. Dyson.

CHISHALL, CAMBS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Barley Society.)
On Monday, April 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Swithin,

## A PEAL OF doubles 5040 Ghanges;

Being io Six-Scores of Oxford Singles, 20 of Grandsire, and r2 of Plain Bob. Tenor it cwt. o qr. I2 lbs.
William Peachey ... ...Tyeble Robert Howard ... ... 3 Harry Howard ... ..... .2 Walter Mansfield ... 4 Robert G. King ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Robert Howard.
R. G. King hails from Royston. First peal upon the bells. The band wish to thank the Vicar, the Rev. J. C. Griffiths, for the use of the bells.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

ENFIELD
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, April 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Eleven Minutes, At 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park,

## a Peal of hittle bob major. 5024 Ghanges;

Wilby J. Hazell... ... i--2 E. Maurice Atinis ... 5-6 Miss Edith K. Parker 3-4 James Parker... ... ... 7-8 Composed and Conducted by E. M. Atkins. Umpire: Walter J. Bowden.
First peal in the method by all except the conductor, and first in the method by the Association.

VENTNOR, ISLE OF WIGHT
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, April 9, 1913, in Two Hours, At "Southcliff,"
A PEAL OF EOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
*Cyril G. Petchey ... i-2 | William D. James ... 3-4 J. Bruce Williamson ... 5-6 Conducted by William D. James.
Umpire: Miss N. Williamson.

* First peal. This is believed to be the first handbell peal on the island.

SHEFFIELD.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, April 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At 3i, Burgess Street,
A PEAL of CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANCES;
William J. Thyng... ... i-2 | Sidney F. Palmer ... 5-6 Clement Glenn...$\quad$... $3-4$ John Thorpe......$\quad$... $7-8$ Albert C. Fearnley ... 9-io
Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by Clement Glenn. Umpire: R. Wilfred Collier.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, April 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes, At the Residence of A. H. Pulling,

## a peal of grandsire triples, 5040 Changes;

## Holt's Original.

Charles Hazelden ... 1 - $2{ }^{*}$ John S. Goldsmith ... 5-6 Alfred H. Polling ... 3-4 Bernard Clark ... ... 7 - 8 Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.

* First peal of Grandsire on handbells. Rung to commemorate the 20th anniversary of J. S. Goldsmith's first peal, rung on April 8th, 1893.

> ENFIELD.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Thursduy, April 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,
At 97. Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park,
a peal of kent treble bob royal, 5000 chances;
 †John Thomas... *Wil.... J. ${ }^{3-4}{ }^{4}$
E. Maurice Atkins

Conducted by E. M. Atrins.
Umpire: James Parker.
*First peal in the method. † First peal in the method in hand.

## LONDON

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, April 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At George IV., Brenswick Street, Haggerston,
a peal of stedman cinques, 5007 changes;
George R. Pye. ... ... i-2 $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll}\text { Ernest Pye ... ... ... } & 7-8\end{array}\right.$ William Shepherd $. . . \quad 3-4$ William Pye $\quad . .$. Bertram Prewett... ... 5-6 Alfred W. Grimes ... it-r2 Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and Conducted by William Pye.
Umpire: T. King.
Witness: J. Barry.
This composition is now rung for the first time.
HARWICH, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, April 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Four Minutes, At the Residence of Mr. A. T. Morris,
A PEAL OF KENT treble bob major, 5088 changes;

Arthur T. Morris George Thompson ... I-2 .. ... 3-4 Composed by G.
Conducted by A.

Thomas H. Bernard ... 5-6
Tower Taylor $\quad . . \quad$... $\quad$ 7-- 8

## Late peals.

## BARKING.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5600 CHANGES; Tenor $22 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

| Ernest G. Fenn | ... ...Treble | Caleb Fenn ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alfred B. Peck | ... ... 2 | Ebenezer Andrews |
| Albert C. Hardy | 3 | James E. Davis . |
| Thomas Faulkner | ... 4 | Alfred W. Grimes |

Composed by C. Middleton, and Conducted by Thomas Fadliner.
Rung as a birthday honour to the conductor.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, April 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At Christ Church, Cubitt Town,
a Peal of crandsire triples, 5040 change ;
Holt's Original.
Willyam A. Donaldson ...Treble
Thomas Cranfield ... ... 2
Reuben Sanders ... ... 3
Isaac G. Shade ... ... ... 4
Conducted by Edwin Barnett, Senr.

## HARBORNE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATIOH. (Northern Branch.)
On Monday, April 14, 1913, in Two Honrs and Forty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part
*Ernest Boylin... ... ...Tyeble Allan J. Cartwright ... 5
J. Herbert Benfield ... 2 Samuel Grove... ... ... 6 †William H. Keys ... ... 3 George Pigott ... ... 7 John E. Eaton... ... ... 4 "William Dowler ... ...Tenoy Conducted by George Pigotr.

* First peal. + First peal in the method away from the treble The band wish to thank Mr. H. Grosvenor for the use of the bells.


## DIVISION OF COUNTY AREAS.

 To the Editor.Sir,-Your remarks on this subject in last week's issue are borne out by the experience of the Essex Association. Some years ago, while I was Master, we carried out a division of the county area into four districts, each with a local Mastw and secretary, and with periodical district meetings so arranged that, as far as possible, there should be a meeting somewhere or other every month; each district to manage its own finances under the general supervision of the offers of the Association. This experiment in a modified form of "Home Rule" has fully answered our expectations. It bas stimulated local interest, and benefited the finances of the Association; and it has given to leading ringers in different parts of the county the welcome feeling that they are, to a large extent, managing their own affairs, instead of dopending entirely on central management.
As to Devon, the conditions there are peculiar. The prevalence of round and call change ringing in those parts is not due so much to benighted ignorance as to long tradition and honest conviction that theirs is the better way. Devonshire ringers of the old school are (or used to be) very particular about good striking. I have heard them raise and fall the bells in a style that no Londoner, and not many others, can approach or surpass; and I have sometimes thought, on returning from a visit to the West Country, that it was a pity that in London and the home counties so little attention is paid to this phase of the ringers' art, as an excellent test of skill within the tower, and very pleasing to the ear outside it.
There seems to be a disposition now to consider the public ear in the matter of peal ringing. Is it rank heresy to suggest that wellstruck call changes preeeded and followed by really good raising and falling may sometimes-e.g., before a Sunday service-be more pleasing than a bout of halting or irrogular change ringing? In master hands, of course, thero is no doubt which is the better way: but what proportion do such bear to the whole body of change ringers?- Yours faithfully,
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Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on May 11th 1912.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association, June 1st.
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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

## MR. RICHARD NEWTON, OF MANCHESTER.

One of Manchester's best known ringers, Mr. Richard Newton, is shortly leaving these shores for Boston, U.S.A., and several farewell peals have been arrangedtwo have already been rung-in the district where he is so justly esteemed. On Tuesday last he retired from the Manchester City Police, in which he has served for over 27 years, having joined the force on October 26 th, 1885 , and he takes with him across the ocean the best wishes not only of his large circle of ringing friends, but also of his comrades in the force in which he served so long and so well. He has been presented by the members of his division with a handsome striking clock, with Westminster chimes, as a token of regard, upon his retirement.

Mr. Newton was born at Norton, Stockton-on-Tees, on February i4th, i864, and very early in life went to work at the blast furnaces there and at Middlesbrough. At the age of 2 I , however, he migrated to Manchester, where he


Mr. Richard Newton.
joined the police, and, through them, took up ringing, for he became a member of the Town Hall ringers, which consists exclusively of members of the City force, in r89i. For a few years the band was content with call changes, but with a change of conductors in 1898 change ringing was taken up. In that year Mr. Newton rang the tenor to a peal of Grandsire Caters at Manchester Cathedral, and afterwards got an introduction to Messrs. Harry Chapman, A. E. Wreaks and others at Pendleton, where he learnt the mysteries of Treble Bob and Stedman. His first peal away from home was at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, where he rang the ninth in Grandsire Caters, under the conductorship of Mr. Robert Maynard, junr. Then followed peals of Stedman and Kent Treble Bob, the first in the latter method being with Mr. J. H. Blakiston at Middlesbrough.

Mr. Newton is one of the " heavy end" men, and probably his best performance in this respect was when he rang Manchester lown Hall tenor ( 52 cwts.) to a very fine peal of Stedman Triples-a performance which requires a good deal of beating. Some seven years ago the Town Hall ringers nearly scored the first policemen's peal, a peal of Grandsire Triples at St. John's, Deansgate, Manchester, being lost in the last 500 of Holt's ten-part. Lack of opportunity to meet for another attempt resulted in having to let the laurels go to Mr. Cornelius Charge and his brother P.C.'s of the Metropolitan force. There is great difficulty in policemen meeting for peals on account of duties, but Mr. Newton always made the most of his oppor. tunities, and has taken part in 82 peals, although his ambition to ring an inside bell in Stedman Caters and Cinques does not now seem likely to be achieved. The opportunity of ringing a peal of Cinques seemed likely last Saturday, at Oldham, but, owing to the ringer who intended starting on the tenor not feeling fit, Mr. Newton volunteered for the job, and happily saw the completion of the peal. Mr. Newton's 82 peals include Treble Ten at Manchester Town Hall, to which he rang the gth, and they have been rung in 3 I towers in eight counties.

Grandsire Triples
I 2
Grandsire Caters ............... 7
Crandsire Cinques ................ 2
Bob Triples ..................... I
Bob Major ....................... 3
Kent Treble Bob Major ...... 26
Kent Treble Bob Royal ...... 4
Kent Treble Bob Maximus ... 3
Stedman Triples ............... IS
Stedman Caters ............... 3
Stedman Cinques ............... 3
Total ................... S2

## ODD CHANGES.

The Rev. C. C. Cox, honorary secretary, draws the attention of members of the Warwickshire Guild to the alteration which has had to be made in the place of the next quarterly meeting. The Guild is unable to have the use of the bells at Erdington on the 26 th inst., and Canon Barnard has kindly offered a welcome to Sutton Coldfield. All the other arrangements will stand.

The subscription list opened for the benefit of Mr. J. Brooks, of Walkden, will, we are requested to state, close at the end of this month.

The dedication of two new trebles at St. Leonard's Church, Horringer, Suffolk, took place on Monday week, and the first peal on the bells was rung on Saturday by the St. James' Society, Bury St. Edmunds. We hope to give a further report next weck.

One of the delegates to the next conference of the Manchester Unity of Oddfellows which is to be held at Scarborough in Whit-week, writes to know if any ringing is to be had in Yorkshire's premier watering place. We imagine there will be no difficulty. Scarborough has a band affiliated to the Yorkshire Association, and the local secretary is Mr. J. R. Barton, $7^{I}$, Caledonian Street, Scarborough.

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## REPORTS OF THE CENTRAL COUNCIL'S COMMITTEE.

## DIFFICULTTES OF ALLOTTING POINTS.

The following is the report of the Peal Analysis Committee, of the Central Council, usually appended to the Analysis of Peals. This year, owing to the exceptional circumstances detailed in the reports, published below, the committee are of opinion that the analysis itself should be withheld until after the meeting of the Council, to whose consideration they think that it should be submitted prior to its publication.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES.

## AN INTRICATE SUBJECT

The questions which have presented themselves to the Analysis Committee for solution this year have been of considerable number and magnitude, and we venture to hope that in the matter of points for peals, which was relegated to us at the last meeting of the Council, we have arrived at a workable result, if it cannot be looked upon as perfect.

The subject is so intricate that the result is hardly likely to be accepted at once by every member of the Exercise; but we can assure any who may be disposed to oriticise the details of our work, that we have spared no amount of labour since the last meeting of the Council, and have used every means at our disposal to arrive at a fair solution of a very difficult question, in which absolute mathematical accuracy is unattainable.
We feel strongly that any arrangement come to must be imperfect, as one of the most important factors in arriving at the real value of a peal, the personal equation, has of necessity to be ignored. To give an illustration. A peal of Bob Minor was rung on January 20th, in which we learn that it was the first peal by the first five ringers, and the first as conductor by the ringer of the tenor. Again on May 11th we notice a peal of Grancisire Triples, which was the first peal by the ringers of $1,2,3,4,5,8$, first as conductor by the ringer of the 6 th, and first peal by the local band. On December 28th, a peal of Bob Minor was the first peal by five of the band, and first peal with a bob bell by the other, while it was the conductor's first as conductor, and the first peal on the bells by the local band.
Such performances as these (and other instances might be given) are relatively of greater value really than peals in more intricate methods rung by bands of experienced ringers, who have, perhaps, been ringing one or more peals every week for a long period. But it is obviously impossible to take such circumstances into account. Points seem to bo necessary as a means of comparison, though we wish that some other method of comparing the results of the analysis could be found. We have accordingly endeavoured to apportion them as fairly as the circumstances will permit.

## ADJUSTMENT OF DIFFICULTIES

The steps taken, and the results arrived at with regard to points for "peals," and for" "performances" on six and five bells are presented separately. It only remains for us to say that the adjustment of the two scales, and the finding of a common denominator has been a matter of considerable difficulty. We trust that, in all the circumstances, the efforts we have made will meet with the approval of the Couricil and of the Exercise at large. We can only say that we have done our best in a very difficult matter.
The scale for Minor methods adopted last year gave seven points for seven 720's of Plain Bob, possibly the same 720 rung seven times, while seven points is the time-honoured allowance for a peal of Grandsire Triples. This is obriously unfair. We have, therefore, been compelied to adjust the standard of comparison either by marking up peals on seven bells and upwards, or by marking down those on six bells. Having regard to the fact that by ringing more than one Minor method the points very easily rise above the value of a peal of Grandsire Triples, we have come to the conclusion that the latter is the best solution of the difficulty. This is dealt with more fully in the separate report on the points for Minor and Doubles.
We have been in much uncertainty how to deal with Minor performances consisting of touches of less than 720 changes. One peal of "spliced" 720's was withdrawn because one 720 turned out to be false. In the case of the performances we are speaking of, no 720 at all was rung, and many changes must have been altogether omitted. While, therefore, we feel that these collections of touches in many different methods are great achievements, we do not consider our selves justified in allotting to them the full number of points.
Two peals of Minor have in the past year been tapped upon hand bells; but as they were not rung, and the bells were not "retained in hand," we are of opinion that the Council would not wish them to be included in the analysis. They were certainly marvellous, and merit a word of notice, but, if they were to be included, we could hardly omit peals tapped upon the piano or dulcimer, and it is clear that a line must be drawn somewhere. We are not at all certain that it would not even be better to place the handbell peals in a separate analysis.

The reports of peals sent to the ringing papers seem to have been more carefully written. The errors needing correction are fewer this yenr, in spite of the enormously increased number of peals which the analysis shows. May we once more urge upon those who send reports of peals to examine them oarefully when printed, and ask to have any errors corrected at once $P$. This would save the committee much time and labour in compiling the analysis.

## INTERESTING STATISTICS.

The numbers of those who rang their first peals on tower bells are curiously similar to those of last year. First peals were 609 in 1912, against 604 in 1911. First peals away from the tenor number 13, the same as last year, and the first with a bob bell are 70, against 74 the year before. Those who rang their first peal as conductor aro 89, as against 83. "First on the bells" were 79, since restoration, 27 since addition, 11 ; and "first by local band," 15.
Birthday peals show a large increase, totalling 248. Wredding peals numbered 80, including peals for six " golden weddings." Muffled peals were 95 , including two on Good Friday, and cight in commemoration of the "Titanic" disaster. There were 49 "farewell" peals, and 21 of "welcome"; 78 were rung for anniversaries, dedications, etc., and 20 on Royal birthdays and other public occasions. Quarterly association peals were 14. Members of the C.E.M.S. rang four peals, friendly societies two, while clergy, police, market gardeners and the ladies rang one each. One peal was rung to commemorate the opening of a clrinking fountain, and another as a compliment to the churchwardens fur providing a new set of bell ropes! We can imagine many other bands of ringers ready to pay a similar compliment, if only the circumstances admitted of it. We also notice one peal in which a blind ringer took part, two were rung by eight Georges, one by 10 Williams and one by 12 Johns.
Saints' days and other Church festivals were more noticed last year, 52 peals being recorded as rung on these occasions. Possibly other peals were rung for festivals, as we notice, for instance, that 16 peals were rung on January 6th, but in only two cases was the Festival of the Epiphany mentioned. Six peals were rung for har vest thanksgivings, and three muffled on December 31st for tho de parture of the old year, together with 17 others on that day.
Your committee have given careful attention to the work bequeathed them as young as 11. In one peal the ages of four of the ringers were 12, 13, 15 and 16, while in another the ages varied from 12 to 17 giving an average of 15 . On the other hand we find four of 70 and over and one of $86!$ May he be spared to ring more peals yet!

## REPORT ON PEAL VALUES.

Your committee have given careful attention to the work bequeathed to them by the late Committee on Peal Values, fully sensible of the difficulties inseparable from any scheme of method classification calculated to give general satisfaction. Whether we hare suoceeded or failed, we must leave to others to determine. For our own part, we can say that we have bestowed an immense amount of care and labour on the subject; and that, but for the valuable help we have received from many ringers of eminence, we should havo found the work almost beyond our powers. Even now, we must ask for the indulgent criticism of the Exercise in respect of the anomalies which still remain. We shall be willing at all times to receive and weigh carefully any suggestions for improvement which may reach us. We would urge, however, that any who wish to criticise should give real thought to the whole subject, and not simply raise objections because they think that some particular pet method of theirs has not received the consideration they think is due to it. If a fair trial be given to tho results we have arrived at so far, we believe that they will be found workable.
In the first place, we were left to frame a table of values according
to the amended formula VN ${ }^{\frac{3}{3}}$
which we have found of great servioe,
as showing, in a symmetrical form, the limits within which our choice of values lay; subject, of course, to such slight adjustment as the practical experience of some of us in the intricacies of ringing suggested.
In the next place we have endeavoured to arrange a classifica tion of methods from the point of view of a practical ringer, and we believe the classification we have agreed on to be a sound one. It is here, however, that anomalies may
bs expected to creep in. For whatever classification may bo attempted, so as to allow for a moderate graduation of difficulty, there will always be found some methods contracting themselves (so to speak) out of any classification that the wit of man can devise; for even a Plain method may be invented as difficult to ring as any Surprise method. Such, however, are exceptions: and with these we must be permitted to deal exceptionally.

## CLASSIFICATION OF METHODS.

The following is the classification we have arrived at:-
CLASA I
Plain Metheds.-Comprising all Single methods with the work on one side of tho troble only, with or without a bell in the hunt:-
ianterbury, College Single, Darlaston, Grandsire, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Union Triples-with the reverse methods.

CLASS II.
Alliance.-Methods with the treble having an "Alliance hunt," i.e., a combination of dodging and plain hunt.

CLASS III.
Treble Bob. -All methods, not otherwise classified, with the treble a dodging hunt:-Kent, Oxford, Woodbine, Violet, London Treble Bab, ets.

## CLASS IV.

Double Plain.-All methods with the treble a plain hunt, and the same method work on each side of the treble:-Double Bob, Double Grandsire, Double Norwioh, Double Oxford, etc.

## CLASS $V$.

Compound Plain.-All methods with different method work on each side of the treble:-St. Clement's, Hereward.

## CLASS VI.

Stedman, etc.-Odkd bell and even bell methods, in which all the bells work alike:-Frin, Stedman, Aston, Duffield, Forward, Handsworth, Original, Shipway.

## CLASS VII.

Double Surprise.-Surprise methods (i.e., Treble Bob methods with a place at every cross section) with the places all made right, and the same method work on each side of the treble, i.c., double:Superlative, Oxford, New Cumberland, Norfolk.

## CLASS VIII.

Compound Surprise. -Surprise methods with all the places made right, and with different method work on each side of the treble:Cambridge, New Cambridge, Gloucester, Yorkshire.

## OLASS IX.

Double Surprise (places wrong).-Surprise methods with the places made both right and wrong, and the same method work on each side of the treble, i.e., double:-Bristol, Peterborough.

## CLASS X.

Compound Surprise (places wrong). Surprise methods with the places made both right and wrong, and with different method work on each side of the treble:-London Surprise, Cumberland Delight, Sitepney Surprise Royal.
Methorls specially assigned.-Little Bob to Class III, Waterloo Reverse Major to Class VI.

## POINT YALUES.

The Point Values for the akove Classification are:-

| Class |  |  | Triples. | Major. | Caters. | Royul. | Cinques. | Maximus. |
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| ", | III | $\ldots$ |  | 12 |  | 19 | ... | 18 |
| ,, | IV. | ... | 12 | 16 | 18 | 22 | 20 | 30 |
| " | V. | $\ldots$ |  | 16 |  | 22 |  | 30 |
| ", | Vİ. |  | 24 | 24 | 28 | 30 | 32 | 36 |
| " | VII. | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | 30 |  | 40 |  | 55 |
| " | III | .. | $\ldots$ | 30 |  | 40 | $\ldots$ | 5.5 |
| " | IX. | ... | .. | 48 | $\ldots$ | $6{ }^{6}$ | ... | 72 |
| " | X. | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 30 | ... | 63 | ... | 76 |

The foregoing schedule applies to peals of 5000 changes. Peals haring over 7600 to 10 , coo changes count as two peals; those having over 10.000 to 12,000 changes count as three peals; and so on for every additional 2000 changes. This mode of reckoning, however, is net applicable to long paals in Minor methods, the new scale providing already for the length of a peal, by giving additional points for each
complete 720 rung.

## POINTS FOR PEALS ON 5 AND 6 BELLS.

It will be within the recollection of the Council that, at their last meeting, held at the Church House, Westminster, on the 28th of May, 1912, the Peal Values Committee submitted a scale of points for peals of Minor, the working out of which scale was left to us as members of the Arialysis Committee, and to us was relegated at the same time the duty of formulating a scale of points for peals on the higher numbers of bells, and the adjustment of the two scales.
ln the scale of points for peals of Minor thus bequeathed to us, Minor mothods were divided into four classes, viz.: Plain, Treble Bob, Broken Lead. and Surprise. The Council, in the "Collection of Legiti"Trate" methods, issued under their authority, accepted the definition of "Troble Bob" methods as those "having no places made at a crose section," and "Surprise" methods as those "having places made at all cross sections." The first, second and fourt "th of these classes, therefore, presentod no djfficulty. With regard, however, to "Broken Lead" methods, we have learnt that they are methods without a slow hunt ball in the front for the whole period between the full leads of the treble, and all the "Delight" methods in the "Collection" fall into this class. But there are nther methods rung, which are not included in the "Collection", Woodbine and Duke of York, for instance, are 4th's place Delight methods, but they have a slow hunt bell, and are not "Treble Bob" nor "Broken Lead." To make the work in front b tween the treble's full leads, the only criterion of difficulty seems to us unreasonable, and, in methods in which 2nd's place is nade at the
treble's full lead, although the lead may be "broken," the bell making 2nd's place may be in front for a longer time than in the case of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. In Duke of Norfolk, e.g., there is a bell in front for 16 whole pulls; in Old Oxford Modernised there is a bell in front for 16 whole pulls, and a bell behind for 20 whole pulls.

## EXPERIENCED CONDUCTORS' VIEWS.

With regard to "Surprise" methods, there are several called Surprise which, according to the accepted definition, have no right to the name. Huaidersfield is Treble Bob only, Coventry, Worcester, Chichester, Bristol, Lichfield, Ely and Chelsea are all 3rd's place Delight methods. Under these circumstances, we have invited a number of conductors, experienced in Minor methods, to help us in dividing these methods into four classes, according to their practical difficulty. That invitation has been very heartily responded to. The replies have, in most cases, shown that those who were consulted have given very careful thought and much labour to the question, and we wish to give those gentlemen very sincere thanks for the very valuable material which has been placed at our disposal.
There was, of course, no little diversity of opinion. One method was placed in all four classes, and nine were placed in three classes. But, in every case but one, at least one class had only one supporter. As opivions were given on all the methads in the "Collection" and on a large number of others outside it, there was a greater agreement than might have been expected. The personal equation enters very largely into the question of difficulty, and a method, which seems perfectly simple to one, presents much difficulty to another. Those, again, who have not had much experience of the more intricate methods, are naturally inclined to rate methods of moderate difficulty ton highly.
There must be a good deal of difference between the easiest and most difficult method of each class, but this caunot be helped, if the number of classes is to be restricted to four; and we do not think that more than four are necessary or advisable. We have accordingly made a division into four classes, which we hope may find general. acceptance.

## COMPARATIVE VALUES.

We were next faced with the difficulty of combining the scale of points for Doubles and Minor with the scale for peals on higher numbers. Taking the points for a peal of Grandsire Triples to be 7, Bob Major 8, and Treble Bob Major 12, we find that, according to the last scale, a peal of Bob Minor (possibly the same 720 rung seven times) will receive the same number of points as a peal of Grandsire Triples; while if one 720 of Treble Bob takes the place of one of Plain Eob, the points are one more than for a peal of Bob Major; and seven 720 's of Treble Bob (possibly, again, the same 720 repeated) receives two more points than a peal of Treble Bob Major. This obviously requires adjustment, and it has been a matter of no small difficulty. But we think, after much consideration, that the scale we have drawn up should commend itself to ringers of Minor methods as fair and reasonable.

We propose to give to a peal of Doubles three points, with one point added for each two methods rung.
To a peal of Minor five points, to which shall be added:
1 point for each 720 of Class II.
2 points for each 720 of Class III.
3 points for each 720 of Class IV,
together with 1 point for every additional method of Classes I and II, and 2 points for every additional method of Classes III and IV, provided that complete 780's are rung, either in one or more methods. A peal of seven methods of Class IV should thus be valued at $5+21+12=38$.
Four 720's in one method Class II, and three in one method Class I would receive $5+4+1=10$.
One 720 of Class I. two of Class II, two of Class III, and two of Class IV, $5+2+4+6+2+8=21$.
True 720 's containing methods of more than one class to be considered as belonging to the method of the highest class.
In consequence of the difficulty of combining the scale for "peals" with the scale for Minor adopted by the Council in 1912, we have decided to present the analysis this year with the societies arranged in alphabetical order, giring the totals for Triples, etc., and for Minor and Droubles separately.

## CLASSIFICATION OF MINOR METHODS. <br> CLASS I.

Plain Methods.-Original; 1, Plain Bob; 2, Double Bob; 3, Oxford; 4, Double Oxford; 5, Hereward; 6, Reverse Hereward; 7, St. Clement's; 12, Canterbury Pleasure; 13, Fulbeck; 14; 15; 16; 17; 24, Court; 26, Collego Single.
Treble Bob Methods.-1, Oxford; 2, Sandal; 3, Duke of Norfolk; 4, Burton; 5, Rochester or London Treble Bob; 6, Morning Star or Cumberland Exercise; 7, London Scholars' Pleasure; 8, Islington or College Exercise; 9 ; 10; 11: 12, Cambridge Treble Bob; 13, Kent; 14 Killamarsh; 15, Sandiacre; Yiolet, College Pleasure, New Londou Pleasure, Arnold's Victory
Fourth's Place Delights.-Woodbine, Oxford Delight or Merchant's. Return or Rusper, Duke of York, City Delight.
Third's Place Delight.-College Treble Bob.
Surprise.-None.

CLASS II.
Plain Methods. - 18; 19, Roydon; 20; 21; 22; 23, Brentford Single; 25, Double Court; 27.
Treble Bob Methods.-18, Kingston; 19, Norbury
Fourth's Place Delights.-10; 11, Braintree; 12, Wragby; 13, Willesden ; 16, Neasden; 17, Old Oxford Modernised; 18; 19; 20, College Bob IV; 21, Nor 'wich or Bocking; 24; 25; 26; 27, Sutton; 28.
Thirds Place Delights. 1 ; 2; 11 ; 12; 13, Kont Delight; 25, Evening Star: 26, Coventry; 27; 28; 29; 35, Ely; 36, Queen Victoria; 37; 38, Cambridge; Worcester Lichfield, Bristol.
Surprise. - 18 ; 26, Westminster; 27, Annable's London; 28, Netherseale; 29, Norwich.

## CLASS III.

Plain Methods.-8, St. Lawrence; 9, Stedman Slow Course; 10, Frodsham; 11, Stepney
Treble Bob Methods.-16; 17; 20; 21; 22; 23; 24.
Fourth's Place Delights.-1; 2; 3; 4; 5, Canterbury ; 6; 7; 8, South wark; 9; 14, Hull; 15; 22; 23.
Third's Place Delights.- $3 ; 4 ; 5 ; 6 ; 7 ; 8 ; 9 ; 10 ; 14 ; 15 ; 20 ; 21 ; 22 ;$ $23 ; 24 ; 30 ; 31 ; 32 ; 33 ; 34$, Dunedin; 39, Tulip.
Surprise.-10; 11, Sandiacre; 12; 19, Bacup; 20; 21; 22, Lancashire; 23, Lightfoot; 24, Stamford; 25, Wearmouth; 34, Berwick; 35, Beverley; 37, Ipswich; 38, Primrose; 39, Cambridge; 40, Hull; 41, Bourne.

## CLASS IV.

Plain Methods.-None. Treble Bob Methods.-None.
Fourth's Place Delights.-None.
Thirds Place Delights. -16 ; 17; 18; 19, Chelsea.
Surprise.- I, Murden; 2, Alnwick; 3, Canterbury; 4, Morpeth; 5, Newcastle; 6, Chester; 7, Whitley; 8, Northumberland; 9, Carlisle; 13; 14, London; 15, Wells; 16, Lincoln; 17, Cuneoastre; 30, Hexham; 31, Surfleet; 32, York; 33, Durham; 36, Norfolk.
Reverse Methods in the same class as direct.
The numbers refer to the Council's "Collection."
Illegitimate" or Irregular methods which have appeared in three or more peals in 1912 are named. All others to be placed in Class I. Gonductors who send reports of peals of Minor to the papers are earnestly requested to state the class to which the methods belong, and also to be careful in naming the methods.

Irondon' appears from time to time without any intimation as to whether London Treble Bob or London Surprise is meant. Again there are Canterbury Pleasure, Canterbury Delight and Canterbury Surprise, and we find the name "Canterbury" alone, without any further description, so that we have to guess which of the three methods was rung.

Each of the above reports is signed by-
E. W. CARPENTER, Boothby Pagnell Rectory, Grantham. JOSEPH GRIFFIN, 77, Shobnall Street, Burton-on-Trent. ARTHUR T. KING, 7, Cavendish Road, Southsea, Hants. GEORGE WILLIANS, West End, near Southampton.

## LEEDS SOCIETY AT GUISELEY

The monthly meeting of the Leeds and District Society was held at Guiseley, on Saturday week, when members from the following towers met for practice: Bolton, Holbeck, Hunslet, Ilkley, Queensbury, Calverley, and the local tower; and touches of Stedman, Grandsire, Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich were rung. The business meeting was lield at the Red Lion Hotel, the President being in the chair.Three new members were elected, and a vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardenc, and the local company, was proposed by J. Woodhead, seconded by P. L. Cooper, and unanimously carried, Mr. J. B. Jackson responding.-The tower was then again visited, and further ringing indulged in.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION REPORT

 To the Editor.Dear Sir, Will you please allow me the use of your columns to correct an error in the composition of a peal published in the above report. On page 102 appears a peal of Bristol Surprise Major (5088 changes) by A. Knights, the calling of the eleventh course of which should read-

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I should be glad if members will correct the same. Yours truly,
49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.
C. T. COLES,

Joint Hon. Sec.

## MR. R. H. BARTRAM'S 75 PEALS.

By ringing in the peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal at Melton Mowbray, on Saturday last, Mr. Bartram brought his list of peals to 75, made up as follows: Doubles, 3, conducted, 3 ; Minor, 11, conducted, 7; Grandsire Triples, 21, conducted, 16; Bob Triples, 2; Stedman Triples, 2; Bob Major, 6 (one 7056 changes), conducted, 1; Kent Treble Bob Major, 13; Double Norwich Court Bob Major, 5; Grandsire Caters, 4; Stedman Caters, 4; Bob Royal, 2; Kent Troble Bob Royal, 2; total, 75; conducted, 27. Rung in five counties, in 22 different towers, and with 126 differert men and ono lad.

## LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. MEETING AT CAERPHLLLY.

It was a great disappointment to those who journeyed to Caerphilly on Saturday last, especially those who had never heard this ring of bolls, to find on their arrival for the quarterly meeting that the bells were not to be rung, a most distressing caso having just occurred close to the church, a man whose family took the keenest interest in the church, dropping suddenly dead. The Rector explained that he had but just left the house, and that the deceased's wife, who also suffered from heart disease, was in a dangenous state of health, and said it would, therefore, have been most inhuman for the bells to be ringing merrily under the circumstances.
There was a splendid attendance for a quarterly meeting, the Rev. Comnop L. Price presiding. The statement of accounts, with a short report, was presenton, and adopted, and reports were also given is to instruction at Llantrissant and Rhymney.
A discussion followed as to monthly ringing practices being ar ranged, and it was eventually decided that each fowor should make its own arrangement.
New members were elected, and the place for the next Glamorgan quarterly mecting was considered.-On the proposition of Mr. S. Dawe, seconded by Mr. W. Biss, it was unanimously decided that the mecting should bo beld at Pendoylan.
A diecussion followed on the bricking up of the louvres of Caerphuly tower, where, at presznt the bells ano not available for peal ringing, and the Rector promised that something should be done to remedy the evil.
The Hon. Secretary stated that he had received a letter from the conductor of Caldicot tower, stating that the ring of eight there were not to be rung again until the bells were rehung, and that steps were being taken to collect subscriptions for the purpose.

The next quarterly meeting is to be held at Marshfield (Mon.), and it is hoped that the rehanging of Peterstone bells (whicin also comes under the Vicar of Marshfield) will be completed before the meeting takes place.
The Rector then very kindly invited everyone present to tea at the Rectory, where Mrs. Price hadl everything waiting. At the conclusion of the tea, the Rector announced that the Vicar of Llanbradach had very kindly wired to say that the members could have with pleasure the use of his bells. Being only two miles away, the offer was gladly accepted, and the members quickly made their way there, and various methods were rung during the evening.

## PRESENTATION AT TROWBRIDGE.

A member of the Trowbridge band, Mr. Harold Butcher, has just left England for Canada, and as a farewell a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1259 changes) taken from Holt's ten-part was rung by: H. Butcher 1, S. Aldom 2, J. Francis 3, C. Raison 4, A. K. Harrison 5, G. H. Harding (conductor') 6, S. J. Hector 7, W. Baxter 8.

Two days after, the ringers met in the tower to take their faremell of Mr. Butcher, and to maker a presentation to him, the ringers haring subseribed for a very nice shaving outfit.

In the regrettable absence of the veteran captain (Mr. MacCaffrey), Mr. Hector made the presentation. He said how sorry they all were to lose Mr. Butcher. They had had some very pleasant hours together, and he hoped Mr. Butcher would still keep in touch with ringing in Canada. Of course, there were not so many peals of bells in that country as there were in England, but if he could get a chance, Mr. Butcher should not miss it. On behalf of the Trowbridge Parish Church ringers, he wished him every success, good luck, and prosperity, and he hoped when he returned to the old country in years to come, he would bring a fortune with him.-Mr. Butcher, in acknowledging the gift, said he was sorry in a sense to have to leave the ringing. They had all spent some very happy times together.-Mr. E. Coke, who is a great lover of bell music, and a staunch Churchman, added a few words. He said they could never remember the bells rung so well as they were at present, and he could remember them for more than 40 years. He wished Mr. Butcher good luck and prosperity.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A fairly attended meeting was held at Farnworth on Saturday last, when members were present from Bolton, Walkden, and Tyldesley, with some ot the local ringers. Some very good touches of Stedman, Bub Major and Treble Rob were rung. It was decided to hold the rext meeting at St. Bartholomew's, a six-bell tower.

The monthly meeting of the Rochdale Branch was held at Leesfield on Saturday, when members were present from Glodwich, Moorside, O'dham, Middleton, Milnrow, Balderstone, Rochdale Parish, Ashton, Todmorden, Pendleton and Leesfield.-Mr. J. Taylor, of Glodwich, presided over the business meeting, at which it was decided to hold the next meeting at Walsden.-After the usual votes of thanks, the bells were kent going - in Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain and Kent Treble Bob Major.

CIIFLSEA. - At St. Luke's Church, on March 30th, for service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters, in 52 mins. : J. Barber 1, W. Dean 2, G. Watkin 3, A. Newman 4, H. Burton 5. F. A. Smith 6, E. Recve 7, W. Essery 8, II. Manco (conductor) 9, F. Gibbard 10.

# ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM. RTNGERS' SERVICES AND GIFT RECOGNISED BY PARISHIONERS. 

There is an old adage, "Out of sight, out of mind," which is only no often, even in these days, applicable to ringers, for in many cases they receive but little acknowledgment. That this is not the case at every tower, however, is evidenced by the following letter, addressed by the Rector of Birmingham to Mr. A. Paddon Smith, hon. secretary of the ringers at St. Martin's:-

At the Easter Vestry of the Parish, which was held last night at the Parish Church House, it was unanimously and most warmly decided that a very hearty vote of thanks should be conveyed by the Iiector to yourself, and all the members of the St. Martin's Guild, for your very raluable services, and for the excellent way in which tho important duties of the belfry are always carried out. Your very handsome gift to the church of the recasting of the defective bell was also specially singled out for grateful acknowledgment.
It is, I assure you, a very great pleasure to me to convey this vote of thanks to you, and to add my own emphatic endorsement to it.
Will you kindly read this letter to the members present next Sunday, that all may know the sentiments of the officers and congregation, and believe me, yours very truly,
The Rectory, Birmingham.
J. W. WILLINK. Rector.
P.S.-It was a singular coincidence that as I was in the very act of putting the resolution to the meeting and as they all emphatically said "Aye!"-at that instant the bells broke out in peal. Thero was a burst of applause at the extraordinary chance of tho bells beginning just at the very moment of acknowledgment.
The comcidence recorded by the Rector occurred because the Vestry meeting was held on the night of the St. Martin's practice.
Messrs. Barwell have the recasting of the 2nd in hand. The bell has been removed to the foundry, and the new one was to be cast this week. The dedication service will, in all probability, be held on Saturday, May 10th.

## NOTICES.

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JHE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -Established $1637 .-M e e t i n g s$ for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on April 2gth; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Strect, on the 24th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 29th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 22nd. Also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus at 7.30, the others at 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern Division. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Waldron on Saturday, April 19th. Bells opened at 3 o'clock, t" 5.30 , by kind invitation of the Rector of Waldron (the Rev. IV.' J. I-tumble-Crofts, M.A.).-George H. Howse, Kenilworth, Latimer Road, Eastbourne.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established i824).-Southern District. -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, April igth, at St. Mary's, Battersea; tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow; all ringers invited. - F. A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North Western Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Saffron on Saturday, April igth. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Business meeting in the Parish Room at 5.30 p.m.-William Watts, District Secretary, Mont House Cottage, Stansted, Essex.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Grappenhall Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Daresbury tomorrow, Saturday, April 19th. Service at 3.30 followed by tea and meeting. Tea gd. each.-Jno. E. Ashcroft, Honorary Secretary.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting will be held at East Retford on Saturday, April 19th. The bells at East Retford (io) and Ordsall (6) will be open for ringing during the afternoon and evening. Tea at 5 p.m. at Howard's Restaurant, free to members, non-residents is., and to others is. 3d. per head. A hearty welcome will be given to members of kindred associations.-H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The quarterly meeting will be held at Whittle-le-Woods on April 19th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 5.30. All ringers welcome.-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-dale.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District. -An interim meeting of the above will be held at Woodchurch on Saturday, April igth. Bells available at 4 o'clock. -C. Tribe, Honorary District Secretary, British School Villas, Tenterden.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).-The quarterly meeting of the association will be held on Monday, April 2ist, at St. Boltoph's, Bishopsgate, E.C. Tower open from 7.30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Business meeting at 9.I 5 at the Citizen, Houndsditch, E.C. All ringers welcome. - F. J. Hardy, Honorary General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.-The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Hornsey, on Saturday, April 26th, by kind permission of the Rector (Rev. B. Spink). Bells available from 3.30. Short service at 5.I5, to which all ringers are earnestly invited. Tea in St. Mary's Hall, Brook Road, at 6 o'clock, 6d. each. All members and friends welcome.-C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - South and West District.-The next meeting will be held at Putney on Saturday, April 26th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea at 6 at a small charge.-H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints', West Ham, on Saturday, April 26th. Tower open at 3.30. Tea in the Mission Hall at $5 \cdot 30$, at Sd. each, to those who notify me by the 24th.-F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary, 3, Hart's Lane, New Cross, S.E.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established I755).-A quarterly meeting will be held at Solihull on Saturday, April 26 th. Bells (10) available from 3.30. Tea at Mason's Arms Hotel, $5 \cdot 30$, 9 d. per head, followed by business meeting. - A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, in, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD. - The annual meeting of the above Guild will be held at Dudley on Saturday, April 26th. Bells available at 3.30. Service in church at 5 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. A. Gray Maitland (President), with an address by the Rev. J. A. Price, M.A., Vicar of Coseley. A free tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than Wednesday, April 23 rd. Business.meeting afterwards. Subscriptions are due at this meeting.-Herbert Sheppard, Honorary Secretary, 66, Himley Road, Dudley.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham District.-The next quarterly meeting of this district will be held at Chislehurst on Saturday, April 26th. Bells available at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service, with address by the Rev. J. E. Dawson (Rector), at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. Will those who intend to be present for tea please send me word not later than Tuesday, April 22nd? All outstanding subscriptions should be paid now, so that a true report can be read at the annual meeting.-T. Groombridge, Honorary District Secretary, 34, Adeiaide Road, Chislehurst.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Chippenham on Saturday, April 26th. The bells of St. Paul (8) will be available till 4.15 and from 7 to 8 in the evening. Meeting at the Church Hall, near the Parish Church, at 4.30 p.m. Service at the Parish Church at 5.30 p.m. Will branch secretaries please communicate (by Tuesday, 22nd inst.) number requiring tea, so that arrangements may be made for same.-IV. A. Cave, Honorary Secretary.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-Ford.-A cycle run will take place to Norton Canes on Saturday, April 26 th. Bells arailable from 3 p.m. Ernest V. Cox, Honorary Secretary.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - A quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Sutton Coldfield, on Saturday, April 26th. Bells (8) available from 3.30 p.m. Tea will be arranged if sufficient members let me know by April 2 ist. - Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Luton District.-A meeting will be held at IVoburn on Saturday, April 26th. Bells a available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Election of four members for General Committee will take place at this meeting. All ringers welcome.-A. King, District Secretary, 6, Tavistock Crescent, Luton.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Derby Dis-trict.-A meeting of the above will be held at Ripley on Saturday, April 26th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. All ringers and friends invited. - Bart Mitchell, Honorary District Secretary, 68, Douglas Street, Derby.

LINCGLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual meeting will be held at Lincoln on Saturday, April 26th. Evensong in the Cathedral at 4 o'clock punctually, with address by the Dcan. Tea in Co-operative Hall, Free School Lane, at 5.30 . Meeting after tea. It is hoped that ringers will make a special effort to attend the service in the Cathedral. Ringing at St. Peter-at-Arches, St. Peter-at-Gowts and St. Botolph's in the afternoon.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.--Southern Branch.The next meeting will be held at Lincoln on Saturday, April 26th. Service in the Cathedral at 4 p.m. Tea in the Co-operative Hall at $5 \cdot 30$, meeting following. Bells available: St. Peter-at-Arches and St. Peter-at-Gowts 2.30 to 3.30, St. Botolph's 2.30 to 3.15 and 8 to 9 p.m. Those intending to be present kindly notify me by April 21st.-S. Proctor, Secretary, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch.The annual meeting of the above will take place in the Cooperative Hall, Lincoln, on Saturday, April 26th, 1913. Tea at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , to be followed by meeting. For further particulars see circular.-J. W. Seamer.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-A meeting for practice will take place at Little Comberton on Saturday, April 26 th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Methods: Grandsire and Bob Doubles and Minor.-J. Hemming, Branch Secretary, ro, Church Bank, Hampton, Evesham.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at the Bear Hotel, Lewes, on Saturday, May 3rd. Luncheon at one o'clock. Members' tickets is. $6 d$. cach. The Lord Bishop of Chichester will preside, and also at the business meeting to follow. Further particulars as to service and times for ringing will be announced later on through the post. Half fareswith a minimum of 2 s .-will be allowed members attending, but they are requested to avail themselves as far as possible of the cheap fares. Those intending being present should notify same to me not later than Wednesday, the 3oth inst. - G. Watson, Honorary Secretary, Vale Road, St. Leonards.

GUILD OF CHANGE RINGERS FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP. - The next meeting of the above Guild will be held at Whitchurch on Saturday, May 3rd, 1913. Ringing at 3 p.m., meeting 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Train leaves Shrewsbury 2.18 n.m.-H. B. Beckwith, Honorary Secretary, Ridgemount, Shrewsbury.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. - The annual meeting of this society will be held on Saturday, May 3rd, at Ranmoor, Sheffield. Church of St. John the Evangelist, 8 bells (tenor ${ }^{5} 5 \mathrm{cwt}$.)., available 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., except during the business meeting. A committec mecting will be held in the schools at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to settle the fixtures for the ensuing 12 months. General meeting at 6 p.m. at the same place. The business will include election of officers for the ensuing year, presentation of balance sheet, secretary's report, etc., and a good attendance is particularly requested. Tea will be provided free to members only in the Schools at about 5 p.m. Committeemen are particularly requested to notify me not later than Apri] 29th of the approximate number from their respective companies likely to require tea. Visitors should take a Fulwood car from the City teIminus, as these pass the church.-J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, in, Havelock Street, Sheffield.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Yorktown District. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Farnborough on Saturday, May 3rd. The bells will be available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in the Jubilee Hall at 5.30. All ringers will be gladly welcomed.-G. B. Edser, izo, Gipsy Road, West Norwood.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at Ospringe on Saturday, May 3rd, r913. Tower opened from 3 till 9 p.m. Divine service at 5 p.m., with an address by the Vicar. Tea provided at 5.30 p.m. in the Parish Room, Water Lane. Business meeting after tea. The Faversham bells will also be available from 6.30 p.m. Will all those who intend being present kindly let me know by Tuesday, April 29th, and will secretaries of bands kindly see that all subscriptions are paid before the meeting. - E. Trendell, Honorary District Secretary, Boughton, Faversham.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery.-The annual meeting at Midsomer Norton, May 3rd. Bells available

2 p.m. Evensong 4.15 p.m. Tea and business 5 p.m. All ringers, whether members or not, cordially invited. J. B. Holmyard, Honorary Secretary, Midsomer Norton.

THE LADIES' GUILD.-The annual general meeting of the above Guild will be held at Birmingham on WhitMonday, May 12 th. It is hoped that all members will endeavour to be present. Further particulars later.Edith K. Parker, Honorary Secretary, 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. Francis E. Dawe has removed to Woodcote, Kingsway, Woking

GRAND PRIZE RINGING CONTEST, at St. John's Church, Kirkheaton, near Huddersfield, on Whit-Tuesday, May $13^{\text {th }}$, when prizes to the value of $\mathcal{E} 7 \mathrm{I} 7 \mathrm{~s}$. will be given. For further particulars apply to Frank Hardy, Haigh's Buildings, Lepton, near Huddersfield.

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The restoration of the tower of Warfield Church, Berks, is now going forward, and the new ring of eight bells will shortly be placed in position. On Thursday of last week, a meeting, called by the Vicar, was held to see what could be done to form a band of ringers, and come 25 parishioners attended, which speaks well for the future. The meeting was fortunate in having the presence of a practical ringer in Mr. J. Brant, who gave the prospective members the benefit of his advice, and brought to their notice the advantages of joining the Oxford Diocesan Guild. The tower comes just within the boundary, and should be a welcome addition to this somewhat isolated part of ihe East Berks and South Bucks branch.

TYTHE, KENT.-On Sunday evening, March 30 th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: W. J. Prebble 1, T. A. Vincett 2, A. R. Manning 3, WW. Bidnell (conductor) 4, P. W. Crunden 5, S. T. Binfield 6, S. A. Gower 7, W. G. Richards 8.

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## PEALS AND POINTS.

The more one examines the report on peal values, published in our last issue by the Peals Analysis Committee of the Central Council, the more one is impressed with the able manner in which the committee have dealt with this extremely complicated matter. The work that has been involved is obviously immense, and, when it is remembered that it has all had to be done by correspondence, without a single round-the-table conference, the greatness of the task which the committee have accomplished during the past year must be apparent to all.

The work of the now defunct Peal Points Committee, whose duties were, at the last Council meeting, handed over to the Analysis Committee, laid the foundation for the progress which has now been made in coming to something which may provide an acceptable basis to the Exercise in general. With a formula already laid down, the question of settling the points for peals on seven bells and upwards was largely one of classification, and we think that in this the committee have left little to complain of. Ve mentioned incidentally last week one point that appeared to need some little amendment, viz., the inclusion of methods like Forward in the same class as Stedman, which in the case of Forward Maximus, for instance, would give twenty per cent. more points than to Double Norwich Maximus, which appears in a lower group. This, of course, is an isolated case, and can easily be met by assigning these methods to another class, although, admittedly, this would, to some extent, spoil the symmetry of the classification.

In regard to the points for peals on five and six bells, the Committee have done very valuable work, and have brought the matter of the relative values of peals on these numbers and peals on higher numbers to a stage which should meet with approval. In their classification the Committee have taken expert opinion, and, instead of pitching all methods of one type into one class and all of another type into another class, they have sorted them out according to their practical difficulty. This was certainly the fairest method that could have been adopted, and will, we hope, prove a satisfactory solution to what has always been the most knotty problem of a very complicated subject.

Viewed as a whole, we think the report will be generally acceptable to ringers, and we feel that not only the Central Council, but the Exercise at large owes a great debt of gratitude to the Committee, who, by the expenditure of so much time and trouble, have carried, thus far successfully, towards a permanent settlement, a subject that for years has appeared almost incapable of satisfactory conclusion.

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## TEN BELL PEALS.

WHITBY, YORKSHIRE.
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, April 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;

 Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.*John R. Barton ... ...Tyeble Harry Gibson ... ... ... 6
-George F. Alexander ... 2 *William R. Knaggs ... 7
*William A. Breckon ... 3 *John T. Waters ... ... 8
*Albert Coates ... ... 4 Thomas Metcalfe ... ... 9 -Frank S. Hodgson... ... 5 .John W. Lowther... ...Tenor

Composed by Henry Hobbard, and
Conducted by Thomas Metcalfe.

- First peal on ten bells. First ten-bell peal on the bells. Messrs. Barton and Gibson hail from Scarborough, Messrs. Alexander and Lowther from Fylingdales, the conductor from Middlesbrough, and the rest are members of the local band.

CARDIFF, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, April 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minates, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES;

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\text { Tenor } 27 \text { cwt. }
$$

Clarence O. Hobbs ...Tyeble | Tom Page... ... ... ... 6
John W. Jones... ... ... 2 William G. Miller ... 7
Sidney Dawe ......$\quad$... 3 Joseph E. Sykes ......

- Harry Page ... ... ... 4 Benjamin Thorp ... ... 9

Fred Chamberlain ... ... 5 *Charles Oram... ... ...Tenor
Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by Benjamin Thorp.

- First peal of Caters.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(The Blackburn, Bolton, Manchester, Rochdale and Presion Branches.)
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 15 cwt ., in F .

| Frederick Hindle | Treble | William E. Wieson | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John Potter |  | William Mallinson |  |
| Arthur Tomlinson |  | Edward Armstrong |  |
| - William Crabtree | 4 | John Watson ... | ${ }^{9}$ |
| Rev. H. J. Elsee | 5 | Joseph Ridyard | Tenor |
| Composed by C. H. Hattersley, and Conducted by W. Mallinson. |  |  |  |

* First peal of Royal.


## SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, At the Church of St. Alphege,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;

 Tenor $19 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cw}$.| v. C. Carew Cox | ...Treble | Thomas Bloore |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Joseph B. Fenton |  | Thomas Miller |  |  |
| * Walter Malins | 3 | James E. Groves |  |  |
| Alfred J. Hessian. |  | James George ... |  |  |
| Jos |  | Stanley Bragg |  |  |

Composed by James George, and
Conducted by the Rev. C. Carew Cox.

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## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WOOD GREEN, STAFFORDSHIRE. THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Monday, April 14, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Paul,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHARGES;


Composed by George Hoghes, and Conducted by E. J. Tyler.
*First peal of Major. $\dagger$ First peal in the method as conductor. First peal in the method by an entirely local band.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, April 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicolas,

## A PEAL Of Stedman triples, 5040 Changes;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Frank Blondell ... ...Treble Septimos Radford ... ... 2 Willoughby E. Madiden 3 Thomas W. Radford ... 4

Tenor 23 cwt., in E.
Edward Raddon ... ... 5 Sydney G. Steer ... ... 6 Alfred H. Pulling ... 7 Matrice Smither ... ...Tenor

Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.

- First peal of Stedman on an inside bell.


## EYE, SUFFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Apxil 16. 1913, in Three Hours and Seventen Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,

## A Peal of kent treble bob major, 5088 changes;

Tenor 21 cwt.


HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, April 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minates, At the Chorch of St. Mary Magdalen,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

## Tenor 12 cwt .

| James Wheeler | ... ...Treble | William Wheeler... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Harry Bottrill | ... ... 2 | Grorge Dent ... |
| William Dellar | ... ... 3 | John Cordell ... ... |
| *Charles Peacock | ... ... 4 | Harry Smale |

## SCUNTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE. <br> THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> (Nortilern Branch.)

On Thursday, April 17, 1913, in Tȟree Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. John,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.
T. H. Parkin
...Treble
N. Short
....
T. P. Hocknell... ... ... 3
J. Е. Smith ... $\quad . . \quad$ Composed b

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## SOUTHGATE

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, April 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Taenty Minutes, At Christ Chorch,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES; Tenor 25 cwt., in $D$.
*William Childs ... ...Tyeble Albert A. Hughes... ... 5
Alfred R. Glasscock ... 2 J John E. Miller...

- Ernest E. Grimes ... $\cdots \cdot \frac{. .}{} 3$ †John Armstrong $\quad . .$.
*Edmund G. Tomlinson ... 4 *Norman A. Tomlinson ...Tenor Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by John Armstrong.
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## HAMMERSMITH

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Late the St. James' Society)
AND ST. PAUL'S GUILD, HAMMERSMITH.
On Thursday, April 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Paul,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES; Tenor 15 cwt


| •Harry Stevens | ... | ... | 2 | George C. Iles | ... | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frederick W. Crooke... | 3 | Frank Skevington | .. | .. | 7 |  |  |

$\dagger$ Ernest H. Cook $\ldots . . . .4$ 4 Charls F. W. Hont .... Tenor Composed by C. H. Martin, and Conducted by F. Skevingion.

* First peal of Major. † First peal of Bob Major with a bob bell. First peal in the method as conductor. First peal in the method by the Guild.


## LONDON

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, April 17, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Mary, Lewisham, S.E.,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

## Holt's Original.

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| Herbert $G$. Goodwin |
| 7 | Herbert G. Goo

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DEANE, BOLTON, LANCASHIRE. <br> THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. <br> On Friday, April 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary, <br> <br> A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; <br> <br> A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; <br> 

IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Friday, April 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

## Thurstans' Four-Part.

tGeorge Downing George Downing .....Treble Alfred H. Martin ... ... 2 James Houghton ... ... 6 john J. Mawby ... ... 3 Walter Perkins ... ... 7 Anderson Y. Tyler ... 4 *Arthur Bindley ... ...Tenor Conducted by Walter Perkins.

* First peal. † First peal away from tenor and first attempt. Rung to celebrate the silver wedding of the conductor, and also of the Rev. J. K. Taylor, Rector of the parish.


## AVETON GIFFORD, DEVON.

 THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Tiventy-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor rod cwt.


## CHIDDINGSTONE, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## a peal of kent treble bob major, 5024 Ghances;

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\text { Tenor } 19 \frac{1}{2} \text { cwt., in } \mathrm{E} \text {. }
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James Heasman
*George Edwards … ...TTeble as $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ Harry Hanington - ... 6 Stephen J. Perkins, Junt. 4 | Herbert Markwell. Composed by H. Dains, and
Conducted by James Heasman.

* First peal in the method and first attempt. + First peas in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to G. Edwards.

GLASTONBURY, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Cherch of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGEE:

 Holt's Six-Part.Williail Brass ... ... ...Tveble Hesry J. Trim Treble REV. W. M. K. Warren ... 3 Albert E. Coles

Conducted by

Tenor 26 cwt .
Walter Worgan ... ... 5 Walter Farley ... ... 6 Gabriel Chamberlain ... 7 James Coram ... ... ...T Tenon James Coram


Rung as a farewell to Rev. A. J. Hook, Hon. Auditor to the Association, who is leaving Glastonbury to take up the living of St. Thomas, Wells. The ringers wish to thank the Rev. W. M. K. Warren for his kind hospitality after the peal, and the Rev, C. V. P. Day, Vicar, for the use of the bells.

2 Lewis Attwater Lewis Attwater ... ... 2 Robert Grimwood ... Dodglas W. Drewett ... 3 Frank Holder ... ... Beijamin Morris ... ... 4 William S. Smith ... ...Tenor Conducted by William S. Smith.
First peal in the method by all the band, and first peal in the method by the Surrey Asseciation.

GUISELEY, YORKS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, April 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Oswald,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCE8;

Sir A. P. Heywood's Transposition of Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
John B. Jackson ... ...Treble Firth Hopwood Samuel B. Norfolk. Francis Woodhead .. John Palframan $. . . \quad . . .3^{3} \quad 4 \quad$ William B. Smith ......

Conducted by Frederick W. Dixon.
Rung, with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late Mr. Joseph Yeadon, an old ringer at the above church.

PENDLETON, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, April 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes.
At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;
Tenor 18 cwt., in $E$.
KING'S NORTON., WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hour's and Fifty-three Minutes. At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{4} \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
 Composed by W. Harrison, and Conducted by John S. Pritchett.

## BROXBOURNE, HERTS.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Church of St. Augustine,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH COURT BJB MAJOR, 5008 GHANGES:

Tenor 20 cwt .
 Composed by Henry Dains, and Conducted by James Parker.

* First peal in the method.

MITCHAM, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
Or Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISZ MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Johnson's Variation of Middleton's.
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7
7

Alfred Barnes...
Al B Barnes ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$
Bert
Bert Davies

|  | ....Trcble |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 |

W. W. Wolstencroft Harry Chapman5
6Richard Newton
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Richard Newton } & \ldots & \text {.... } \\ 7 \\ \text { Josepil Ridyard } & \text {... } & \text {...Tenor }\end{array}$
Composed by J. Reeves, and
Conducted by Joseph Ridyard,

## SOUTHAMPTON

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, April 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF STEDMAH TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
George Williams ... ...Treble
*Arthur Stubbington Edward ... 2 Conducted by George wh. Gile

* First peal of Stedman and first attempt.


## SIX $\mathcal{B}^{3}$ FIVE BELL PEALS.

MADRESFIEI_D, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. John Morris ... ... ...Treble Ernest Gibbs ... ... ... 4 William Ranford $\ldots . . . . . \quad 2 \quad$ J. R. Newman ..... William Short ... ... ... 3 Robert G. Knowles ...T Tenor

ior Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. W. Short and R. G. Knowles.

BRINDLE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIAIION.
(Preston Branch.)
On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being three 720 's of Kent Treble Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
John Fowler ... ... ...Tveble 'Arnold Blackwell ... 4 Thomas Stott ... ... ... 2 Thomas Blackivell ... 5 William Sharples ... ... 3 William Fowler ... ... Tenor o * First peal of Minor.

CHALFONT ST. PETER.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, April 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of Si. Peter,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHAHCES;
Being two 720's of Kent Treble Bob, two of Oxford Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor $1 I^{3}$ cwt.
Charles Edwards ... ...Tveble James Stone ... ... ... 4 Frederick Bolton.... Alfred Swan $\ldots . . . . \quad . . \quad 3$ Richard Buckland... ... Tenor Conducted by Charles Edwards.
First peal, in more than one method, on the bells, and by the ringers of 2nd, 3 rd and 4 th. This peal was arranged for Mr. C. Edwards, of Farnham, Surrey.

DAGENHAM, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, April 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF SOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being seven 720 's each called differently. - Miss Cissy Playle... ...Treble $\mid$ George H. Jaye ... ... 4 Arthor C. Chaplin ... $2 \quad$ George W. Playle.. .5 Ernest J. Butler ... ... 3 Ed Eward H. Hawkins ...Tenor
Conducted by George W. Playle. * First peal and first attempt.

HEMINGBROUGH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSFIIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MIMOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two $720^{\prime}$ s of Oxford, two of Kent and three of Plain Bob. Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.


WILBURTON, CAMBS.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5760 CHANGES;
Being two 720's of Kent and six of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor io cwt.
${ }^{*}$ Charles Goddard ...... Treble $\mid$ Percy W. Fordham $\quad . .4$
*George Staplehorst ... 2 Henry Sharp ... ... ... 5 *George Markwell ... ... 3 | Thomas Fitzjoun .... .... Tenor Conducted by T. Fitzjofin.

* First peal. Rung in honour of St. Alphege's Day. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar (the Rev. J. Holford Scott) for the use of the bells.


## WINFARTHING, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;
Being seven $720^{\prime}$ s, each called differently.
Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. 4 lbs .
Sidney Gaskin... ... ...Treble $\mid$ William Mears ... ... 4
*James Fulcher $\quad . . \quad$... 2 F Frederick C. Burrows... 5
Horace Haylett ... ... 3 Alfred Newson ... ... Tenor Conducted by F. C. Burrows.

* First peal.


## ELTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(Darley Dale Society.)
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHAHCES;

42 Six-Scores called in various ways. Tenor 8 cwt .
John Siddall, Junt. ... ...Treble | Menry Gregory ... ... 3

Alfred C. Wright ... ...Tenor
Conducted by Alfred C. Wright.
First peal on the bells, and first of Doubles by all the band. The tenor was cast in 1603 .

## COVEHITHE, SUFFOLK

THE NORVICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGE8;

Being 2 I Six-scores of Grandsire and 2 I Six-scores of Plain Bob. Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
George Bertram ... ...Tyeble John Spencer ... ... ... 3
Albert J. Naunton... ... 2 Edward Nuñ.... .... ... 4 Francis W. Natinton ... Tenor Conducted by F. W. Naunion.
First peal on the bells, which have recently been rehung by Messrs. Day \& Sons, of Eye, and "go" excellently. The band wish to thank the Rector (the Rev, L. W. Wingfield) for the use of the bells.

## RICKINGHALL, SUFFOLK.

THE NORTVICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Thipty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge and Norwich Surprise, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, Kient and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor II cwt,

| Edgar Bailey | .. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | William Clover | ... | ... | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Edward Youngs | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Leonard Last ... | ... | ... | 5 | | Edward Youngs | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Leonard Last ... | ... | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| George Baley ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | William $^{\text {Rose }} . .$. | ... | ... | Tenor |

Conducted by William Rose.
First peal in seven Treble Bob methods on the bells.

MARSKE-BY-THE-SEA
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Plain Bob Minor, two 720 's of Oxford Treble Bob and four of Kent Treble Bob. Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
*William Letty... ... ...Treble ${ }^{*}$ William Holmes ... ... 4 *Frederick Laverick .... 24 *Thomas Lancaster... .... 5 John George Hale... ... 3 Thomas Metcalfe... ...Tenor Conducted by Thomas Metcalfe.

* First peal on six bells. First peal on the bells.

COTGRAVE, NOTTS.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Appil 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Iient Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double and Single Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor If $\frac{1}{4}$ cwt. Ernest Bartram ... ...Tyeble| William E. White ... 4 *William C. Wakley ... 2 Albert P. Wakley … 5 Rev. C. J. Sturton ... 3 | R. Henry Bartram ...Tenor Conducted by Albert P. Wakley.

- First peal of Minor away from the treble. SOUTHAM, WARWICKSHIRE. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
(St. Michael's Society, Stoke Coventry.) On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Parish Church of St. James,


## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of three $720^{\circ}$ s each of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob and one of Bob Minor. Tenor I6 cwt., in E.
*Oswald J. Hunt ... ...Treble $\mid$ Frank E. Pervin ... ... 4 William J. Smith $\ldots . . . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Charles Freeman ... Joseph H. W. White ... 3 Adolphus Roberts... ...Tenor Conducted by A. Roberts.

* First peal of Minor. Mr. Smith was elected a member before starting for the peal. First peal on the bells.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

HOLBECK, LEEDS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Monday, April 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes, In the Belfry of St. Matthew's Church,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;

| *Joseph Broadley | $\ldots$ | $1-2$ | Albert C. Fearnley | $\cdots$ | $5-6$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percy J. Johnson | $\cdots$ | $3-4$ | George A. Jowett | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $7-8$ | composed by H. Price, and Conducted by Percy J. Johnson. Witness: Stanley L. Cunningham.

* First handbell peal.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. JAMES SOCIETY.
On Monday. April 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes, IN-the Belfry of the Norman Tower,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;
Frederick G. Dewell... 1 - $2 \mid$ Frank J. Leevitt ... ... $_{\text {. }}$ 5-6 Harry A. Turner $\quad . . .3-4$ | Alfred Ely... Composed by H. Price, and
Conducted by Frederick G. Dewell.. Umpire: William Goodship.

HARWICH, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, April 16, 1913. in One Howr and Fifty-three Minutes, At 5. King's Head Street,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 ChANCES;

Arthur T. Morris ... I-2 Thomas H. Bernard ... 5-6
George Thompson... ... 3-4 Tower Taylor ... ... 7 - 8 Composed by G. Patrick, and
Conducted by A. T. Morris. Conducted by A. T. Morris. Umpire: G. Clemfnts.

WATFORD, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, April 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-one Minutes, At 26, Malden Road,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tilurstans' Four-Part.
E. Matrice Atkins
George E. Howchin
Conducted by George N. Price.
Umpire: Thomas L. Simmonds.

## GESTINGTHORPE, ESSEX.

 THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.On Friday, April 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Five Minutes, At the Residence of Olave Broyd,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Canterbury Pleasure, and three of Plain Bob.
George Pannell ... ... 1 - 2 | Olave Broyd... ... ... 3-4. Albert Catterwell … 5-6 Conducted by Olave Broyd.
First peal in five methods " in hand " by all.

## HINTON, EVESHAM.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Southern Branch.)
On Saturday. April 19, 1913. in Two Hours and Twenty-four Minutes, At the Village Reading Room,
a PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHanGES;
Being 8 six-scores each of Plain Bob and Canterbury Pleasure, it of St. Dunstan's and 10 of Grandsire.
Miss Elien M. Johnson I-2 $\mid$ Master Joseph D. Johnson 3-4 Miss Ruth Johnson ... ... 5-6

Conducted by J. D. Johnson.
Umpires: Frederick J. Johnson and Hobert Cotton.
First peal in four methods by all and rung at the first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to their mother and to commemorate the baptism of their infant sister Maggie.

## LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(St. John's Society.)
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,
In the Belfry of St. John-the-Divine,
A PEAL OF BOB NAJOR, 5072 CHANCES;

| Edgar Vallance... | $\ldots$ | $1-2$ | Edward Norman ....... | $5-6$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Willson ... | ... | $3-4$ | William Willson, Junr. | $7-8$ | Conducted by William Willson, Iunt.

## CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Sunday, April 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At Trinity College,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;
 $\dagger$ F. Phillip Cheetham ... 9-io Conducted by E. M. Atkins. Umpire: Rev.. E. Bankes James.

* First peal of Royal away from the tenor. † First peal.

The time of the handbell peal of Little Bob Major at Enfield, published last week, was two hours and twenty-one minutes and the number of changes 5040. The Kent Treble-Bob Royal, also rung in hand, was composed by E.. M.. Atkins and was.rung in two hours andi forty-six minutes.

## THE OXFORD GUILD.

A combined practice to lend a helping hand to the Tilehurst band, who have been in existence for about 25 years, but as yet have never scored a peal with an entirely local company, was held at Tilehurst on Thursday week. Nearly every member put in an appearance, and the bells were kept going for about two hours in Stedman and Grandsire Triples, the local men taking a great share in the ringing. About 20 members of the Oxford Guild attended during the evening, and were satisfied with the practice. Mr. W. Newell represented St. Lawl'ence's, and Mr. Hopgood, St. Mary's, Reading; Mr. Tucker, Caversham, and Mr. Paice, Wokingham. The next combined practice will take place at. St. Mary's the first Wednesday in May, at 7 p.m.

## SONNING BRANCH.

A most successful combined practice was held at Hurst on Saturday last, 27 members being present, representing Finchampstead, Wargrave, Wokingham (All Saints'), Sandhurst, Twyford, Binfield, Easthampstead, Sonning, and the local band. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob Minor and Major and Grandsire Doubles were rung.-Tea was kindly provided by the Vicar. The evening was brought to a close with Grandsire Triples and tunes on the handbells in the Parish Room.

## PRACTICE MEETING AT HAYES.

By the courtesy of the Hayes Parish Church ringers, the Fulmer band paid a visit to Hayes on Saturday evening, where they were met by several ringers from St. Stephen's, West Ealing, and St. Andrew's and St. John's, Hillingdon, and a good combined six-bell practice was held, touches of Plain Bob, Kent, Oxford Bob, Stedman and Grandsire Doubles being brought round. This is the first half-pull ringing done on these bells since they were restored, and the three back bells rehung by Messrs. Webb and Bennett, of Kidlington. The "go" of them gives every satisfaction. The Fulmer ringers wish, through the medium of "The Ringing World," to thank the Rector and the ringers of Hayes for the use of the bells, and the hearty welcome extended to them, also Mr. J. J. Pratt, of Hillingdon, for making the necessary arrangements.

PRESENTATION TO MR. RICHARD NEWTON. At Glossop, on Saturday, another of the peals arranged as a farewell to Mr. Richard Newton, of Manchester, was attempted, but it came to grief after an hour's good ringing, the method being Kent Treble Bob Major. Afterwards, the band and other ringing friends adjourned to the Queen's Arms Hotel, Old Glossop, where a party, numbering about 30, sat down to dinner. A musical evening followed, with songs, recitations and tune ringing.
There was a pleasant surprise in store for Mr. Newton, Mr. Neal, of Dinting, requesting the Vice-President of the Glossop Association (Mr W. Marsden) to present the departing guest with a silver-mounted ebony walking stick. -Mr. Mareden, in a neat speech, made the presentation, remarking upon the esteem in which Mr. Newton was held by the ringers in the Glossop district. -The stick bore the following inscription: "Presented to Mr. Richard Newton by the Glossop Change Ringers Association, April 19th, 1913.'
Mr. Newton, who was taken completely by surprise, said the gift would always remind him of the kindness shown him in the Glossop were the toasts of "The President and Vice President" and "The were the toasts of "The President and Vice-President" and "The
Host " (Mr. Richard Platt). At parting, Mr. Newton received a hearty send-off, with a host of good wishes for his future welfare in his new home beyond the seas.

## A RINGER'S WEDDING.

The Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, hon. secretary of the Kent County Association, officiated at the wedding of Mr. Arthur H. Saxby, of
Margate, fifth son of the late Mr, John Saxby, of Langly Court, Canterbury, and Miss Edith Roberts, youngest daughter of Mifr. Charles Roberts. of Margate, which was solemnised at the Parish Chureh, Margate, where for some years past the bridegroom has been a prominent ringer. The ceremony was an extremely pretty one, and afterwards the bells rang out merrily in honour of the event. The happy couple were the recipients of many presents, including one from past and present ringers at the Parish Church. It consisted of a handsome silver rose bowl, bearing the inscription: "Presented to Mr. A. Saxby (captain) by the St. John's Church Bell Ringers on the occasion of his marriage, April 2nd, 1913." The presentation was made by the vicar, and Mr. Saxby made a feeling reply. He said that although comered socially with other affairs in Margate, his happiest moments were when in St. Joln's Church belfry with his ringers. Unity had been their motto for the last 13 years, and tisis, combined with the goodwill of the churchwardens and the real help he hod had from the three vicars he had served under, had brought the present band to efficiency. Before concluding, he said he must refer to Miss Edwards "the Ringers' Friend.'"). Her past and present kindness to the ringers hed been a help to him from the commencement of his position as leader 13 years ago. In conclusion, he thanked them for the complimentary ringing which they intended to do on the occasion of his wedding, and alco trusted that the peal they were going to attempt as a wedding peal on April 24th, and in which he would take part,
would be successful.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

A PEAL BOARD UNVEILED AT DORCHESTER
The second annual meeting of the Dorchester branch was held at $\mathbf{S t}$. Peter's, Dorchester, on Thursday week, and proved very successful. Representatives attended from Bournemouth, Bridport, Charminster, Fordington St. George's, Milton Abbey, Poole, Puddletown, Upwey, Wimborne, West Lulworth and Wyke Regis, together with a full muster of the local band. The fine peal at St. Peter's (8) and also St. George's (6) were availa ble during the afternoon until 4.15 p.m., when the IRector (the Rev. H. C. Coote) and Mrs. Coote and party, the Rev. W. P. Schuster and Mrs. Schuster, and the Rev. C. A. Phillips ascended the belfry for the ceremony of unveiling a peal board.
The Chairman of the branch (Mr. R. N. Dawes), in asking Mrs. Coote to perform the ceremony, said the board had been erected in the belfry to commemorate the first peal of Cambringe Surprise Major rung in the county of Dorset, and the first peal of Major on the bells.-Mrs. Coote expressed the pleasure it gave her to come into the belfry to unveil the peal board. She had only been in the parish a very short time, but she had heard of the performances and the change ringing of the St. Peter's Society.-Mr. Martin Stewart (Master of the Guild), in proposing a hearty vote of thanks to Mrs. Coote, said he was pleased to see the peal recorded, as he was with the band when they were touring through the county. He gave an interesting account of tine tour--The Rev. W. P. Schuster (general secretary of the Guild) seconded the vote of thanks, and paid a high tribute to the St. Peter's Society
The peal board is nicely written, as follows: "Salisbury Diocesan Guild. On Thursday, Sept. 23 rd , 1909, in 3 hrs 16 mins., a peal of Cambridge Surprase Major ( 5056 changes), tenor 21 cwt., in E flat; W. H. Fussell 1, H. Hodgetis 2, Rev. A. T. Beeston 3, Rev. H. S. 'I'. Richardson 4, G. Williams 5, J. Thomas 6, J. Parker 7, Keith Hart 8. Composed by C. Middleton, and conducted by James Parker. The first peal of Major on the bells, and first peal of Cambridge in this county.

Afterwards the ringers and friends, numbering 55, adjourned to St. Peter's Institute, where high tea awaited them. The Rector presided, supported by his churchwardens, the Revs. W. P. Schuster, C. A. Phillips (hon. secretary, E. Dorset branch), Mr. Martin Stewart (the Master), and the officers of the branch.-Tea over, the Rector welcomed the branch to his parish, and said he realised the good work the Guild was doing. A few years ago he had the honour to welcome the Guild at their annual festival at Trowbridge.-The Rev. W. P. Schuster proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector and his churchwardens for entertaining them so bountifully at tea and for the use of the bells, and for the address the Rector was going to give; and also to the Rev. R. G. Bartlott for the use of his bells at St. George's.-Mr. W. S. B. Northover (Bridport), who seconded, said he was pleased to see the branch getting on so well.

## GOOD PROGRESS.

The business meeting then took place, Mr. R. N. Dawes presiding. On the roll being ealled, it was found that twelve towers were represented. The hon. secretary (Mr. C. H. Jennings) exhibited the new badge, which is executed in bronze and silver. It was approved and much admired, and orders were given.-Mr. S. G. Hodges was elected to serve on the general committee, and four new members were elected. The Hon Secretary presented his report for the past year, which showed that six meetings had been held, all well attended, and that the first "aunual" was a record. The membership had increased from 57 to 80 , and good progress had been made in change ringing. Fight towers out of 10 were now ringing half-pull, and the secretary hoped to see the others well on the road to change ringing before another year. Mr. Townsend had been instructing the Wool band, who, besides ringing Grandsire Doubles, could now ring Bob Minor; Mr. White was instructing the Fordington band, who could now ring Grandsire Doubles; the Wyke Regis band had greatly improved in change ringing with the assistance of Mr. L. W. Wiffen (late of Ipswich); Mr. T. Page was assisting the newly-formed Upwey band; while the St. Peter's Society, Dorchester, were now pealable for Stedman. Restoration work had been carried out at Upwey, two new bells having been added, and the other four quarter turned to make a handy peal of six.-The Secretary also presented the balance sheet, which showed a balance in hand of $£ 1$ 11s. $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$.
Mr. R. N. Dawes was re-elected chairman; Mr. G. T. White, branch Ringing Master; Mr. W. J. Benger, deputy Ringing Master; and Mr. C. H. Jennings, hon. secretary and treasurer.-Mr. Hodges, in proposing a vote of thanks to the officers, paid a tribute to the hon. secretary for the way he had worked and brought the branch up to its high standard.-The Chairman also remarked on the work of their secretary.
Mr. Jennings stated he had been in correspondence with Sir Everard Hambro respecting the next meeting to be held in July, and Sir Everard had replied that he would be pleased to place Milton Abbey and the bells at their disposal, and provide tea for the members of the branch. --This announcement was received with applause.
The members afterwards adjourned to St. Peter's Church, where the Guild service was held, the Rector giving an excellent addrese, which was much appreciated. Subsequently a visit was paid to the two towers available, and some good touches were brought round in the standard methods, esnecially at St. Peter's, Messrs. G. F. White L. W. Wiffen and F. W. Townsend acting as conductors.

## MEARS \& STAINBANK,

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## BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS.NORWICH.

By J. R. Jerram.

According to Mr. L'Estrange's "Church Bells of Norfolk" published in 1874, there was a detached campanile to the south of the Erpingham Gate, containing a peal of five bells, besides other bells in the central steeple. The great bell was named "Lakenham," after Henry de Lakenham, Sacrist from 1275 to 1289, and afterwards Prior.

He gives extracts from the accounts from 1291 to 1529 for repairs to these bells, which comprise new clappers, "Colstrys." (i.e., brass bearings), ropes, keys, bolts, "gojoyus" (i.e., gudgeons), etc. In 1440 the bells were rehung by Stephen Carpenter at a total cost of $£ 132 \mathrm{~s}$. 3 d . In 1529 we find "paid for emendation of the second bell in the clocker by written agreement 33s. 4d., paid thereof


Norwich Cathedral.
only 15 s., and not more because he (the sacrist) left his office before the emendation of the bell was completed. For a new clapper with other iron work for the same bell 22s. 8d. Other repairs about the same bell i2s."
When the old companile was demolished I have not been able to ascertain.

At the present time there is a peal of five bells in the central steeple. Tenor I3 cwt.; 42 inches diameter, note F
sharp. These bells are only hung for chiming by means of ropes on the clappers which are brought down in a row into the triforium. The inscriptions are as follows :-

Treble.

+ FAR MARGARETA NOBIS HEC MUNERA LETA $\square \square \square$
[i.e., Margaret make these gifts a joy to us].
This inscription is in Black Letter Alphabet.
Second.
+ QUESUMUS ANDREA [] (lion's face) FAMULORUM SUSCIPE VOTA $\square \square \square$
[i.e., We pray thee, Andrew, receive the prayers of thy servants].

This inseription is in Black Lettor Alphabet.
Third.
ANNO DOMINI 1635. I.B.
Fourth.
SUBVENIAT DIGNA [] (lion's face) DONANTIBUS HANC KATERINA $\square \square \square$
[i.e., Worthy Katherine prosper the donors of this bell]. This inscription is in Black Letter Alphabet. Tenor.
$\Sigma+$ SUM ROSA PULSATA [] (lion's face) MUNDI MARIA VOCATA o ORATE PRO AIA o ROBERTI BRETHENAM o MONACHI NORWICI $\square \square \square$
[i.e., I, being struck, am called Mary, Rose of the World. Pray for the soul of Robert Brethenam, Monk, of Norwich].

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            This inscription is in Black Letter Alphabet.
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The three shields on the treble, second, fourth and tenor are ermine charged with three bells, the lower one crowned. This is the mark of R. Brasyer, a mediæval Norwich bell founder. The third was cast by John Brend, a later Norwich founder.
These five bells are in a minor key, like the front five of a peal of six, being notes C sharp, B, A, G sharp, F sharp, respectively. It is a pity that a tenor in $E$ is not added (although they cannot be rung). They have a most plaintive and melancholy sound as they are.
There was formerly a clock-bell, without any inscription. This was taken down in ${ }^{1} 8_{73}$, when the late Dean Goulburn gave a clock with quarter chimes on all the five bells.

## ODD CHANGES.

We hope very shortly to be able to announce the date of the unveiling of the peal tablet to be erected in Cubitt Town Church to commemorate the ladies' peal.

The three juvenile members of Mr. F. J. Johnston's family at Hinton, Worcestershire, have rung another handbell peal; this time in four methods of Doubles. A remarkably creditable performance for such young folks.

Mr. J. R. Barton, of 71, Caledonia Street, Scarborough, having secn the inquiry in our last issue as to ringing at Scarborough, asks us to state that any ringers visiting that town during the Whit-week conference of the Manchester Unity of Oddfellows will be gladly welcomed at the tower. If they are desirous of taking a rope in either a peal or touches and will write to him he will be happy to make the necessary arrangements. The Whit-Sunday ringing at the Parish Church will be from 9 to io a.m., and 5.45 to $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

Congratulations to the Mitcham band upon their first peal of Cambridge Surprise Major, which is the first in the method for the Surrey Association.

Miss Playle, whose first peal, rung at Dagenham, we record this week, has the honour of being the first ringer of the gentler sex to score a peal for the Essex Association. As a matter of fact she is the only lady ringing member of the Association, and after the peal she was complimented by the band, and listeners outside, on the way in which she rang.

The King's visit to Crewe on Monday was celebrated at the Parish Church by a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal (I320 changes) rung in 59 minutes, the first quarterpeal in the method on the bells: W. T. Holding $1, R$. T. Holding, junr., 2, J. H. Riding 3, H. F. Holding 4, R. Langford, senr., 5, W. F. Hartshorne 6, G. H. Crawley 7, A. Crawley 8, J. Dentith 9, R. T. Holding senr., Io.

The first peal of Stedman Cinques on the bells of St. Mary's, Oldham, was recorded last week. It is somewhat remarkable that it should have been left to this late date for the accomplishment of such a performance, for there have been twelve bells in the tower for generations.

One of the most noteworthy peals ever rung in the tower was achieved over eighty years ago, when the then record of Kent Treble Bob Maximus was beaten, and curiously enough the peal which was then surpassed at Oldham was a 7200 rung by the St. Martin's Youths of Birmingham, 93 years ago this month (April 17 th).

The Oldham peal, rung about twelve years later, is recorded on a tablet in the following terms: " On the 6th day of March, 1832, was rung in this tower $739^{2}$ changes of Kent Treble Bob Maximus, in 5 hrs. 14 mins. 32 secs., by the following persons: Jos. Newton (conductor), i; Jno. Jackson, 2; Jno. Newton, 3; Jas. Mills, 4; Jas. Jackson, 5; Thos. Nicholson, 6; Wm. Rigby, 7; Jno. Brierley, 8; Ed. Taylor, 9; Jno. Whitehead, io; Thos. Chadderton, II; Abram Jackson, 12. Weight of the tenor $34 \mathrm{cwt}$. ." This record stood only until the December of the next year, when it was beaten by the 10,224 at Painswick.

It will be noticed that in the band at Oldham are names still familiar in Lancashire ringing circles. There were two Newtons, and the peal of Stedman Cinques on Saturday week was a farewell to Mr. Richard Newton, of Manchester, who is sailing on the 29th for Boston, U.S.A.

Very few peals of Treble Bob on odd numbers have been recorded, but Oldham can claim at least one of these, for on January 1st, 1847, a peal of Kent Treble Bob Cinques was rung there.

Another famous performance at Oldham was a peal of 14,oi6 Kent Treble Bob Major rung on February 12th, 1821, at the old church of St. Paul, which was replaced by the present St. Mary's Church. Several of those who took part in the long peal of Maximus were in the Major, which was rung in 7 hrs .26 mins. by Joseph Newton, conductor, 1; James Mills, 2; John Brierley, 3; James Taylor, 4; William Rigby, 5; Thomas Chadderton, 6; John Whitehead, 7; James Jackson, 8. Tenor 14 cwt.

## THE ANALYSIS COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, -In perusing the report of the Peals Analysis Committee, published in this week's "Ringing World," I notice they do not intend to include the two peals of Minor tapped on handbels by Mr. J. Segar, junr., during 1912. I hope the Council at their annual meeting will negative this proposal, and give to these two peals at least the same number of points as would be allowed for similar peals rung on handbells retained in hand. Tapping peals on handbells is a great mental strain, and I consider worthy of encouragement. As far as the report for 1912 is concerned, the decision would, of course, only affect Mr. Segar, but already in 1913 another gentleman has como out as a peal tapper, and there may be many others who will try to accomphish similar performances. I trust the Council will recognise the merit due to theso gentlemen, and decide to award points. I should like to congratulate the Peals Analysis Committee on their most exhaustive report, and hope the best thanks of the Exercise will be acoorded to them for what must have entailed considerable time and labour.-Yours faithfully,

Retford.
GEO. R. WINTER.
Owing to a line being dropped into the wrong place in the report of the Analysis Committee, published last week, the last paragraph was made to appear in confused form. It should have read follows:-
"Young ringers are still, we are glad to see, coming on. We find them as young as 11. In one peal the ages of four of the ringers were 12, 13, 15 and 16, while in another the ages varied from 12 to 17 , giving an average of 15 . On the other hand we find four of 70 and over and one of 86! May he be spared to ring more peals yet!"

## NEW BELLS AT HORRINGER.

At the pretty little village of Horringer, near Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk, two trebles have been added to complete the octave, the new bells having been placed in the tower in memory of the Rev. Lord and Lady Arthur Charles Hervey by their eight surviving children. The Rev. Lord Hervoy was for some years Rector of Horringer, subsequentiy being appointed Bishop of Bath and Wells. In September of last year, the restoration of the church fabric was undertaken, the tower, which had been in a bad state of repair for years, being taken down to the level of the bell chamber, and rebuilt and new pinacles added, a crack, which had extended from roof to ground, being also worked up. Extensive repairs were also carried out to the church, which now presents a fine appearance. The work of rchanging the bells was carried out by Messrs. Day and Sons, of Eye. The 3rd and 4th have been placed in a rider frame, and the otiner six have been hung in the old bell frame, made in 1818, and which has been bolted and strengthened. The tenor has been recast, the old bells quarter-turned, and all of them rehung with the most modern fittings. The treble and second are naturally a greai improvement to the peal, and will be a source of increased pleasure to lovers of bell music. The following are the inscriptions on the new bells:-
Treble: In memory of Arthur Charles Hervey, the gift of his eight surriving children, 1912. Mears and Stainbank, founders (weight, 3 cwt. 0 qrs. 4 lbs.).
2nd: In memory of Patience Hervey, the gift of her eight surviving children, 1912. Mears and Stainbank, founders (weight, 3 cwt. 0 qrs. 15 lbs.).
Tenor (reproduced inscription): The gift of Arthur Bronks, Esq., the Rev. Foster, M.A., Rector, William Dodson, founder, 1818; (added) Recast 1912, Mears and Stainbank, founders, London. Day, Eye, hung us (woight, 9 cwt. 0 qrs. 3 lbs., in A flat).
The bells were dedicated by the Ven. Archdeacon of Sudbury (th) Rav. George Hodges). Dean of Ely Cathedral, and formerly Vicar of St. James' Church, Bury St. Fdmunds. The service, which was largely attended, was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. Lord Manners Hervey), and commenced with the singing of the hymn, "We love the place, O God." After special Psalms and lessons, the Archdeacon preached an eloquent sormon from Numbers x, 2. He spoke of the history and uses of bells, remarking that there was nothing that bad so intimate an association with the affairs of men in this land of ours as the parish bells.

After the dedicatory prayers the bells were rung. While the clergy and choir returned from benoath the tower to the chancel, the hyinn, "Blessed city, heavenly Salem," was sung, and a solemn apd impressive service concluded with the Benediction pronounced by the Archdeacon. For eome time after service, short touches of Grandsire Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung, the ringers including the following: Messrs. H. A. Turner, A. E. Moore, J. Sparrow, C. Woodcock, F. Ely, F. G. Dewell, F. Levitt, J. Chinery and R. Wilding (Ixworth), members of the St. James' Society, Bury St. Jdmunds; G. Debenham, J. Debenham, J. Gooch, J. Cater and W. Salisbury, of Horringer. The first peal on the bells was rung on Saturday week by members of the St. James' Sqciety, Bury St. Edmunds, as recorded in our last issue.
CROYDON.-At the Parish Church, for Confirmation service by the Archbishop of Canterbury, on Sunday, March 2nd, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major: W. S. Wise 1, W. States 2, D. Wright (conductor) 3, E. Miles 4, A. Trappitt 5, A. Clark 6, A. Jones 7, W. Groves 8.

## "The Bells of Shoreditch."



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## THEIR INTERESTING HISTORY.

H. F. C. writes: It may be of interest to the readers of four valuable paper to know that the above peal of bells are now at the foundry of Messrs. Waruer and Sons, and for the benefit of those who treasure history and keep records of old inscriptions, etc., I send the following. Few people will recollect that of the ten bells forming the peal in St. Nary's Church two were for a number of years in St. John's Church, Moulsiam. They were placed there when that building was erected in 1838, but were restored to Chelmsford Parich Church in 1883. The prosent bell at Moulsham was brought from Rettendon, when the ring in that parish was altered thirty years ago. Chelms ford seems to have been rather fond of swopping church bells. In the eighteenth century, St. Mary's hadl a peal of eight, but in or about 1770 the parishioners gare two of them to Writtle in exchange for their chimes which were brought to the county town. According to Morant, there ussd to be "a ring of six beils and a clock," and Muil man notes " a ring of sis bells, a clock, and a set of chimes." Another point of general interest abcut Chelmsford Church bells is that eight of the ring of ten were the first cast, by the famous bell founder, William Mears, when he set up business for himself in the year 1777. One of his little peculiarities was a fondness for poetical inscriptions on his bells, and this he indulged in when casting the peal for St Mary's. The inscriptions run as follows (No. 1 and 2 bear the date 1820, and werc presumably cast by Thomas Mears, grandlon of Wil liam. The remaining eight bells bear the name of William Mears and Co., London, fecit 1777):-
Treble.-The gift of T. Clapham, Wm. Dobson, Downham, Norfolk.
2. The gift of T. Clapham, Wm. Smith, Wm. Baker, and Jno Saltmarsh, Churchwardens.
Tho' much against us may be said,
To speak for ourselves we are not afraid.


## Chelmsford Old Bells in the Chltchyard.

## 4. If you have a judicious ear

You'll own my voice is sweet and clear
5. At proper times our voices we will raise

In sounding to our Benefactors praise
To Honour both of God and King
Our roices shall in concert ring.
7. Thos. Clapham, B. Clapham, and R. Shoobridge Bes. Peaco and good neighbourhood.
Ye ringers all that prize your health and happiness,
Be sober, meryy, wise and you'll the same possess.
Tenor. The Rev. Jno. Morgan, Rector; Messrs. Geo. Simpson, Juo. Ward and Matw. Joyce, Churchwardens, 1777.
In wedlock bands all ye who join
With hands your hearts unite.
So shall our tuneful tongues combine
To laud the nuptial Rite.
The inscriptions on the bells at Chelmsford are also found on those in the towers at Walthamstow, Hornchurch and Great Baddow.
The illustration shows the bells in the Churehyard reaily for the removal to the foundry, and is from a photograph by Mr. Breach, of Chelmsford. While in the Churchyard the bells and frame proved of great interest to the public, especially the decayed beams, several of which had only been held in position by the floor boards.
"Ye Olde Chelmesforde Fete," in aid of the fund for the restoration of the bells, which opened at the Corn Exchange on Saturday, was one of the most intaresting and attractive events that lhave been held in Chelmsford for a vary leng time. 'The opening ceremony was performed at 2.30 by Lady Beatrice Pretyman, the High Sheriff of Essex (Mr. Chartes Round) being the chairman. Arnong the speakers was the Bishop of Barking, Lord Kenyon, and Mr. E G. Pretyman, M.P. It was announced that "on ye entrance of ye Lady Beatrice Pretyman ye Boreham Handbell Ringers will strike a merrie peale.'
Three pageant episodees of Chelmsford of "ye olde daies" were given in "ye playhouse." These episodes formed an attractive feature of the fete. During saturday afternoon there was a lantern
lecture by Mr. Robert Warner, of Messis. John Warner and Sons, the bell founders, of Spitalfields, London, on "Bell founding." This was particularly appropriate, as it is to meet the expense of recasting the bells, as well as the cost of cleaning the clock, that the fete had been arranged.
The following " Ode to ye bells" was circulated, and the treble bell of the old eight, having been kept behind and stood mouth upwards for the public to throw coins in, quite a useful sum was collected in this way:-

Once some British Workmen cams from London town,
With pulley blocks and tackle to take the 10 bells down.
Yossibly you'll wonder why this thing was done,
Those who know will tell you it wasn't done for fun.
Our frame was rather shaky, and tone we seemed to lack,
We also thought it likely that some of us might crack.
Our gudgeon pins were worn, sir, and what is really more,
The beams were found defective when they opened up the floor.
Our "friendly neighbour" in the 'Tower refused to stay alone,
And if you cast your eyes aloft his face is only stone.
So 9 have gone to London Town and left me here to say,
Our restoration much depends on what our friends will pay.
The Fete is for this object, so kindly gather round,
And help us just a tiny bit io make $£ 1,000$.
For if you take the clapper andi strike me once or twice,
You'll find my note, "E flat," is really rather nice.

## RINGERS' PRESENTATION TO RECTOR.

## HALESWORTH AND OHEDISTON SOCIETIES AT DINNER.

'The Ealesworth and Chediston (Suffolk) Ringers' Societies were entertained to dinner at the Swan Hotel by their President, the Rev. A. R. Upcher, who took the chair. The Rector was supported by Mr. FI. A. Mullens, churchwarden, Miss M. de B. Upcher, Miss A. Burton. Messrs. F. C. Lambert (secretary), Jas. Howard (treasurer), W. Baker (assistant secretary), E . Cady (tower keeper), Chediston, and the full strength of the local company, 25 in all, including honorary members from Southwold, Sibton, Henham, Westhall, Rumburgh, aud Wissett.

At the conclusion of the dinner the usial loyal toasts were honoured, and "The Churehwardens" was next given, and cordially received. Mr. Mulens, in response, testified to the interest taken by the ringers as Church workers,- and the pleasure it gave him to be present with them that; evening. They were sorry this would be the Last time their Rector would be with them as their president, and he felt sure he was voicing the feelings of all in wishing him long life, health and happiness.

## A GIFT FOR TFIE RECTOR.

During the evening, Mr. F. C. Lambert, on behalf of the INalesworth Society, asked the Rector to accept a small token of their esteem and regard for him, in the shape of a case of silver-mounted briar-root pipes with amber mouthpiece, inscribed on a silver shield: "Preeented to Rev. A. IR. Upcher, M.A., by the Halesworth Sociaty of Ringers, 1913." He hoped he would long be spared to use them, and that they would remind him of the happy gatherings they had had together in the past. -The reverend gentleman, in thanking the company for their present, said he should always have a warm place in his heart for the ringers of his old parish, and hoped they would go on and prosper, and accord the same loyal support to the new Rector as he had himself received from them. In conclusion, he cordially in vited them to come over to Stradbroko and attempt a peal on the fine bells there.
The Sacretary's report was then read, which showed that the ringing for Sunday services had been well maintained, the practices kept up regularly, and that members had taken part in 21 peals during the past year at various towers in the district. A fresh method (Stedman Triples) had been practised, and they were successful with the kind help of their friend, Mr. H. Barton, in getting a good peal on the Southmold bells on Easter Monday. The addition of a new treble at Chediston Church had been a great help to them in their six bell practice, and he was pleased to report that a farewell peal to their Ractor had been rung there on the Mouday evening previous. Taking things all round, this had been their most successful year as a society -The treasurer, Mr. Jas. Howard, read a statement of accounts, showing a balance in hand.

The election of officers was next proceeded with, the Rev. A. Crompton Moore, M.A., being chosen President of the Society.-The Rev. A. R. Upcher's name was added to the list of vice-presidents, and the secretary and treasurer were re-elected with thanks for past services.Courses of Grandsire Gaters and Stedman Triples were rung on the handbells, and several good songs given by members during the even-ing.-A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded the President at the elase of the proceedings for his attendance and kind entertainment.

## THANKS.

To the Fditor
Sir,-I should very much like to thank the members of the Surrey Association, through the medium of "The Ringing World," for the handsome sum which the committee decided to give me for writing the peals in the Associat on Peal Book, the sum mentioned being upwards of eleven pounds. Tha mombers live too far and wide for me to thank them without your help.-Yours truly,

Banstead.
JOHN BEAMS.

## NOTICES.

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THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY will hold their annual meeting to-morrow, Saturday, April 26th, at the Parish Church, Ashton. Bells available from 4 o'clock p.m. Business meeting at 7 o'clock p.m. All ringers invited.-Charles Bower, Honorary Secretary, 25, Chadwick Street.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -Established 1637 .-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on April 2gth; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 29th. Also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. All at 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.-The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Hornsey, on Saturday, April 26th, by kind permission of the Rector (Rev. B. Spink). Bells available from 3.30. Short service at 5.15, to which all ringers are earnestly invited. Tea in St. Mary's Hall, Brook Road, at 6 o'clock, 6d. each. All members and friends welcome.-C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - South and West District.-The next meeting will be held at Putney on Saturday, April 26th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea at 6 at a small charge.-H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints', West Ham, on Saturday, April 26th. Tower open at 3.30. Tea in the Mission Hall at 5.30. - F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary, 3, Hart's Lane, New Cross, S.E.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-A quarterly meeting will be held at Solihull on Saturday, April 26th. Bells (io) available from 3.30. Tea at Mason's Arms Hotel, $5 \cdot 30,9 \mathrm{~d}$. per head, followed by business meeting. - A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, I i, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD. - The annual meeting of the above Guild will be held at Dudley on Saturday, April 26th. Bells available at $3 \cdot 30$. Service in church at 5 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. A. Gray Maitland (President), with an address by the Rev. J. A. Price, M.A., Vicar of Coseley. Business meeting afterwards. Subscriptions are due at this meeting.-Herbert Sheppard, Honorary Secretary, 66, Himley Road, Dudley.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Chippenham on Saturday, April 26th. The bells of St. Paul (8) will be available till 4.55 and from 7 to 8 in the evening. Meeting at the Church Hall, near the Parish Church, at 4.30 p.m. Service at the Parish Church at 5.30 p.m. - IV. A. Cave, Honorary Secretary.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - A quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Sutton Coldfield, on Saturday, April 26 th. Bells (8) available from 3.30 p.m. Tea will be arranged if sufficient members let me know by April 2Ist. - Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham District.-The next quarterly meeting of this district will be held at Chislehurst on Saturday, April 26th. Bells available at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service, with address by the Rev. J. E. Dawson (Rector), at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. All outstanding subscriptions should be paid now, so that a true report can be read at the annual meeting. - T. Groombridge, Honorary District Secretary, 34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Derby Dis-trict.-A meeting of the above will be held at Ripley on Saturday, April 26th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. All ringers and friends invited. - Bart Mitchell, Honorary District Secretary, 68, Douglas Street, Derby.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual meeting will be held at Lincoln on Saturday, April 26th. Evensong: in the Cathedral at 4 o'clock punctually, with address by the Dean. Tea in Co-operative Hall, Free School Lane, at 5.30. Meeting after tea. It is hoped that ringers will make a special effort to attend the service in the Cathedral. Ringing at St. Peter-at-Arches, St. Peter-at-Gowts and St. Botolph's in the afternoon.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch.The next meeting will be held at Lincoln on Saturday, April 26th. Service in the Cathedral at 4 p.m. Tea in the Co-operative Hall at 5.30, meeting following. Bells available: St. Peter-at-Arches and St. Peter-at-Gowts 2.30 to 3.30 , St. Botolph's 2.30 to 3.15 and 8 to 9 p.m. Those intending to be present kindly notify me by April 2Ist.-S. Proctor, Secretary, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.- Northern Branch.The annual meeting of the above will take place in the Cooperative Hall, Lincoln, on Saturday, April 26th, 1913. Tea at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., to be followed by meeting. For further particulars see circular.-J. W. Seamer.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-A meeting for practice will take place at Little Comberton on Saturday, April 26 th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Methods: Grandsire and BobDoubles and Minor.-J. Hemming, Branch Secretary, io, Church Bank, Hampton, Evesham.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at Ospringe on Saturday, May 3 rd, 1913. Tower opened from 3 till 9 p.m. Divine service at 5 p.m., with an address by the Vicar. Tea provided at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Parish Room, Water Lane. Business meeting after tea. The Faversham bells will also be available from $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will all those who intend being present kindly let me know by Tuesday, April 29th, and will secretaries of bands kindly see that all subscriptions are paid before the meeting. - E. Trendell, Honorary District Secretary, Boughton, Faversham.

GUILD OF CHANGE RINGERS FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP. - The next meeting of the above Guild will be held at Whitchurch on Saturday, May 3rd, i9I3. Ringing at 3 p.m., meeting 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Train leaves Shrewsbury 2.18 p.m.--H. B. Beckwith, Honorary Secretary, Ridgemount, Shrewsbury.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Yorktown District. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Farnborough on Saturday, May 3rd. The bells will be available from 3 p.m. Tea in the Jubilee Hall at $5 \cdot 30$. All ringers will be gladly welcomed.-G. B. Edser, i7o, Gipsy Road, West Norwood.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. - The annual meeting of this society will be held on Saturday, May 3rd, at Ranmoor, Sheffield. Church of St. John the Evangelist, 8 bells (tenor I5 cwt.)., available 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., except during the business meeting. A committee meeting will be held in the schools at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to settle the fixtures for the ensuing i2 months. General meeting at 6 p.m. at the same place. The business will include election of officers for the ensuing year, presentation of balance sheet, secretary's report, etc., and a good attendance is particularly requested. Tea will be provided free to members only in the Schools at about 5 p.m. Committeemen are particularly requested to notify me not later than April 29th of the approximate number from their respective companies likely to require tea. Visitors should take a Fulwood car from the City terminus, as these pass tine church.-J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, II, Havelock Street, Sheffield.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at the Bear Hotel, Lewes, on Saturday, May 3rd. Luncheon at one o'clock. Members' tickets Is. 6d. each. The Lord Bishop of Chichester will preside, and also at the business meeting to follow. Further particulars as to service and times for ringing will be announced later on through the post. Half fareswith a maximum of 2 s .-will be allowed members attending, but they are requested to avail themselves as far as possible of the cheap fares. Those intending being present should notify same to me not later than Wednesday, the 3oth inst. - G. Watson, Honorary Secretary, Vale Road, St. Leonards.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

 -Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery.-The annual meeting at Midsomer Norton, May 3rd. Bells available 2 p.m. Evensong 4.15 p.m. Tea and business 5 p.m. All ringers, whether members or not, cordially invited. I. B. Holmyard, Honorary Secretary, Midsomer Norton.WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Guildford District.-A district meeting will be held at Binsted, on Saturday, May 3 rd, 19ı3. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service, 5.30 , the Vicar will address the ringers; tea, 6.15 , in the Institute. Tea tickets, members 6d., visitors is.John J. Jones, Honorary Secretary, North Street, Guildford.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.Next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Chigwell, on Saturday, May 3rd, 19I3. Ringing will commence at 3 o'clock, tea, at usual price, at $5 \cdot 30$, business meeting after tea. Will members intending to be present at tea kindly notify me by Wednesday, April 3oth. - H. Rumens, Honorary Secretary, 32, Verulam Avenue, Walthamstow, N.E.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.'Castle Cary Branch. - The next meeting of the above named branch will be held at Marston Magna on Saturday, May 3rd, 1913. Service in the Parish Church 4.I5 p.m. Tea at the Red Lion Hotel 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow.-T. G. Vincent, Wraxall, Shepton Mallet.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.-Bridgwater Deanery Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Chedzoy on Saturday, May 3rd. Service 4 p.m., tea and meeting following. Bells available from 2 p.m.W. G. Sellick, Branch Secretary, The Cottage, Huntspill, Bridgwater.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOC-IETY.-The next meeting will be held at Shipley on May 3 rd, at 3 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m. at the Sun Hotel, Shipley. - F. Hopwood, Secretary, 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke, Bradford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at St. Anne's, Denton, on Saturday, May 3rd. Bells will be available from 5 p.m. Meeting at $7 \cdot 30 .-W$. W. Wolstencroft, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rossendale Branch.-The next branch meeting will be held at St. Thomas', Helmshore, on Saturday, May 3rd, I9r3. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good attendance is earnestly requested. - J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Winchester District.-A quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, May 3rd, at Lockerly and Tytherly. The bells of both towers available from 2.30 p.m. The Vicar of Lockerly has kindly invited members to tea at the Vicarage at 5.15. Members intending to be present will oblige by letting me know by Wednesday, April 3oth. - James W. Elkins, District Secretary, 20, Culver Villas, Winchester.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Renhold on Saturday, May 3 rd.-John W. Barker, District Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at St. Bartholomew's ( 6 bells) on Saturday, May 3rd, at 6 o'clock. Meeting $7 \cdot 30$. -G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.
WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Dorking and Leatherhead District. -The next quarterly meeting will be held at Newdigate on Saturday, May 3 rd. Tea will be provided at the Crown Inn, Capel, at 5.30 p.m. Bells available: Newdigate 3 to 4.30 p.m., Capel 6.15 p.m. Short service, with an address, at Capel Parish Church at 5 p.m. All ringers will be gladly welcomed.-Rev. L. E. Burgess, Honorary Secretary, Dorking.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting will be held at Rochester on Whitsun Monday, May izth. Service at the Cathedral 4 p.m. Tea at Victoria Hall, Star Hill, $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Application for tea tickets must be sent to the honorary secretary not later than Thursday, May 8th.-Fred J. O. Helmore, Honorary Secretary, Canterbury.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIA-TION.-The annual meeting will be held at Thrapston on Whit-Monday, May 12th. The bells of Thrapston and Islip will be at liberty for ringing from 10 a.m. to 11.45 , and from 3 to $7 \cdot 30$. Service at the Parish Church, Thrapston, at 12 noon. Luncheon, with meeting to follow, at the White Hart Hotel at i o'clock. Members is. each. Non-members 2s. each.-F. Wilford, General Secretary, 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting of the above will be held on Whit-Monday at West Ham. Divine service will be held in the Parish Church, with an address by the Vicar of Barking at II.3o. Business meeting at 12.30. Dinner at I.30. The following towers will be open: Bow, Leytonstone, Wanstead, Woodford, Barking Road, St. Mary's and St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, and West Ham. Members requiring dinner please send notice, without fail, to the honorary secretary before Wednesday, May $7^{\text {th. - I-Ienry T. W. Eyre, Honorary Secre- }}$ tary, Great Totham Vicarage, Witham.

THE LADIES' GUILD.-The annual general meeting of the above Guild will be held at Birmingham on WhitMonday, May I2th. It is hoped that all members will endeavour to be present. Further particulars later.Edith K. Parker, Honorary Secretary, 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

CHANGE OF ADDRESSES.-Mr. Francis E. Dawe has removed to Woodcote, Kingsway, Woking.-Mr. John Jaggar, late of Bee Hive, Langley Green, has removed to The Wrexham (opposite Parish Church), Oldbury. Wines and spirits of the finest quality.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY. - Mr. W. Clayton, 9, Lodge Road, Wallington, has been appointed steeplekeeper at St. Mary's Church, and to him all communications should be addressed.

GRAND PRIZE RINGING CONTEST', at St. John's Church, Kirkheaton, near Huddersfield, on Whit-Tuesday, May $13^{\text {th }}$, when prizes to the value of $£ \mathrm{I} 7$ r 7 s . will be given. For further particulars apply to Frank Hardy, Haigh's Buildings, Lepton, near Huddersfield.

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## CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

A fairly well attended meeting was held at Raunds on Saturday, Then touches of Double Norwich and Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples and Bob Minor were rung by members from Thrapstone, Woodford, Addington, Denford, Higham Ferrers, Irthlingborough, and the local band. Miss Evelyn Steel, of Bedford, also took part in most of the ringing.-Tea was provided in the Church Institute.-Afterwards, a short business meeting was held, presided over by the Vicar (the Rev. C. C. Aldred), supported by the curate (the Rev. C. N. Daybell), and Mr. F. Stubbs (district secretary). Woodford was chosen for the next meeting, on July 19th. The Vicar was made an hon. member, and one new member from Thrapstone was also elected.
Mr. J. Nickerson proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, to the local ringers, and to the ladies for so ably waiting on them at the tea, remarking that they always had a hearty welcome at Raunds.- The Vicar, in reply, said he was very pleased to weloome the Association, and hoped they would soon come again. He also thanked them for making him an hon. member. The members afterwards visited the tower, and further touches were rung.

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I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING.

The arrangements made for the meeting of the Central Council at Newcastle are published in this issue, and it is obvious that the Durham and Newcastle Association intend to make the visit a social success. It cannot be expected that there will be so large a gathering as that which assembled in London last year, for this journey "farthest north" is a rather formidable one for the members from the south. Nevertheless, we expect to find the meeting a representative one.

The agenda is not a heavy one, on paper, although the subjects may well lead to considerable and interesting debate. We are not surprised to see put down for discussion:

The possibility of an unfavourable change in the attitude of the general public towards bell-ringing as a result of the increasing number of peals annually rung." This is a matter which, despite all that may be said to the contrary, is of increasing importance to us as church bellringers. The motion, which has been placed on the agenda, is in very general terms, and will afford the fullest opportunity for the ventilation of every point of view, and, because from a multitude of counsellors we may expect wisdom, as the outcome of this discussion we hope to find some practical advice given. The step necessary to avoid a growth of hostile public opinion need not necessarily be confined to a reduction of peal ringing. There is the important alternative of the structural arrangements in the tower, which, with comparatively small expenditure, can be made very effectually to reduce the cause of annoyance which a sensitive public may experience. If the influence of the Council can be brought to bear successfully in this direction it will accomplish a great and valuable work in strengthening the position of our Art.

In another resolution which is to be proposed, the Council are to be asked to say that Superlative Surprise Royal, as published by Shipway, is the same method as Superlative Surprise Major. This is a question for the theoretical experts, and while it is necessary that these disputed questions should be definitely and authoritatively settled, it is a matter in which the merely practical men of the Exercise can take little interest, particularly as Superlative Royal is a method which is not rung.

The proposal to admit the Ladies' Guild to representation is only the natural sequel to the establishment of an organisation among the fair sex, and although they do not at present possess a membership ( 75 ) which would entitle them to representation, it will not be long before that position will be reached, so rapidly are their ranks increasing. The only other resolution on the agenda is that calling renewed attention to a previous decision of the Council that seven days' notice of any attempt for a peal record should be given.

# CHARLES CARR, 



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The CHURCHWARDENS undte with ME in this expression of opinion. The BELLRINGERS are shiso unanimous in their praise of she alterations effected by you.

Youre truly,
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## TEN BELL PEALS.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Monday, April 21, 1913, in Thice Hours and Five Minutes, At the Chorch of Sr. Thomas,
A PEAL OF GRANISIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES;
Tenor 22 cwt.
Gilbert Guest ... ... ...T Teble John Goodman, Junt. ... 6
William Goodman ... ... 2 Harry Goodman ... ... 7
Samuel Spittle ... ... ... 3 Horace Belcher ... ... 8
William Mills ......$\quad$... 4 Benjamin Gougii ... ... 9
John Goodman, Sent. ... 5 Charles Faulks ... ...Tenoy

> Composed by the late W. Micklewright, and
> Conducted by John Goodman, Junr.

This peal was rang as a farewell to Harry Goodman, a much respected member of the Dudley band, who set sail for Canada on April 26th. At the conclusion of the peal the ringers expressed their regret in losing such a capable ringer and wished him God-speed and every success in his new sphere of labour.

WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCIIDEACONIKY OF STAFFORD. On Wednesday, April 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Matthew,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt.

Christopher Hick ... ...Tycble Edwin J. Tyler ... ... 6 Edgar Marlow ... ... 2 *Edgar T. Smith ... ... 7 \begin{tabular}{llll|llllll}
Thomas Hughes ...... \& 3 \& Thomas Hill \&... \&... \&... \& 8 <br>
Chentamin Gough \& ... \& ... \& 9

 

Christopher Wallater \& 4 \& Benjamin Gough \&... \&... <br>

- Thomas Bloore \& ... \&.. \& 5 \& Thomas J. Elton <br>
The
\end{tabular} Composed by Christopher Wallater, and Conducted by Thomas J. Elton.

*First peal of Royal. Rung in honour of St. George's Day.

CANTERBURY, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,
At the Cathedral Chorch of Christ,
A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN CATERS, 5107 CHANGES;
Tenor 30 cwt .
†James Tulett ... ... ...Treble $\mid$ Rev. F. J. O. Helmore... 6
*Rev. A. H. F. Boughey... 2 Charles W. Brett ... 7
William Haigh ... ... 3 Arthur A. Andrews ... 8
Edinin G. Buesden... ... 4 † †Edward A. G. Allen ... 9 Frederick G. Brett.. $.5 \begin{array}{lll}5 & \text { William J. Walker ...T Tenor }\end{array}$ Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by Edivin G. Buesden.

* First peal of Stedman Caters on tower bells. † First peal of Caters.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

EYE, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, March 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutcs,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt.

| Henry Turner |  | ...Treble | James Motts ... ... | ... 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Richard Last |  |  | Charles Catchpole |  |
| William Clover |  | 3 | Frederick Day ... | ... 7 |
| Edgar Pemberton |  | 4 | George W. Moss | entor |

Composed by A. Knights, and Conducted by J. Mots.

## FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORIVICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Or Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDCE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGE8;

Tenor 17 cwt., in $F$.
Leonard P. Bailey ... ...Treble | Frederick R. Borrett... 5 James M. Bailey ... ... 2 Ernest S. Bailey ... ... 6
Charles Baker ......$\quad$... 3 William Steele ..... .7
Edgar H. Bailey ... ... 4 Charles F. Bailey ... Tenor Composed by C. Middleton, and Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.
First peal of Cambridge on the bells.

## BRAINTREE.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, April 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Michael the Archangel,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 12 cwt. I qr. 4 lbs., in F sharp.
Walter Sadler... ... ...Treble
George F. Williams ... 2
Edward Claydon ... ... 6
George Melbourne... ... 4 Enest Newman ... ... Tenor
Composed by Henry Johnson, and
Conducted by George F. Williams.

## TODMORDEN.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Rochdale Branch.)
On Monday, April 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Unitarian Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Holt's Ten-Part.
Ernest Sutcliffe ...
†James Whitehead ... ...Treble
.. .2
Harry Greenwood...
*Gill Sutcliffe
Conducted by James Whitehead.
*First peal. † First peal as conductor.
FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, April 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lbs.
William Ostler... ... ...Treble John C. Self... ... ... 5 Stanley Bonney ... ... 2 Hobart E. Smith ... ... 6 Roibert H. Hayward $\quad \cdots \begin{array}{lll} & 3 & \text { A. Watson } \\ \text {... } & . . . & . . . \\ 7\end{array}$ William Flory ... ..... .4 George E. Symonds ...Tenoy Composed by J. J. Brierley, and Conducted by George E. Symonds.
*First peal. Rung in honour of St. George's Day.

## BECKINGTON.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Weduesday, April 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Miautes, At the Church of St. Gregory,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;
Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor if cwt.
 George H. Archard … 3 Walter S. Borbidge ... 7 Robert H. Legg ... ... 4 Ernest C. Rodford ...Tenor Conducted by Arthur J. West.

* First peal. + First peal as conductor. First peal by the Melksham band.


## ROMSEY, HANTS

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, April 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Abbey Church of SS. Mary and Ethelfleda, A PEAL OF STEDMAR TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 25 cwt . o cir. 8 lbs ., in D. George Williams ... ...Treble | Henry W. Wilkes ... 5 James Elcombe ... ... ... 2 | Frederick Precey ... ... 6 John S. Romming ... ... 3 | Robert P. Knight... ... 7 Leonard Harris $\ldots . . . .4$ | Gideon Webb ... 4 ... .... Tenor Conducted by George Williams.
Rung in honour of St. George's Day.
ROMFORD, ESSEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, April 24, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Edward,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES; Tenor 17 cwt.

| Arthur Chaplin | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Treble | Reuben Sanders | .. | .. | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| George H. Jaye | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Harry F. Dawkins | $\ldots$ | 6 |  |  |
| George R. Pye ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | William Pye ... | .. | .. | 7 |  |
| William Miller | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Ernest Pye | $\ldots$ | .. | .. | Thor | Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and

Conducted by Ernest Pye.
This was the conductor's gooth peal.

## MARGATE.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(St. John the Baptist's Company.)
On Thursday, April 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. Parker's Six-Part.
*George Enderby ... ...Treble
Archibald C. Kay ... ... 2
Arthur H. Sayby ... ...
Ernest L. Burgess ... 4 Charles W. Player ... 7 Ernest L. Burgess ... 4 Herbert Lade... ... ...Tenor Conducted by C. W. Player.

* First peal away from tenor. Rung as a wedding peal for Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Saxby.


## NOTTINGHAM

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, April 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirtsen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 GHANEES;

## Tenor 2 I cwt.

| $\dagger$ Frank Johnson... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Treble | Frederick S. Price | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| - albert Coppock | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | J. Charles Dicken... | ... |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |  |

*Albert Coppock ....... 2 J. Charles Dicken......
William Clifford, Sent. 3 †Walter Ayre ... ... ... 7
Arthur Lowe ... ... ... 4 Percival Price $\quad$...... Thor
Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by Albert Copfock.

* 50th peal. † First peal in the method. First Surprise peal on the bells and the first ever rung in Nottingham by a local band. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of $2 \mathrm{nd}, 3 \mathrm{rd}, 5^{\text {th }}$ and 8th, and also to William Clifford, Junr., all the birthdays occurring in April.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, April 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At Christ Chorch, Blackfriars,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 GHANGES;
Tenor is cwt.
Ernest E. Grimes ... ...Tyeble ! Arthur N. Hardy ... ... 5
Alfred W. Grimes ... ... 2 Edwin F. Pike... ... ... 6
Harold Burton... ... ... 3 | James Hunt ......
Frank Bennett... ... ... 4 James E. Davis ... ...Tenor
Composed by W. Willson, and
Conducted by James E. Davis.

## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, April 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
a PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, b088 CHANGES;


## FARNHAM, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, April 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrev,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 21 cwt .


> Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and Conducted by Charles Edwards.

* First peal of Major. † First peal on eight bells. welcome home to the Rector and Mrs. Campbell Crum.


## HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 26, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF KENT TREble bOB MAJOR, 5184 Ghances;
Tenor 8 cwt o qr: 3 lbs ., in A flat.

... ...Treble
Pearson
2

C Pearson 2 George jemins Rev. William C. Pearon | Renest E. Lanham | .. | .. | 3 | Thomas W. Last ... | .. | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| David Leggett ... | .. | .. | 4 | Sydney | W. Pidgrim | $\ldots$. |
| Denor |  |  |  |  |  |  | Composed by Willlam Sotranstall, and Conducted by Thomas W. Last.

* First peal and first attempt.


## SOUTHLEIGH, OXON

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Witney and Woodstock Deaneries Branch.) On Saturday, April 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifiy-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
a peal of stedman triples, $50 a 0$ chances; Thorstans' Fodr-Part. Tenor il cwt. Alfred H. Pulling ... ...Treble Willoughby E. Maulden... 2 Albert Brooks ... ... ... 3 Edgar Humpry ... ... ... 4 | George Brooks ... ...Tenor

Rung as a

## a

| †Harry Hurble... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 4 | Edward J. Garratt |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Joseph Faulkner ... ...Treble ${ }^{\text {Whalter Prestidge... ... } 5}$
Albert Prestidge ... ... 2 Alfred Davies ... ... 6
 Conducted by Alfred Davies.

* First peal. † First peal of Grandsire on an inside bell. Rung on: the occasion of a successful bazaar to raise funds for the restoration of the tower, etc.

WEST TOFTS, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Satiriday, April 26, 1913, in Titeree Hours,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB, MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 12 cwt . I qr. 13 lbs .
Charles Carter... ... ...Tveble Frederick Salter...
Alfred Mares ... ... ... 2 Alfred Newson ... ... 6
Frederick Boulson ... ... 3 | William Mears ... ... 7
Thomas Fitzjohn $. . . \quad . . .4$ | Frederick C. Burrows Temós
Composed by George Cross, and Conducted F. C. Burrows.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, April 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes
At the Chorch of St. James, Clerkenvell,
a PEAL OF bRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 GHANGES;
Tenor 22 cwt .
William J. Nudds ... ...Treble Thos. Groombridge, Junr. 5
Alfred W. Grimes ... ... 2 James Hunt ... ... ... 6
Isaac G. Shade ... ... ... 3 | Ernest Pye ... ... ... 7
Reuben Sanders ..... .4 | William Pye ...... ... Tenor
Composed by Arthur Knights, and
Conducted by William Pye
The above is I. G. Shade's roooth peal. The composition, now rung for the first time, is the author's No. 69.

## BURGESS HILL, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT bob mador, 5072 Chances ;



BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor $55 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.


Thomas Worsley | The | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

*Thomas Bratby ... ... 4 *Arthur Sewart ... ...Tenór

* First peal.

NETHERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, April 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-sight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GRAHDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE ;
Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor $12 \ddagger$ cwt. JOhn Monk ... ... ... 5 Rev. Cemil Jenyn

Rung on the occasion of the meeting of the Witney and Woodstock Deaneries Branch at Woodstock.

BENHILTON, SUTTON
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

Joseph A. Lambert ... ...Treble Albert Calyer ... ... 5
James D. Drewett ... ... 2 Thomas Steers ... ... 6
Frank Holder ... ..... .3 Robert Grimwood ... ... 7
Composed by Dr. A. B. Carpenter, and Conducted by Joseph A. Lambert.

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    EWELL, SURREY.
    THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
    On Saturday, April 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
    At the Church of St. Mary,
        A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES;
William Messam ...-..Tyeble \ William H. Corbett ... 5
John Wyatt ... ... ... }3\mathrm{ | 'Richard Kendall ... ... }
-Edward T. Grove ... ... 
        Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and
                        Conducted by A. Dean.
    * First peal of Major.
BRISTOL.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. NICHOLAS GUILD.
On Saturday, April 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
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A PEAL OF 8TEDRAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHAHCES:
Tenor i8 cwt.

Composed by Sir Arthur P. Heywood, Bart., and Conducted by Fred G. May.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the tenor, whose 5oth peal it was ; also to the ringer of the 5th's little son, Eric, aged 5 years.

## ORMESBY.

THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Suturday, April 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At the Parish Church,
a Peal of double morwigh court bob major, 5088 chahces ; Tenor 18 cwt.
 Composed by J. H. Blakiston, and Conducted by John Henry Jones.
*First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor.
HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, April 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
a PEAL OF bOB MAJOR, 5088 Chances; Tenor 13 cwt .

- Percy E. Jones \begin{tabular}{l|llll}
... Tyeble \& Henry H. Chandler \& $\ldots$ \& 5 <br>
$\cdots$ \& 2 \& EdGar Hancox \& $\cdots$ \& $\cdots$ <br>
6

 

*George E. Harbour \&.. \& 2 \& *Edgar Hancox \&.. \&.. \& 6 <br>
Joseph J. Pratt \& ... \& $\cdots$ \& 3 \& Arthur Harding \&.. \&.. \& 7
\end{tabular} William Lawrence... ... 4 William Welling ... ...Tenor Composed by G. F. Wileiams, and Conducted by W. Weliing.

* First peal in the method.


## BURNHAM, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, April 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF dOUble NORWICh COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 Chances; Tenor ro cwt.
William A. Garraway ...Treble Charles Smith Arthur Martin... ... ... 2
 William Welling ... ... 4 Jesse Eidridge ... ... Tenor Composed by J. W. Washbroor, and Conducted by George Martin.
trung as a birthday compliment to Arthur Martin.

WHITBY, YORKSHIRE.
THE CLEVELAND \& NOR'TH YORKSFIIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, April 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHAHGES:
Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Five-Part No. 2. Tenor r8 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. - Mervyn Duck ... ... ...Treble ${ }^{\text {George F. Alexander ... }} 5$ William A. Breckon ... 2 Albert Coates ... ... 6 Arthur Hughes ... ... 3 †John W. Lowther... ... 7 Frank S. Hodgson...... 4 Jonducted by W. A. Breckon. Waters ... ...Tenor

* First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal in the method away from the tenor. Mr. A. Hughes, of London, was elected a member of the above Association previous to starting for the peal.

WITNEY, OXON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Witney and Woodstock Deaneries Branch.)
On Tuesday, April 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Vicars' Six-Part.

## Herbert Long

Albert Broons ... ...Tveble
Ernest Brown...
 Conducted by John Monk.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

HOPTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, April 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720 's each called differently.
Frederick Chaplyn ... ...Tyeble Alfred Newson ... ... 4 Solomon Moule... ... ... 2 William Mears ... ... 5 Horace Haylett $\ldots \ldots . . . \begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & \text { Frederick C. Burrows }\end{aligned}$ Tcnor Conducted by F. C. Burrows.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes. At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being 720 each of Duke of York, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and 360 each of Double and Single Oxford, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure, Grandsire Minor and Plain Bob.

Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
George C. Collins ... ...Tveble | Jack Burles ... ... ... + Ggorge A. Jones ... ... 2 Frederick Hayes ... ... 5 Guy R. Ambrose ….. .3 Frederick M. Mitchell Tenor Conducted by Frederick M. Mitchell.
First peal in ten Minor methods by the Association and by all the band, and rung at the first attempt. Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Coralie E. B. Knowles, eldest daughter of Mr. E. E. Knowles, for many years one of the sidesmen of the above church, and Mr. Leonard Freeborn, of Tilbury, Essex.

## SLINFOLD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Apvil 26, 1913, in Tưo Hours and Fifty four Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANCES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Warnham Court Bob, Canterbury, Oxford and Single Bob, and two 720's of Plain Bob, called differently. -William J Rapley... ...Treble | Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. William Short ... ... 2 fames Burdfield ... ... 4 †Raymond Woods $. . . \quad . . .3$ | 3 William Stanford... ...Tenor Conducted by Witliam Stayford.

* First peal. † First peal of Minor. $\ddagger$ First peal in more than one method. First peal as conductor. Rung, with the bells deeply muffled, as a last token of respect to Miss Kate Child, a highly respected lady of the parish, who passed away a few days previously.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

## LONDON

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, April 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At 3, Hart's Lane, New Cross,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANCES;

## Size 16 , in B flat.

Miss Elsie L. Bennett I-2 | Frank I. Hairs ... ... 5-6 Walter S. Wise

Hevey L Garfath 7 -8

Composed by William $T$. Elson, and Conducted by Frank Bennett. Umpire: Mr. A. Fluck.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS.
THE ELY ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. JAMES SOCIETY
On Thursday, April 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,
IN the Bell Chamber of the Norman Tower
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;
A. Ely

|  | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | I-2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $3-4$ | T. Sparrow |
| Composed by A. T. King ... |  |  |  |
| Cond |  |  |  |

..... .5 5-6 and Uimpire: W. Goodship.
*First peal as conductor.

## HINTON, EVESHAM

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Southern Branch.)
On Sunday, April 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Residence of Mr. F. J. Johnson,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES 5040 CHANGES;

Being eight Six-Scores each of Plain Bob and Canterbury Pleasure, sixteen of St. Dunstan's and ten of Grandsire.
*Miss Ellex M. Johisox I-2 | Joseph D. Johnson
3-4
Miss Ruth Johnson ... 5-6
Conclacted by Miss E. M. Jornson. Umpire: F. J. Johnson.
Witness: Mrs. Jane Lampitt

- First peal as conductor. Rung on the anniversary of their parents' wedding day. Miss Ellen Johnson is the first lady to conduct a peal for the Worcestershire Association.


## DEATH OF MR. S. STRATFORD, HUGHENDEN.

 A PROBISING YOUNG RINGER.By the denrise of Mr. Sidney Stratford at the early age of 18 years, the Hughenden ringers have lost a much-estecmed member, one who will be sadly missed, and whose place in the belfry will not easily be filled.
The deceased took up ringing some two or three years ago, and made rapid strides in: the art, but heart trouble compelled him to abandon his favourite recreation for some time. On recovering somewhat, he again commenced ringing, and became a thoroughly good and reliable ringer, and rarely, if ever, missed either a practice or service. He had committed to memory over twenty methods, and practically all his spare time was spent in reading ringing literature or writing out touches. In fact, almost his last words were to ask for his "Ringing World," to which he looked eagerly forward each week. He was taken ill with inflammation of the brain about a fortnight ago, and became unconscious on the following Sunday morning, and although he reoeived every attention at the hospital to which he was taken, he never rallied, and passed away on Wednesday, April 23 rd.

The funeral took place on Saturday last at Hughenden, four of his fellow ringers acting as bearers, while every member of the belfry was present to pay their last respect, besides ringers from High Wycombe tower, where the deceased was a regular attendant at the practices. The service was fully choral, Mr. Stratford being an old member of the choir. Both Hughenden and High Wycombe ringers sent wreathe.

In the evening touches were rung with the bells fully muffled, and on Sunday muffled ringing took place all day, in the evening a quarterpeal of Stedman being rung by : John Evans 1, Fred Hayes 2, W. Goodchild 3, A. G. Janes 4, R. M. Hawes 5, F. G. Biggs 6, R. H. Biggs (conductor) 7, Jos. Evans 8.
A quarter-peal of Stedman Caters was also rung at High Wycombe on Sunday evening, with the bells half-muffled, under the conductorship of Nir. J. W. Wilkins.

## MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION. <br> THE INSTRUCTION OF BEGINNERS.

For the first time in thre history of the Middlesex Association, a meeting of the North and East District was held at Hornsey and Wood Green on Saturday. It was attended by nearly 50 members and friends, the following towers being reprcsented: Barnet, Edmonton, Finchley, Hadley, Hornsey, St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Southgate, Stamford Hill, Tottenham, Clapton, Wood Green and Walthamstow. The bells of St. Mary's, Hornsey, had been placed at the disposal of the members from 3.30, but owing to the serious illness of a parishioner, ringing lad to be curtailed, and very little was done. However, as the bells of St. Michacl's, Wood Greon, were available for ringing from 7 p.m., the disappointment of not being able to ring at Hornsey was greatly lessened.
To save time, so that full use could be made of the period allowed for ringing at Wood Green, the programme was altered, and the business meeting held first, presided over by Mr. F. A. Milne, vice-president. Ten now members were elected, including three of the local band, and one of the Wood Green band.-Votes of thanks were passed to the Recior of Hornsey (tho Rev. B. Spink) and the Vicar of Wood Green (the Rev. G. C. Midwinter) for the use of the bells at their respective churches, and also to the local ringers for their excecdingly kind wel-come- Reports were received from the Master (Mr. J. Armstrong) and Mr. H. Reeves, of the state of the bands ab Barnct and Hadley, where instuction was being given, and in each case the report was considered quite satisfactory.-A bearty vote of thanks was passed to theso two gentlemen for thair services, and also to Mr. N. A. Tomlinson and other members of the Southgate band, for their as sistanco at Barnet, at which tower great progress had been mader during the last few weeks.-The Hon. Secretary stated that instruction was now being given to four bands affiliated to the society. and that arrangements would be made for an instructor to any band belonging to the Association on application being made.
Tollowing the mesting, a short service was held in St. Mary's Church, conducted by the senior curate (the Rev. E. F. Blenken), who took for the lesson, St. Luke xix. from the 12 th verse, upon which was also based his subscquent very instructive address.

Tea. was served in the Parish Hall, presided over by the Rev. E. F. Blenken, who, on behalf of the Rector, welcomed the Association to Hornsey. He said how sorry he was that they had been disappointed in not being able to ring the bolls, but lroped that when they came again they would be more fortumate.-Mr. F. A. Milne replied, thanking Mr. Blenken for his interesting address at the service, and also for presidng at tea. Thanks were also given to the ladies who had so kindly undertaken the catering.
The whole of the company then adjournsd to Wood Green, where the bells were rung to various methods, including Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single, and Oxford ancs Kent Treble Bob. Much satisfaction was expressed, at the "go" of the bells, which have recently been rehung by Messis. Mears and Stainbank. Members and frierrds of the Association are welcome on Monday evenings, when practice is held at eight oclock, and also at Hornsey on alternate Tuesdays from May 13 til.
The next meeting of the district has been arranged to be held at St. Mathew's, Upper Clapton, on the 31st May.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

THE PROPOSED GIFT TO CHELMSFORD CHURCH.
A very successful meeting of the North Western district was held at Saffron Walden on Saturday wnk, about 38 members being present from Saffron Walden, Stansted, Weiden, Rickling, Bishop Stortford, Cambridge, Ickleton, Braintree, Great Totham, and Coggeshall.-Tea and the business meeting were held in the Parish Room.-The District Master (Mr. F. Pitstow) presided, and was supported by the district secretary (Mr. W. Watts)', the Rer. II. T. W. Eyre (hon. secretary of the Association), and Mr. C. H. Howard (Master of the Association). Mr. Richard Goddird, of Wenden, was elected a ringing member. Harlow St. Mary's and Waltham Abbey were both proposed for the next meeting, and on being put to the vote, Harlow St. Mary's was selectod.-It was decided that a bye-meeting be held at Elmdon some time bofore the wext district meeting.
The Master of the Association (Mr. C. II. Howard) introduced the subject of the proposed gift by the Association of a bell to Chelmsford, and gave an intoresting account of the procecdings up to the present on behalf of that object. -Mr. J. F. Penning supported the suggestion, and proposed that "this meeting approves the proposal to present one bell to Chelmsford, and that the cost should be defrayed from the reserve fund of the Association."-This was seconded by Mr. H. Little, and carried umanimously.
The meeting terminated witli votes of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bolls and of the parish room, and also to the Saffron Walder company for their help towards providing the tea.
Touches in the following methods were rung: London, Cambridge, Suporlative Surprise, Double Norwich, Duffielid and Treble Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsiro Triples.

STOKE NEWINGTON. - On Easter Day, at St. Ann's Church, for evensong, 720 Grandsire Doubles: H. Stubbs 1, F. Nunn 2, E. Davidson 3, F. A. Gerken 4, F. E. Ringrose (conductor) 5, C. Davidson 6.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## ARRANGEMENTS AND AGENDA FOR THE NEWCASTLE MEETING.

The Second Session of the Eighth Council (23rd annual meeting) will be held on Whitsun Tuesday, May 13th, 1913, at I I a.m. punctually, in the Lecture Theatre of the Mining Institute of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The morning sitting will be adjourned from 1 p.m. till 2.30 p.m., from which hour the Council will sit, if necessary, until $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

The Standing Committee will meet previously at 9.45 a.m. in the same room.
N.B.-The Mining Institute is situate in Neville Street, at the corner of Orchard Street, midway between the railway station and the Cathedral, being distant about two minutes' walk from either.

## AGENDA 1913.

1 Minutes of the last Meeting.
2. Statement of Accounts and of Sales of Publications.
3. Election of Honorary Members.
4. Introduction of New Members to the President.
5. Report as to the Resolution passod last year against the Welsh Church Bill.
6. To receive and discuss the Reports of the following Committees (a) Peal Collection.
(b) Literature.
(c) Legilimate Methods.
(d) Peals Analysis.
(e) Towers and Belfries.

To discuss the following:-
7. The possibility of an unfavourable change in the attitude of the general public towards bell ringing as a result of the increasing number of peals annually rung.
8. That the Council is of opinion that Superlative Surprise Royal, as published by Shipway, is the same method as Superlative Surprise Major.
9. That the Ladies' Guild of Change Ringers should be represented on the Council, and, if thought well, to move a resolution on the subject.
10. To call renewed attention to the Council's recommendation passed in 1902, and incorporated in "Rules and Decisions," to the efiect that not less than seven days' notice shall be giren in the columns of the ringing papers stating the tower, day and hour at which any attempt is to be made to surpass any previous peal.
11. To fix the place of meeting for next year
14. Other business, if any.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES, Hon. Secretary.

The President of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association of Change Ringers, Mr. C. L. Routledge, of 62, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne, announces the following arrangements, which he has most kindly made with a view to furthering the comfort and enjoyment of those attending the Council. Anyone needing further help or information is requested to communicate with him.
On Monday, May 12 th, a room has been reserved in the County Hotel, facing the Central Station, from 7 p.m., for the reception and entertainment of representatives and friends on their arrival. Visitors should ask at the hotel office for the "Prince of Wales' Room." There will be handbells and music.
Visitors able to be present at the Whitsuntide meeting of the Durham and Newcastle Association at North Shields and Whitley Bay will be heartily welcomed and entertained by the members. Formal notice of this meeting appears in the columns of this paper.

Arrangements will be made for a Central Council peal on the ten bells at Newcastle Cathedral on Monday, May 12th, at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tenor $37 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cw}$.
Peals will be arranged for those spending the week-end in the district if they will kindly send in their names in good time.

Previous to the soiree and conversazione, which will be held as usual from 9 to II p.m. on Tuesday evening, at the County Hotel, there will be a smoking concert at 7.30 p.m. in the same hotel, to which all visitors and friends are invited.

Endeavours will be made to obtain rooms (private or hotel) for those writing in advance for them.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.

Solihull has ever been a favourite rendezvous of Birmingham ringers, mainly, of course, because the church boasts an excellent ring of ten with a full-breathed tenor of about $19 \frac{3}{4}$ cwts., and partly because it is an excoedingly pretty old-world town, standing only about 7 miles from Birmingham, and well served by the G.W.R.

Here, then, it was decided to hold the first quarterly meeting of the year, and members foregathered for that purpose on Saturday last, when the clerk of the weather served up one of the most disagreeable days it is possible to experience in this month of April, and only four days from the end, too. However, as one member pointed out, it did not raiu in the belfry, nor yet in the Mason's Arms Hotel, where tea was arranged, so there was at least something to be thankful for.
A framed record in the belfry brings home to one the lengthy connection that bas obtained between the St. Martin's fuild, and Solihull bells. It records the fact that on October 8th, 1786, a "Compleat peal of Bob Major" was rung by the St. Martin's " Youths," in 3 hrs. 10 mins. ( 5184 changes). The band stocd as follows: John Haycock treble, Ed. Harcourt 2, Wm. Bennett 3, John Barton 4, John Black 5, Wm. Coton 6, John Mackenzie 7, Saml. Lawrence tenor. Composed and called by Saml. Lawrence.
The last-named "Youth" turned the scales at something over 20 stone, and it would be interesting to know how long it took him to walk to the station. On second thoughts, we are inclined to believe that the railway did not run to Solihull in 1786, although it is allegad that some of the rolling stock was built in that year!
A substantial tea was provided by Host Walker, and it was noticed that two or throe of the company were evidently under the impression that, although they were not so heavy as Sam Lawrence when they sat down, they might, with a little perseverance, be quite as heavy when they got up!
The business meeting followed, when the tower elections of six new members were duly ratified, and Yardley was decided upon as the place of the next meeting. Other routine business being disposed of, the belfry was again visited, the bells being kept going in various methods till about 9.30 .

## BELLS REHUNG AT SOUTHAM.

At the invitation of the Rev. J. Hart Davies (the Rector) and Mr. John Oldham (churchwarden), six members of the St. Michael's Society, Stoke Coventry, visited Southam on Saturday week to take part in the re-opening of the bells, which have been rehung by Messrs. Taylor and Co., at the expense of the Oldham family, as a memorial to a deceased sister. Prorision has been made in the iron frame for two trebles, and Messrs. Taylor are to be congratulated upon the way in which the restoration has been carried out.

The Stoke Coventrv men, taking advantage of the gloriously fine weather, made the 13 miles journey upon their iron steeds, and after a pleasant ride, rang a six-score of Grandsire Doubles prior to the dedication service. Immediately after the service an attempt was made for a peal of Minor in three methods, but a shift course occurred after eighteen minutes' ringing. Nothing daunted, another start was made, and this time success attended the efforts of the band, the peal being rung, as recorded last week, in 2 hrs .57 mins.-Subsequently the band were entertained by Mr. Oldham to a sumptuous repast.

## A REIGATE RINGER'S DEATH.

It is with deep regret that we have to announce the death of $\mathbf{M r}$, Henry Reeves, of Reigate, after a long illness, at the age of 44 years, Deceased joined the Reigate Borough Police Force and the Parish Church Ringing Society about 19 years ago, having previously served eight years in the Grenadier Guards, in which he rose to the rank of sergeant, being at the time of his discharge, signalling instructor to the battalion.
The funeral took place at Reigate Parish Church, and was attended by a large number of friends and members of the police force. The officiating clergyman was the Rev. F. J. Cutts, and the choir, of which deceased's son is a member, was present, the hymn, "Now the labourer's task is o'er,"' being sung. There were a number of beautiful wreaths, among them one with a hanging purple bell in the centre, inscribed, "With deep sympathy from his brother ringers of the Parish Church.'" The bells were rung, muffled, 270 Grandsire Caters, composed by deccased, baing rung after the funeral.

Mr . Reeves was a keen ringer and conductor, and had rung about 80 peals from Dorubles to Royal. He will be greatly missed in the Southern Branch of the Surrey Association.

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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

COUNTY CRICKETER AND BELLRINGER.

Imong the Exercise there are many men who excel in other things besides ringing, but Mr. George C. Collins, whose photograph we publish this week, holds the distinction of being, perhaps, the only first class cricketer who is a bellringer in this country. In cricket he is engaged as a professional for the county of Kent, and, as a ringer, he is a member of the Kent Association, being attached to the Milton-next-Gravesend Tower, which possesses a fine peal of six.

Mr. Collins was born at Gravesend in I890, his father Being Mr. Chris. Collins, once the famous cricketer for Kent, now the well known athletic outfitter of Gravesend,


Mr. George Collins.
and for many years the groundsman at the famous "Bat and Ball" County Ground in that town. Young George tras thus practically born into cricket, and from his young days evinced a desire for that pastime. At the early age of 16 he was engaged by the Kent authorities, and soon proved a "worthy son of a worthy sire." By his consistent form he retained his place in the county and XI, and developed into a first class batsman. Now 23 years of age, he is a fine specimen of an athlete, weighing over $I_{4}$ stones, yet as nimble as the proverbial kitten, a left-handed batsman, and generally sent to take first "knock" at the bowling.

With such an array of talent at the disposal of the Kent Club George Collins did not get much chance to shine as a member of the ist XI, but last year was undoubtedly his
best, in spite of it being such a wet season. Singularly enough his first appearance on Kentish soil last year in first class matches was at his home, at the "Bat and Ball," against Essex, but he did not fulfil local expectations, undoubtedly owing to nervousness. He also played against Essex at Leyton, and scored 59, and at Dudley v. Worcester he scored 45. Although failing against Yorkshire and Gloucester, he accomplished his finest performance of the season against Northants, when, in the second innings, he stayed almost through the innings, and by defensive play scored 80 out of 180 . In first team matches he was eighth on the list, his analysis being :-

7 matches, 9 innings, 213 runs, average 23.66.
In the 2nd XI matches Mr. Collins was easily top for county matches with an analysis of :-
9 matches, 370 runs, 107 highest score, average 4 I.II.
Mr. Collins started his ringing career four years ago in company with two of the members of the present Milton band, and in igio rang a peal of Grandsire Doubles. He did very little ringing until the close of last cricket season, although he made an occasional appearance in the belfry during the winter months of IgII-I2, when he joined the Kent Association. When he returned to his native hearth in October of last year he took seriously to ringing again, and rang his first peal of Minor, in four methods, at the end of November. On Easter Monday he piloted the treble through a peal in seven methods, this being the first by a local band in seven methods, and on Primrose Day, as recorded in another column, he also rang the treble to a peal in ten methods, this being the first credited to the Fent Association in that number of methods. In addition to these three peals he has rung 30720 's in ten different methods since the beginning of November, thus proving he can " handle the rope" as well as "wield the willow." Mr. Collins is this week leaving Milton to again fight his way into the Kent eleven. We are sure that every ringer will be proud to see the cricketer-ringer gain a permanent position in the team, and that he will be assured of a hearty welcome in the belfry of any town to which his cricketing duties may carry him during the summer months. An interesting coincidence in Mr. Collons' cricket career last season is worth recording. While completing his best performance of the year, mentioned above, at Northampton, he heard the bells ringing merrily, and on turning to the back numbers of "The Ringing World " we find that on that very day, Tuesday, June IIth, the Northants band were ringing a peal of Superlative Surprise. In spite of George's splendid effort Northants scored a win over Fient.

## ODD CHANGES.

Members of the Central Council who are in the north on Whit-Monday will receive a cordial welcome at the Durham and Newcastle Association meeting at North Shields, and at the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association's meeting at Ripon.

The mention, in our illustration, of the fact that Mr . George Collins, of Milton-next-Gravesend, is probably the only bellringer who is also a county cricketer, recalls the fact that one great cricketer, no less a celebrity than M. A. Noble, the Australian captain, was a ringer, and received a welcome in many a tower in this counlry during one of his tours in England.

A correspondent inquires for instances (if any) in the Midlands or South of bells hung with iron stocks and with cannons on. If there are any such cases perhaps our readers will forward particulars.

There was some splendid ringing at St. Paul's Cathedral last Saturday, when an attempt was made for a peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus on this noble ring of bells. Unfortunately the peal came to grief after about two hours.

Mr. W. McCaffrey, who has just completed 56 years as a ringer at Trowbridge Parish Church, has been presented with a handsome marble clock by his fellow-ringers and friends. The presentation took place on his 7oth birthday.

Hearty congratulations to that veteran, Mr. Isaac Geo. Shade, of Greenwich, who on Saturday rang his I ,oooth peal. Mr. Shade is one of the links with a past generation of great ringers, but he is as keen and as enthusiastic as ever. Despite advancing years he is still game for a record length, and in several of the records which stand today he took part. He was one of the company that rang the clock round at Loughborough four years ago, and only last Whit-Monday was one of the band that accomplished the 15000 of Bristol at Hornchurch.

Only two ringers had previously reached four figures in peals, namely, the late Rev. F. E. Robinson and Mr. Wm. Pye. We wonder whether at some future date it will be possible to get together for a peal a band all of whom have rung a thousand peals? It may be; for there are several men well on the way.

The new 2nd bell at St. Martin's Church, Birmingham, is to be dedicated on Saturday, May ioth.

Mr. Frederick Dench, the well known composer, has re moved to Chesterton, Cambridge, after residing for 17 years in London.

## A STAFFORD CYCLE RUN.

Norton Canes, situated two miles from Cannock, and just off the Watling Street, was the venue for the first cycling run of the year in connection with the society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. Unfortunately, the wind and rain caused all but two-from Bloxwich and Rushall towers--to forego their intention of taking part in the run. Many more cyclists, proceeding along the level against the wind, were pushing rather than riding their machines. After some waiting at the tower three of the Cannock ringers arrived on foot, and, the small party of visitcrs being augmented by two of the local men, the bells were raised. After nearly half-an-hour's ringing, the tenor clapper, which had been "attended to " by the local blacksmith, came to grief, and thus terminated a very brief meeting. Lest the meeting should be considered more or less of a failure, the writer would like to mention that the names of two probationers from Cannock were handed in for election at the next quarterly meeting, and the leader of the Norton Canes band announced that he was of opinion that he and his band would now like to rejoin the society, seeing that the society had begun to take some interest in them by organising "runs" to their tower. The next run takes place to Rugeley on May 17th.

## SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.

A well-attended meeting of the Eastern Division was held at Waldron on Saturday week. Members turned up from the various towers in the county, and good practice was had in the standard methods during the afternoon and evening. The ringers attended shortened evensong in the church, the Rev. W. J. Humble-Crofts (the Rector) officiating. The Rector also presided at the tea and meeting, which followed in the Foxhunt Hall Institute.-A hearty vote of thanks, on the proposition of Councillor Hill (of St. Leonards-on-Sea), was accorded Mr. HumbleCrofts for the use of the bells, arranging the service, and for providing such an excellent tea.

## THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

## DATE OF ANNUAL MEETING CIIANGED.

A quarterly meeting was held at Sutton Coldfield last Saturday, and a very wet day no doubt kept many members away. However, about twenty-four members sat down to tea in the Church House, representing the following places: Rugby, Coventry, Allesley, Nuneaton, Boldmere, Erdington, Sutton Coldfield and Stratford-on-Avon. Evensong was held in the church at 5.0 p.m., conducted by the Rector, who also gave a short address.
The business meeting was held after tea, presided over by the Rector. After the election of members had been proceeded with, it was decided to hold a meeting at Dunchurch-where the bells have just been re-hung-in May, and at Wolvey in June.
The Hon. Secretary mentioned that there would be difficultics in the way of his attending the annual meeting, if held in July, and suggested that it might be transferred to June this year, as the rulc allowed it. -The members agreed to this, and June 28 th was selected as the date, other things being equal. The meeting proposed for Wolvey in June was in that case to be oarried over to July.
Mr. T. Bloore proposed that a very hearty vote of thanks be accorded Canon Barnard for his kind permission to ring, and, not least, for his welcome and hospitality to the Guild, which were much appreciated.This was carried with acclamation, and Canon Barnard briefly replied. The following methods were rung during the afternoon and evening. Sterlman Triples, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, and Double Norwich Majoí.

## THE CUMBERLANDS AT WEST HAM.

The first quarterly meeting of the year was held at All Saints', West Ham, on Saiurday, and was well attended by members aud friends of the district. The bells were raised at 3.30, and touches of Stedman Caters, Grandsire Caters, Treble Ten, and a course of Cambridge and Superlative Major were brought round before the tea interval. An adjournment was then made to the Meeson Hall, where twenty sat down to a capital tea. The Master (Mr. J. Parker) presided at the meeting which followed, when the election of the following members was ratified: Mr. T. H. Hawkins, of Deptford, and Mr. A. H. Winch, of Leatherhead.-Mr. G. Paice proposed that the next meeting be held at Loughton, but it having been stated that the bells were not in a satisfactory condition, Hillingdon and Heston were proposed, and on being put to the meeting, Hillingdon was carried.-Mr. Neale then proposid that the officers be empowered to remove the society's property from the Bedford Head, as soon as a conrenient place could be decided on, and this was carried.
The Master then proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar, churchwardens, and Mr. Doran for the use of the bells. A return was made to the tower, and the bells kept going till 8 o'clock, the final touch being a well-struck course of Cambridge Surprise Royal-the first erer attempted by ten members of the society.

## THE PEAL AT MARGATE.

On Thursday week, past and present members of St. John's SocietyMargate, met to attempt a peal on the fine ring of bells in the tower of the Parish Church to celebrate the wedding and home-coming of $M_{1}$. Arthur $H$. Saxby, the genial captain of the local band since il 3 formation in 1901, when the bells were so well rehung by Messrs. Taylor. The weddling, as previously recorded, took place at St. John s Church on April 2nd, and the peal was postponed until the return of the bride and bridegroom from their honeymoon motor tour. The company met at three o'clock, and after just under three hours' good ringing had the satisfaction of hearing the bells run round. The formal record will be found in our peal columns.
Subsequently a reception was held by Mr. and Mrs. Saxby in their new home, tho fingers and some personal friends being invited to dinner. The evening was afterwards devoted to harmony, tho music being interspersed by some happy speeches. Mr. Saxby alluded to the kind feeling that had always existed among the ringers, and had prompted them to give him and Mrs. Saxby such a handsome present (a silyer-mounted rose bowl), a gift which they would always ralue very highly. They were both very pleased that the ringers should have scored stach a good peal in honour of their wedding.-Thanks were accorded Mr. and Mrs. Saxby for their kindness, and wishes were expresed for their long life and happiness.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION.

A quartorly meeting of the Southern Branch was held at Betchworth on Saturday week, 38 members being present from: Buckland, Burstow, Horley, Nutfield, Redhill and Reigate, and the local band. Service was held in the church, and a capital address was given by the Rev. T. G. Longley. Tea was partaken in the Church Room, followed by the business mceting.-Eleven members were elected to the branch, including the Vicar of Betchworth as an honorary member.-Burstow was proposed for the next quarterly meeting.- A very hearty vote of thanks was accordcd the Vicar for the use of the bells, for his able addeess, and for presiding at the meeting.-Thn Rev. T. G. Longley suitably resporided.-Scveral touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Treble Bob and Double Norwich were rung, and Buckland bells wore also available during the evening.

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## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

## ANNUAL MEETING AT RETFORD

The 26th amual meeting of the North Notts Association was held at East Retford on Satmiday week. The towers of East Retford and Ordsall were opened for ringing all day by the kind permission of the incumbents of each parish, but West Retford bells were closed on account of the unsafc condition of the spire and tower. A representative gathering of members attended from Anston, Blyth, Everton, Harthill, Misson, East Markham, East Retford, Ordsall, Worksop, Gainsborough, East Stockwith, and Doncaster. At the East Reiford tower, touches were rung on six, eight, and ten bells, including Oxford Treble Bob, Plain Bob Minor, and Major, Grandsire Triples and Caters, and Stedman Triples and Caters, whilst at Orclsall the six bell ringers lang a varicty of touches in Treble Bob methods.
wards of 50 assembled at Howard's Hotel for tea, and at the meeting which followed; the Rev. J. T. Mumford presided, supported by the Rev. Canon Gray (West Retford), the Rev. R. D. Foster (Ordsall), Rev F. d'Arblay Burney (Harworth), Rev. A. Rose (Everton), and Mr. H Haigh (hon. sec.)

The Chairman explained that the meeting was boing held at East Retford instead of West Retford. It was the turn of West Retford, but the change was owing to the contemplated restoration to the spire and tower. The parish had to face a considerable expense in comnection with this work, and he thought it would be a graceful net if a resolution of sympathy was passed with the Rector, whom they were pleased to sce present. He was told that help was coming in slowly but well, and they hoped that this liability would specdily be re-moved.-Mr. Haigh scconded, and said the Rector was always glad to welcome the Association in alternate Jears, and they were always favoured by his presence. Canon Gray was one of the best vicepresidents. The members sympathised very much with the Rector, and regretted they were not able to ring the bells.-Canon Gray.responded He remarked that two engineers expressed the opinion that there was no reason why they should not ring the bells, but the advice of the architect had to be followed.

## THE COMNITTEE'S REPORT

The committee, in their report, congratulated the members upon the steady progress that had been made during the year. They had added to the list of rice-presidents the names of the Rev. F. d'Arblay Burney (Vicar of lisirworth), the Rev. A. Rose (Vicar of Everton), the Rev W. Smith (Vicar of Tuxford), the Rev. F. W. Keene (Vicar of Misson) and the Rev. A. L. Phillips (Vicar of Blyth). The committee regretted wery much to have to record the resignation as secretary of the Rev. B. Darley (Rector of Flanthill), who succeeded the late Rev. H. T. Slodden, Worksop, and for 17 years was hon secretary of the Association This ofice he continued to discharge with zeal and success until the annual meeting on May 4th, 1912, when he declined re-election owing to pressure of work in his own parish. He is still a vicc-president, and takes a lively, interest in the welfare of the Association, and the members owe him a xlebt of gratitude for his services that is not to be measured in terms. The committee also regretted to record the loss, by death, of Mr. Mobert Pindar, of Misson, a good, consistent, and highly esteemed member. Ths standard of ringing at all the quarterly meetings was above the average. The Everton ringers, after a lapse of almost 13 years, had re-joined, along with their Vicar, the Rev. A. Roso, so the tower was again at the disposal of the Association, and the Vicar desired on early meeting in 1913 to be held at that place. The list of new non-resident members include Miss Dorothy D. Steel of Bedford: Rev. C. J. Sturton, Vicar of Orston; Rev. W. P. Wright Vicar of Hemingborough, and President of the North Yorkshire and Cleveland Association; and also a number of performing members.

## NO TOWER BELL PEALS

The summary of performances for the year by individual companies was again meagre, not a single 5040 being rung on tower bells. Anston once more headed the list by achieving the distinction of ringing 720's in one hundred different Treble Bob Minor methods, in cluding all the Surprise methods, and had never missed ringing for two services eash Sunday for several years. They had had the good fortune to keep the same members together, with one exception, for 20 years, and their last addition had been with them 10 years. This was a proof of what could be done by constant practice with the same company. They had also broken their own record by ringing in 1912 over 80 complete 720 's in 54 different methods. The Worksop company rang mine quartcr-peals, viz., five of Grandsire Triples, two of Union Triples, one of Bob Major, and one of College Single Major, the two latter being their first quarter-peals in the methods, and the last-named the, first by the Association. Two attempts for a 5040 of Bob Major unfortunately came to grief after ringing 2 hrs. and 32 mins. and 2 hrs. and 57 mins. respectively. Two of the guarter-peals of Grandsire Triples were the first in which Miss Evelyn and Miss Dorotly Steel took part on extreme bells. The Ordsall company wero successful in ringing a date touch of 1912 changes in two plain methods For indivicual performances, that brilliant young ringer, Mr. John Segar, junr., a member of the Ordsall tower, headed the list by two wonderful performances tapped on handbells in three and five different methods respectively. IIe had also, since the close of the year, out-
a 7200 in ten methods. Suffice it to say that the physical and mental strain required in tapping peals of this kind is enormous. The hope was expressed that the new church in St. Anne's parish, Worlesop, the gift of Sir John Robinson, would soon be endowed with a suitable ring, and that the tower would become affiliated to the Association.
The membership roll up to the date of the last quarterly meeting contained the names of 17 honorary members and 129 performing members, total 146, a yain of 16 on the year. The financial statement for the year. ending December 31st, 1912, notwithstanding the fact that expense had been heavy, shows a credit balance of $£ 8$ 19s. 5d. - In moving the adoption of the report, Canon Gray congratalated the hon. secretary upon the way in which he had drawn it up.-Mr. G. $R$. Winter seconded, and it was unanimously passed.

## ELECTION OF OFPICERS

The Bishop of Southwell was re-elected President; Mr. Haigh was re-elected hon. secretary; and Mr. Bailey, of the Worksop Savings Bank, was appointed hon. treasurer
The appointment of a working committee was left to the different towers to send in the names of their representatives; and Mr. Haigh was empowered to appoint an assistant secretary to act for him in his enforced absence from meetings. He urged upon committec members to do their utmost to attend the meetings, and in case of absence to send a deputy. H. Hurst (Ordsall) and J. Booth (East Markham) wero elected members of the Association.-The summer meeting was fixcd to bo held at Everton.
The thanks of the Association were passed to the incumbents for the uso of the bells, and to the Vicar for presiding and the loan of the room. - Mr. Hnigh proposed, and Mr. Stenton seconded, a vote of thanks to the vice-presidents, and Canon Gray responded.

A service followed in church. The Vioar conducted, and the Rev. F. d'Arblay Burney preached a practical sermon from the text, "Fior it tho trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?"' (1 Corinthians, xiv. 8). - A vote of thanks was passed at the tea to the preacher.

## THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

## A SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

The amual maoting of the Dudley and District Guild was held at Dudley on Saturday. Although the weather was cold, miscrably wet and windy, over scventy members found their way into St. Thomas' Church to the service, which was held at five o'clock, and conducted by the President of the Guild (the Rer. A. Gray Maitland, Vicar of Dudley), who gave a very interesting address in tho absence, through the illness of his wife, of the Rev. J. A. Price, Vicar of Coseley
At the tea, which was held in the schoolroom, over 80 members wero present, representing Blakenhall, Bradley, Brierley Hill, Bilston, Coseley, Dudley, Netherton, Oldbury, Old Hill, Rowley, Sodgley, 'Tipton, Smethwick, West Bromwich, Wैolverhampton, Wednesbury, Wal sall, Wood Green, and other churches in union, within a radius of ten miles from St. Thomas'. Mrs. A. Gray Maitland and Miss Ruby Maitland assisted at the tables, the wives, sweethearts, and other lady friends of the local ringers, who had been busy during the afternoon in preparing a bountiful supply of good things, brightening the sceno by their presence to attend to the wants of the visitors.
An interesting business mecting followed, with the President in the chair.-Letters of apology were read from Col. Sir A. G. Boseawen, M.P., the Rev. II. H. Dibben, Rector of Brierley Hill, and Mrr. Harry Mason, of Old Hill.

## GENEIRAL PIROGRESS

The report of the year's work showed a great advance over last year in the membership, financially, and in the peals accomplished by the members of the Guild. The balance sheet showed an enlarged balance in hand.-The whole of the officers were re-clected, viz.: President, the Leev. A. Gray Maitland; vice-presidents, Col. Sir A. G. Boscawen, M.P., the Rev. II. H. Dibben, the Rev. S. J. Marriott, M.A., R.D. Vicar of Netherton, and Mr. Marry Mason, the Vicar of Coseley, the Rev. J. A. Price being added; Ringing Master, Mr. S. Spittle; hon. secretary, Mr. Herbert Sheppard; hon. treasurer, Mr. W. Rock Small; auditors. Mr. J. Smith, Tiplon, and Mr. B. Gough, Coseley. A largo number of new members were added to the roll. The place selected for the next quarterly meeting is the pretty village of Wombourne. An animated discussion ensued upon the scheme for awarding the President's prize, given to the band in union with the Guild which makes the highest percentage of attendances for ringing at the Sunday services, morning and evening. The matter was ultimately referred to a committee consisting of one member from each company to decide, and report to next quarterly meeling.-Votes of thanks, to the Vicar for presiding and conducting the service, to the organist, the ladies, and the donors of the tea, and all who had assisted to make the meeting a happy one, brbught another very successful meeting to a close. The bells were rung during the afternoon, but after the meeting, a request was sent to the belfry to stop ringing on account of aickness near the church, and was promptly compliod with

ALLESLEY, COVENTRY.-On March 29th, in 25 mins., 720 Bob Minor: *J. Taylor 1, IL. Hastings 2, A. Roberts 3, *R. Groen 4, H. Kettle 5, J. II. Whito (conductor) 6. * First 720.-On March 29th, 720 in the same method, with M. Harris 3.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

## ANNUAL MEETING AT CIIPPENHAM.

The annual meeting of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Associa. tion was held at Chippenham on Saturday last, when about forty ringers put in an appearance, chiefly from Bristol and Swiudon. The attendance of members from the Gloucester Diocese was practically nil, which was not altogether surprising when one takes into consideration the inaccessibility of Chippenham from a railway travelling point of view. Tn this connection may be mentioned the case of the worthy Master, the Rev. O. D. P. Davies, who, in order to get back to Stonchouse by 9 o'clock, had to leave Chippenham at 5.40 , and then wait an hom-and-a-half at Swindon. Then again these meetings are looked forward to as a day or half-day's outing, and when one is travelling for pleasure he has a rooted objection to paying full fare, but this he has to do unless he can get seven others to travel with him, when he can claim to travel for three-quarter fare. The Central Council must again endeavour to persuade the Railway Clearing House to re-classify church bell ringers. At present they are classed with brass bands, who, when they travel take their instruments and music stands with them, carriage free. The classification is, therefore, obviously unfair. The weather turned out wet, and this kept away those cyclists who hadl to come from any considerable distance, Mr. W. Hale, of Painswick, being one, but two from Marshfield who braved the elements, were welcomed, and it is hoped they arrived safe home without any ill-effects.
The meeting itself passed off very smoothly. The Master took the chair, and gave a brief report of the peals for the past year, the number being three more than in 1911, viz., 26, including the first peal of Superlative Surprise Major ever rung by eight clergymen, and the first peal of Bristol Surprisc Major by the Association. The peal of bells at Cheltenham had beon increased from 10 to 12, and on the preceding Saturday he paid a visit to Tewkesbury to attempt the last peal on the bells before they are increased to 10 .
The Treastrer (Rev. H. A. Cockey) presented the balance sheet, but before doing so said he wonld dike to thank all the branch secs. for the work they had done during the past year, and also for the improved way in which the accounts were sent in. It certainly seemed that the Association had now turned the corner, and that they were beginning 10 get the benefit of the reforms instituted a year or two ago. The balance in hand had increased from $£ 24$ to £ $38 .-\mathrm{Mr}$. C. H. Gordon proposcd the adoption of the balance sheet, which was seconded by Mr. C. H. Tomkins, and carried.

The oflicers were re-elected en bloc, on the proposition of Mr. R. J. TVilkins, seconded by Mr. H. Howell.

A Lotal of 47 members were elected or had their elections confurmed.
After the meeting, the members attended service at the Parish Church, conducted by the Rev. Canon Smith.-Tea followed at the Vaults, near the church, after which there was ringing at St. Paul's, by kind permission of the Rev. David B. Barclay, and at the Parish Church, where the bells have just been rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, ever'yone expressing satisfaction as to the "go." Among the many touches rung may be mentioned one each of Cambridge and Iondon Surprise Major.
The wet weather caused many to start for home earlier than they otherwise would, but on the whole it was an enjoyable meeting, chiefly noticeable for the brotherly feeling displayed by all.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Luton district was held at Woburn on Saturday, when there were present 23 members from Bedford, Luton, Dunstable, Husbonne Crawley, Oakley and Aspley Guise. The ringers had the pleasure of meeting the new Vicar, the Rev. R. H. Moss, who was giren a hearty welcome, and thanked for the use of the bells. He sate how ploased he was to be amongst them, and that he hoped in the near future to bo one of their members. Other members present were: Mr. Charles Herbert, the pioneer of change ringing in Bedfordshire: the Rev. A. Rush (hon. sec.), and the Rev. W. W. C. Baker, Prosident of the Association. The following methods were rung during the afternoon and evening: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Double Oxford Major, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise Major.
A short business meeting was held, the President being in the chair. Two new members were elected, Messis. W. Peacock and C. Sinfield, of IIusborne Crawley. Four members were elected for this district on the gencral committec: Mr. C. Herbert (Woburn), Mr. M. Lane (Aspley Guise), Mr. G. Healey (Dunstable), Mr. F. Nicholls (Leighton Buzzard), -It was proposed to Jold a joint meeting with the Bedford district at Maulden, on May 24th.-A vote of thanks to the chairman terminated one of the most successful meetings held in this district.

## HOLY TRINITY, GUILDFORD.

## To the Editor

Sir,-Will you grant me space in the "Ringing World" to inform ringing friends, who frequently make the trip to Guildford to have a ring, that ringing at Holy Trinity is for a time suspended. - Yours truly, B. CHORLEY, Hon. Sec.

## NOTICES.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at Ospringe on Saturday, May 3 rd, 1913. Tower opened from 3 till 9 p.m. Divine service at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., with an address by the Vicar. Tea provided at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Parish Room, Water Lane. Business meeting after tea. The Faversham bells will also be available from $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will secretaries of bands kindly see that all subscriptions are paid before the-meeting.-E. Trendell, Honorary District Secretary, Boughton, Faversham.

GUILD OF CHANGE RINGERS FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP. - The next meeting of the above Guild will be held at Whitchurch on Saturday, May 3rd, 1913. Ringing at 3 p.m., meeting $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5.30 p.m. Train leaves Shrewsbury 2.18 p.m.-H. B. Beckwith, Honorary Secretary, Ridgemount, Shrewsbury.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Yorktown District. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Farnborough on Saturday, May 3rd. The bells will be available from 3 p.m. Tea in the Jubilee Hall at 5.30 . All ringers will be gladly welcomed.-G. B. Edser, 170 , Gipsy Road, West Norwood.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBY_ SHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. - The annual meeting of this society will be held on Saturday, May 3 rd, at Ranmoor, Sheffield. Church of St. John the Evangelist, 8 bells (tenor $r_{5} \mathrm{cwt}$.)., available 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., except during the business meeting. A committee meeting will be held in the schools at 5.30 p.m. to settle the fixtures for the ensuing 12 months. General meeting at 6 . p.m. at the same place. The business will include election of officers for the ensuing year, presentation of balance sheet, secretary's report, etc., and a good attendance is. particularly requested. Tea will be provided free to members only in the Schools at about 5 p.m. Visitors should take a Fulwood car from the City terminus, as these pass the church.-J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, II, Havelock Street, Sheffield.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.--The annual meeting will be held at the Bear Hotel, Lewes, on Saturday, May 3rd. Luncheon at one o'clock. Members' tickets is. 6d. each. The Lord Bishop of Chichester will preside, and also at the business meeting to follow. Further particulars as to service and times for ringing will be announced later on through the post. Half fareswith a maximum of 2 s .-will be allowed members attending, but they are requested to avail themselves as far as possible of the cheap fares.-G. Watson, Honorary Secretary, Vale Road, St. Leonards.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery.-The annual meeting at Midsomer Norton, May 3rd. Bells available 2 p.m. Evensong 4.15 p.m. Tea and business 5 p.m. All ringers, whether members or not, cordially invited.I. B. Holmyard, Honorary Secretary, Midsomer Norton.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.Next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Chigwell, on Saturday, May 3rd, 1913. Ringing will commence at 3 o'clock, tea, at usual price, at $5 \cdot 30$, business meeting after tea. - H. Rumens, Honorary Secretary, 32, Verulam Arenue, Walthamstow, N.E.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Castle Cary Branch. - The next meeting of the above named branch will be held at Marston Magna on Saturday, May 3rd, 1913. Service in the Parish Church 4 - 5 p.m. Tea at the Red Lion Hotel 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow.-T. G. Vincent, Wraxall, Shepton Mallet.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.-Bridgwater Deanery Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Chedzoy on Saturday, May 3rd. Service 4 p.m., tea and meeting following. Bells available from 2 p.m.W. G. Sellick, Branch Secretary, The Cottage, Huntspill, Bridg water.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at St. Anne's, Denton, on Saturday, May 3rd. Bells will be available from $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting at 7.30.-W. W. Wolstencroft, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.
the lancashire association. - Rossendale Branch.-The next branch meeting will be held at St. Thomas', Helmshore, on Saturday, May 3rd, 19r3. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A good attendance is earnestly requested. - J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary.

IVINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Winchester District.-A quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, May 3rd, at Lockerly and Tytherly. The bells of both towers available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The Vicar of Lockerly has kindly invited members to tea at the Vicarage at 5.15 . -James W. Elkins, District Secretary, 2o, Culver Villas, Winchester.
bedFordshire ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Renhold on Saturday, May 3rd.-John W. Barker, District Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at St. Bartholomew's ( 6 bells) on Saturday, May 3rd, at 6 o'clock. Meeting 7.30. G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

VINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Dorking and Leatherhead District.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Newdigate on Saturday, May 3rd. Tea will be provided at the Crown Inn, Capel, at 5.30 p.m. Bells available: Newdigate 3 to $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., Capel $6.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Short service, with an address, at Capel Parish Church at 5 p.m. All ringers will be gladly welcomed.-Rev. L. E. Burgess, Honorary Secretary, Dorking.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.'Castle Cary Branch. - The next meeting of the above named branch will be held at Marston Magna on Saturday, May 3rd, 19r3. Service in the Parish Church 4.I5 p.m. Tea at the Red Lion Hotel 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Marston Magna bells will be available from 2.30 to 9 p.m., also Queen Camel (finest peal of six in Somerset) same time.-T. G. Vincent, Wraxall, Shepton Mallet.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -Established 1637 .-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on May 8th and 22nd; St. John's, Hackney, on the 13th and 27 th; St. Michael's, 'Cornhill, on the 13th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 2oth; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 27th; St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus 7.30 , all the others 8 p.m. - William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.-Established 1755.-A service for the dedication of the new second bell will be held at St. Martin's Church on Saturday, May ioth, at 4 o'clock. The Rector kindly offers to provide tea for those subscribers only who notify their intention of being present not later than Tuesday, May 6th, to A. Paddon Sinith, Honorary Secretary, ir, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Shore Church on Saturday, May ioth, 1913 (instead of Walsden, as selected). Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-J. H. Bastow, Branch Secretary, i3, Norman Street, North Moor, Oldham.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District.-Quarterly meeting at Whitchurch on Saturday, May ioth. Bells ( 6 ) from 4 o'clock. Service 5.30. Tea and business meeting at the Church Hall 6.15.-F. G. Hume, District Secretary, Oakley, Basingstoke.
the lancashire association. - Liverpool Branch.-A meeting will be held at Widnes and Framworth on Saturday, May 1oth. Bells ready at 4. Tea at 5.30. Members intending being present please send word to Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting will be held at Rochester on Whitsun Monday, May i2th. Service at the Cathedral 4 p.m. Tea at Victoria Hall, Star Hill, 5.30 p.m. Application for tea tickets must be sent to the honorary secretary not later than Thursday, May Sth.-Fred J. O. Helmore, Honorary Secretary, Canterbury.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIA-TION.-The annual meeting will be held at Thrapston on Whit-Monday, May 12th. The bells of Thrapston and Islip will be at liberty for ringing from 10 a.m. to 11.45 , and from 3 to 7.30 . Service at the Parish Church, Thrapston, at 12 noon. Luncheon, with meeting to follow, at the White Hart Hotel at I o'clock. Members is. each. Non-members 2 s . each.-F. Wilford, General Secretary, 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

LADIES' GUILD.-The annual general meeting will be held at Birmingham on Whit-Monday, May 12 th. Tea and meeting at Harborne at 4.30 . St. Martin's (12) bells will be available at I2.30, and Selly Oak and Harborne (8) during the afternoon and evening. Gentlemen cordially invited. Will all wishing to be present at tea kindly notify me by Wednesday, May 7 th.-E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A meting will be held at Walsoken on Whitsun-Monday, May 12th. Bells of Walsoken (6) and TVisbech (ro) available all day. Dinner at the Bell, Walsoken, at r. 30 p.m. at is. 6d. each. Non-members of the Association are cordially invited. Those intending to be present at dinner must send me notice by May 6th.-C. E. Borrett, Secretary, 12, Grove Avenue, Norwich.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held on Whit-Monday at West Ham. Service at the Parish Church at 1 I. 30. Business meeting at Mason Hall at 12.30. Dinner in the same place at 1.30. Members wishing for dinner must let the honorary secretary know not later than the previous Wednesday. Ringers desirous of using the adjacent towers either before or after dinner, had better apply to Mr. G. Black, Mayfield, Grand Avenue, Wondford Green.-Henry T. W. Eyre, Honorary Seiretary, Great Totham, Witham.

EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Alfreton District.-A meeting will be held at Crich on Whit-Monday, May 12 th. Bells (6) ready at 2 p.m. Tea at 4 p.m., 6d. each. All ringers and friends invited. -Fred Watkinson, District Secretary, I3, Park Street, Alfreton.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Ripon on Whit-Monday, May 12th, 19I3. The bells at the Cathedral are available for ringing if to $12.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m} ., 2.30$ to 5 , and 6 to 9 .p.m., and the Parish Church bells, Sharow, from 10.I5 a.m. Committee meeting at the Black Bull Hotel, Ripon, ir. 30 a.m. Dinner will be provided at the Black Bull Hotel, Ripon, 12.30, members rs., nonnembers 2s. 6d. each. Ringers attending the Central Council meeting to be held at Newcastle-on-Tyne that can make it convenient to call at Ripon will receive a very hearty welcome to this meeting.-T. Metcalfe, 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.The Whit-Monday meeting will be held at North Shields. Christ Church bells available all day except between II.I5 and $12 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Committee mecting will be held at the Bath Hotel, Tynemouth, at I p.m. Dinner I. 30 p.m. All visitors will be heartily welcomed and entertained to dinner if they will kindly send word to the secretary before May 6th that they are likely to be present. - R. Stephenson, Joint Honorary Secretary, 2, Cleveland Terrace, West Hartlepool.
LINCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch.
$\therefore$ branch mecting will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturlay, May izth. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The bells have been rehung and augmented to a peal of cight.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824)--Northern District.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Willesden, on Saturday, May 17 th. Tower open at 4 p.m. Business meeting at 8.15 p.m. All members and friends welcome.-J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7D, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.

CHANGE OF ADDRESSES.-Mr. John Jagger, late of Bee Hive, Langley Green, has removed to The Wrexham (opposite Parish Church), Oldbury. Wines and spirits of the finest quality.-Mr. F. Dench has removed to 7, Trafalgar Street, Chesterton, Cambridge.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY. - Mr. W. Clayton, 9, Lodge Road, Wallington, has been appointed steeplekeeper at St. Mary's Church, and to him all communications should be addressed.
GRAND PRIZE RINGING CONTEST, at St. John's Church, Kirkheaton, near Huddersfield, on Whit-Tuesday, May 13 th, when prizes to the value of $£ 17$ I7s. will be given. For further particulars apply to Frank Hardy, Haigh's Buildings, Lepton, near Huddersfield.

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I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,

## RINGERS AND RAILWAY FACILITIES.

In the report of the Gloucester and Bristol Association meeting last week a suggestion was made that the Central Council should again endeavour to persuade the Railway Clearing House to re-classify bell ringers so that they may travel at reduced fares when engaged in the pursuit of ringing. This is a matter which we should much like to see the Council take up once more, and, if they did, we should hope with greater success than attended their efforts some years ago. There was a time when a few of the railway companies extended to members of associations on their systems the privilege of travelling singly, as well as in parties, at reduced fares, upon production of a roucher. In the hope that the practice would be generally adopted the Central Council approached the Railway Clearing House, but the powers that be decided against them, and those who, up to that time had had the privilege, lost it. Ringers can now get reduced fares only if they travel in parties of ten-as any other persons may do upon making the necessary application.

IVe cannot see, however, why ringers cannot be placed in the same class as golfers and anglers, who, on production of certificate of membership, signed by their club secretary, can, with certain limitations, obtain cheap tickets. So far as the railway companies are concerned there can be no possible difference in the category of such foll as golfers, anglers and bell ringers, although as ringers we place our art intellectually far above the pastime of the golfer or the fisherman. All the while the two last named are qualified to travel at reduced fares, there is no logical reason for keeping ringers outside the privileged class.

It is, however, a considerable time since the Central Council made an effort to get the railway companies to see the reasonableness of this riew, and we should like to see the Council try again in the interests of the Exercise. If it is too late for the matter to be dealt with at the meeting at Newcastle next Tuesday, could not the Standing Committee do something to set the ball rolling, so that by the time the Council meet again, they may be prepared with all the necessary facts to go straight ahead? It is worth the effort, for if only the privilege could be obtained, it would prove of great advantage to ringers. It would make a more frequent interchange of visits possible; it would encourage members to gain wider experience by the greater facilities that would be then within reach of the frequently slender purse, and we feel sure that, in the long run, the railway companies would benefit. We hope that something will be done to reopen the question.

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## TEN BELL PEALS.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION (Sheffield District Society.) On Wednesday, April 30, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS, 5057 Changes; Tenor $24 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt
George Hollis ... ...Treble John C. Dicken * Јон⿱ 1r. Brooves … ... 6 John R. Broones … ... 7 William G. Christiay ... 4 Arthur Knights ... ... 9 Fred E. Smith... ... ... 5 | William J. Thyng ... .... Tenoy Composed by Arthur Knighis, and Conducted by George Hollis.

- First peal in the method.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Tienty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
James W. Trappitt ... ...Treble Alfred Clayton ... ... 6
Joseph A. Lambert ... ... 2 John White ... ... ... 7
Alfred H. Winch...$\quad$... 3 Robert Grimwood ......
Frank Holder ... ... ... 4 William S. Smith ... ... 9
David Wright $\ldots$.... ... 5 Arthur Dean ...... Composed by F. Bensett, and
First peal of Royal as conductor and first peal nf Bob Royal by all except the ringers of 3 rd and tenor.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION,
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.
On Sutuday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes. At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYal, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 27 cwt .
Charles Bower... ... ...Treble Benjamin Gill... ... ... o
Thomas Jakeman ... ... 2 Samuel Booth... ... ... 7
Joseph Mellor ... ... ... 3 Samuel Wood ... ... ... 8
Tom Wilde ... ... ... ... + Harry Chapman ... ... 9
Walter Wolstencroft ... 5 James George ... ... ...Tenor
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IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-four Minutes,
Ai the Church of St. Mary-le-Tower,
a PEAL OF double norivich court bob royal, 5040 Changes ;
Tenor 32 cwt .
*Robert H. Hayward ...Treble ${ }^{\circ}$ Charles A. Catchpole Edgar Pemberton ... ... 2 William P. Garrett .. *Charles J. Sedgley ... 3 James Motts ... ... ... 8 William Motts ... ... 4 Edward Evans... William L. Catchpole... 5 Robert H. Brundle ...Temor Composed and Conducted by James Motts.

* First peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Royal.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

STEYNING, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,

## a peal of stedman triples, 5040 Changes;

 Horace Tulett......$\quad$... 2 George J. Noriss ... ... 6 arthor Hutchings ... ... 3 Edmund h. Lindop ... 7 George Gatland co. ... ${ }^{4}$ Ernestucted biturt ... ... ... Tenor
Horace Tulett has now rung eight peals of Stedman out of eleven attempts.

DUNSTABLE, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Honrs and Twelve Minutes, At the Priory Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES; Tenor 25 cwt .
David Janes
...Treble $\mid$ F. W. Baldock
-George W. Heley
George heley ... ... 2 †Horace Smith... ... ... 6 Ernest Herbert...$\quad$... 3 Rev. W. W. C. Baker ... 7 †John W. Chance $\quad . .$.

Composed by Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., and Conducted by Rev. W. W. C. Baker.
*First peal. † First peal of Major. This is the first peal in the Association conducted by a Rural Dean.

TROWBRIDGE, IVILTS.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours aud Forty-seven Minutes, At the Parish Cherch,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Holt's Ten-Part.
 steepleheeper. Quickest peal on the bells.

## PLYMOUTH

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Thursday, April 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourten Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
a PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.
*Frederick Lovis ... ...Treble $\ddagger$ John Gluyas + talfred Mitchelmore $\cdots \cdots$ George Parrelmore ... 3 G. Harry Myers ... ... 7 George Parr ... ... ... 4 Thomas Linjell ... ...Tenor Conducted by G. H. Myers
First peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Triples. $\ddagger$ First peal of Triples with an inside bell. This is the first peal of Triples on the bells, and the first by the St. Andrew's Society, of which all the above are members.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK
THE LLY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, April 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul
a peal of double norwich court bob major, 5008 Changes; Stedman H. Symonds ...Treble i 'Frederick G. Dewell... 5 Arthor Symonds ... ... 2 *Charles Woodcock ... 6 Walter Radley ... ... 3 Wm. R. John Poulson... 7 George Lambert ... ... 4 | Thomas Pryke... ... ... Tenor Composed by E. Wightman, and Conducted by S. H. Symonds.

- First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the birthdays of the conductor and $W$. Dent, which were on the 20 th and 25 th respectively. Unfortunately Mr. Dent was too unwell to stand in. The ringers of 3rd, $5^{\text {th }}$ and 6 th are of St. James' Company, Bury St. Edmunds.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.
THE MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 26, 1913, in Tzo Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF Stedman triples, 5030 Changes;

## Carter's No. 33. <br> Tenor 15 cwt ., in F

 James Jones Morris J. Morris Whilin. Morris ... ... 2 William J. Mears ......${ }_{3}$ "John Corrigan...Jofin Carter William G. Eilis ... ... 5 Percy O. Laflin ... ... 7 William Davies ... ...Tenor

Composed and Conducted by John Carter.
First peal of Stedman Triples.

## SHTEAD, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, April 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes. At the Church of St. Giles,

| A PEAL of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Changes; |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Five-Part. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tenor |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Conducted by William H. Corbett.
Rung in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. William Cook ; also as a birthday compliment to Mrs. John Wyatt.

WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Tuesday, April 29. 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Chdrch of St. Giles,
a PEAL of cramdsire triples, 5040 chances;
Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part.
E. Hortin..
... ... ... ...Treble
J. A. Brown
F. Ward
*D. Appleby $\quad . .$.

- First peal.

Conducted by C. Wallater.

LISCARD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Wirral Branch.)
On Wednesday, April 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES; Tenor $17 \frac{3}{3}$ cwt
William Hughes ... ...Trebie 1*Thomas H. Ashley
Edward W. Dutton ... 2 John Greasley ... ... 6
David Hughes ... ... ... 3 Thomas Morray ... ... 7
James R. Griffin ... ... 4 | Albert Wonsnam ... ...Tenor
Composed by T. Morris, and Conducted by Thomas Murray.

- First peal. Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss M. I. Hannay and Mr. J. A. Newton.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, May 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-thvee Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
a peal of double norwich court bob major, 5024 changes;
Tenor 8 cwt I qr. 20 lbs .
 Composed and Conducted by G. H. Cross.

* First peal in the method as conductor. This peal was rung in honour of the Feast of the Ascension.

FARNHAM ROYAL, BUCKS THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thursday, Muy 1, 1913. in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
a Pefl of oxford bjb triples, 5040 changes; Tenor $12 \frac{2}{2}$ cwt.
George Guttridge... ...Treble William H. Fussell ... 5
*Alfred Batemay
Joseph J. Parker ...
Joseph J. Pratt ... ... 3 George Allder ... ... 7 Composed and Conducted by J. J. Parker.

* First peal on eight bells. $\dagger$ First attempt in the method. Rung on Ascension Day for evening service.



## HORLEY, SURREY

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
(Southern Branch.)
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5083 CHANCES;

| Henry F. Ewins | ... | ...Treble | Osctr Gilbey ... |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oliver Sippetts |  |  | William Cheesemay |  |  |
| William Wenbam |  |  | Grorge F. Hoad ... |  |  |
| Albert Harman... |  | 4 | Frederick W. Rice |  |  | Albert Harman... ... ... 4 Frederick W. Rice ...Tenon Composed by Frederick A. Holden, and Conducted by Oliver Sippetts.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.
the midland counties association AND THE ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY, BURTON-ON-TRENT. On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Nineteer Minutes, At the Church of St. Paul,
A PEAL OF STEDSAA TRIPLES, 5640 CHANGES; Heywonds Ten-Part, No. i. Tenor $28 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. William E. White ...Treble Algernon P. G. Stone *Charles Sanders ... ... 2 Johy H. Swinfield ... 6 Regivalit G. Sione ... ... 3 Albert P. Wakley ... 7 Edward I. Stone ... ... 4 George Bull ... ... Tenor

Conducted by Albert P. Wakley.

* First peal of Trifles.

BOLDMERE, WARWICKSHIRE
the st. martin's guild for the diocese of BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minuts, At ine Parish Church,
A PEAL of stednan triples, 5 ean Changes;
Sir A. P. Heymood's Variation of Therstans',

John Sanders ... ... ... 2 George F. Swain... ... 6
George Garrison ... ... 3 Villiam J. Meers ... ... 7
Jonathan Preston ... ... 4 William G. Anker... ... Tenor
Conducted by William J. Meers.
First peal in the method as conductor and rung on the eve of the conductor's birthday. First peal on the bells in which a lady has taken part.

TURVEY, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Ninteon Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL of Superlatiye surprise major, 5088 changes;
Tenor 19 cwt .
*Wilfred Sharp ... ...Tieble | James Houghton ... ... 5
Henry Blundell ..... .2 2 Herbert Rainbow ... ... 5
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Fred Hopper } & . . & . . . & \cdots & 3 \\ \text { John T. Hensman } & . . . & . . & 7\end{array}$


Composed by N. J. Pitstow, and Conducterl by William J. Allen.

- First peal in the method. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Rev. F. W. Fulford for so readily granting permission to ring, and also for his kind hospitality after the peal.


## EDMONTON.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF NEW CAMJRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 Chances; Tenor $177_{3}^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Miss Edith K. Parker ...Treble *Albert A. Hughes ... 5
George Radley .. ... ... 2 Grorge A. Card ... ... 5
Walter J. Bowden... ... 3 James Parker
Frank Bennett ... ... 4 George 1’aice ... ... ... Tthor
Composed by H. W. Wilde, and
Conducted by Miss E. K. Parker.

* First peal in the method.


## WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, DEVON

 THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Johin the Evangelist,
A PEAL OF GRAEDGIRE TPIPLES, 5040 CHAMGE;

Holt's Ten-Part.
Edward G. Stocker... ...Treble
Edwin Shepherd ... ... 2
Frederick Dimond ... $\cdot \cdots$.. 3 J. Howard R. Frieborn 7
John R. Hayman $. . . \quad . . .84$ James Chudley ... ... Tenor
Conducted by Johs R. Hayman.
Quickest peal on the bells.
BROMLEY COMMON, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Luke,

## a peal of stedman triples, 5040 changes;

Sir A. P. Heywood's Variation
Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$
Walter S. Wise ... ...Treble | Walter Smith ... ... 5 Edwin Barnett, Sent. ... 2 Robert Mrett-Smith ... 6 Edivin F. Pike ... ... ... 3 Thos. Groombridge, Senr. 7 Reginald Brough $\quad . .$. Conducted by Thomas Groombridge, Senr.

* First peal.

GODALMING, SURREY.
THE ONFORD DIOCFSAN GUILD
O. Saturdaj, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Eightecn Minutes,

Ajthe Church of SS. leter and Paul,
A peal cá superlative surprise major, 5056 Changes;
Tenor 25 civt
Rev. G. F. Coleridge...Treblo | Charles Giles... ... ... 5

- Alired T. Reeves... ... 2 | Frank Blondell ... ... 6

Thomas W. Radiord $\cdots \cdots \begin{array}{llll} & 3 & \text { Rev. Cyril Jenkyn } & . . . \\ 7\end{array}$ Albert E. Reeves... ... 4 Alfred H. Pulling ...Temor

Composed by G. Lindoff, and
Conducted by Alfred h. Pulling.

* First peal of Major. First peal of Superlative on the bells.

LYDNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Mary,
a peal of crandsire triples, 5040 chances; Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor if cwt.

| John W. Davis .. | ..Troble | Atbert Goulding ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John W. Jones | 2 | John Austin ... ... ... 6 |
| Grorge Condick, Senr. | 3 | Ex-Sergt. J. Williams... 7 |
| Arthur E. Morgan |  | - George Charles ... ... Tenor |

* First peal. Rung after meeting one short for Treble Bob.


## LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At St. John's, Deptford, S.E.,

## A PEAL OF GRANBSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Original. Tenor 14 cwt. o qr. 18 lbs., in F. George H. Daynes ... Tveble William J. Jeffries ... 5 Joseph Law ... ... ... 2 Fredk. Wm. Richardson 6 - Jim Hurrell ... ... ... 3 † †Ernest B. Crowder ... 7 *Thomas A. Easterby ... 4 Alfred G. Benningion Tenor Conducted by Ernest B. Crowder.
First peal. † First peal as conductor.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, May 5, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Church of St. Nicolas,

## A PEAL OF STED涡AN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
*Edward A. Etheridge ...Treble Henry Hutton ... ... 2 Alfred H. Pulling ... 3 Maurice Smither ... ... 4 ...... 7

Tenor 23 cwt., in $E$.
Charles Hazelden ... 5 Sydney G. Steer ... ... 6 Frank Blondell ... ... 7 ..Tenor Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.

* First peal of Stedman. Rang on the eve of the anniversary of the King's Accession, also as a birthday compliment to S. G. Steer's son.


## SIX 8 FIVE BeLL PEALS.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.
IHE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On IVednesiay, April 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes, At the Church cf St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MASMOR, डE40 CHAHGES:
Being 720 each of College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

| Charles Bailey | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | George Batley | $\ldots$ | .. | 4 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Willam Clover | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Villiaim Rose ... | ... | .. | 5 | Alpheve Berry... ... ... $3^{\text {. }}$ Frederick Wating ....Tenor Conducted by William Rose.

Messrs. Bailey hail from Rickinghall and F. Watling from Saxmundham.

## BRIXWORTH

THE (FNTRAL NORTELAMPTONSHIIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 26, 1913. in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor ig cwt.
James Slarke
Fred Hopper Fred Vilford ... Tenor Conducted by Fired Hopier.
First peal on the bells. The ringer of the treble is 72 years of age. The rinsers, together with the local men, were entertained to tea by the IRector.
..Treble Alfred H. Martin... $\ldots{ }^{\ldots} . . .{ }^{2} \left\lvert\, \begin{array}{llll} & \end{array}\right.$
$\qquad$the First peal. + First peal of Minor. First peal as conductor. Alt the ringers belong to the Ditchling Branch. IRung on the eve of the Festival of the Ascension. First peal on the bells.

## WHITCHURCH, OXON.

THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Weanesday, April 30, 1913, in Two Hows and Forty Minutes, At the Parish Church,

$$
\text { A PEAL OF NIMOR, } 5040 \text { CHANGES ; }
$$

Being two 720's each of Canterbury Pleasure and Oxford Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt. o qr. 6 ibs.
William Laivrence ... ...Treble John Bower
George Parsons... ... ... 2 James Abery ... ... ... 3 Miss Mary Chillingworth 3 George Abery... ... ...Tenor Conducted by James Abery.
First peal on the bells. Rung to celebrate the marriage of Nliss Annie Aldridge (niece to the ringer of the treble) of Beech Farm, Whitchurch, to Mr. John Bucknell, of Coley Park Farm, Reading. Miss Chillingworth is from Bradfeld, Berks, and Messrs. Parsons and Abery from Theale, Berks; Bower from Goring, Oxon, and Lawrence from St. Stephen's, West Ealing.

## LAMBERHURST, KENT.

 TIIE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Thres Honrs and Five Minntes, At the Ceurch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF PINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.
Edinin Limbert... ... ...Tricble Albert Relfe ... ... ... 4 George Fuller... ... ... 2 . Albert Henley ... ... 5 Harry Price ... ... ... 3 Valter Marshall... ... Tihor Conducted by W. Marshall.
Rung as a birthclay compliment to A. Henley; also to the conductor's danghter..

EAST HARLING, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSUCIATION.
On Saturlay, May 3, 1913, in Two Howrs and Thivty-mine Minutes, At the Choreh of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF BGB MINJR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being seven 720's. Tenor II cwt.
Williari Duncan ... ...Treble "Villiam Eagling ... ... $4^{4}$ James Folcher ... ... ... 2 Alfred Newson ... ... 5 Hórace Haylett ... ... 3 | Holiver Bullman ... ...Tenor Conducted by Oliver Bullman.
*First peal. † First peal as conductor.

## GISBURN, YORISSHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Blackburn Branch.)
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Howrs and Twenty Minutes,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5760 CHANGES;

Being 720 Bob Minor, four 720's Oxford Treble Bob, and three of Ǩent Treble Bob. Tenor 9 ciwt.
Thomas Wilson... ... ...Tereble William E. Wilson ... 4 Alfred Brook ... ... ... 2 William Mallinson ... 5 Arthur Tomlinson ... ... 3 John Watson ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by W. Mallinson
This is the first peal on the bells, which were hung in 1818. First peal of Ninor by all except the ringer of the 5 th.

MARTLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE,
ЭHE WORCESTERSIIIRE AN゙D DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Western Branch.)
Or Saturda; May 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Being 42 Six-Scores. Tenor $I_{4}$ cwt., in E.
*Allen Tyler ... ... ...Tteble Samuel J. Eaton ... ... 4 Thomas Bullock .... ... 2 Rev. James F. Hastings 5 Ernest Gibbs ... ... ... 3 Villiail Ranford ... ...Tenon Conducted by Ernest Gibbs.

* First peal. Quickest peal on the bells. Rung in honour of the Feast of the Ascension.


## THORPE MALSOR, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, May 3. 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being seven 720's, each called differently.
Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. Ig lbs.
Percy J. Lenton ... ...Tyeble| Arthur E, Sharman
George Holland ... ... 2 Albert E Wykes .... 4
George Foster... ... ... 3 Horace W. Sharmay ... 5
Conducte 1 by H. W. Sharman.
First peal by the ringer of the $4^{\text {th }}$, who was elected a member before starting for the peal.

## DENTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Southern Branch.)
On Saturduy, May J, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB BHMSR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being :thres 720's of Oxford and four 720 's of Kent, each called differently. Tenor 15 cwt .
$\dagger$ Harri Thorpe ... ... ...Treble |Aleert C. Darnell ... 4 †Villiam G. Thorfe ... 2 |Sidney Proctor ... ... 5 tRev. C. J. Siurton ... 3 |Benjamin A. Kneghts ...T Tenor Conducted by Bewjamin A. Knights.

* First peal of Minor. +First peal of Treble Bob Minor. First peal on the bells. IRung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. W. G. Thorpe and A. Taylor, members of the Grantham band.

PENARTH, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE JLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes.
At the Church of St. Augustine,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor I4 cwt David Thomas ... ... ...Tyeble . Fred Chamberlain ... 4 William B. Biss $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad{ }^{\circ}$ Dr. Arthur J. H. Boyton 5 Frank J. Bailey ... ... 3 Sidney Dawe ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by D. Thomas.

* First peal in the method.


## ASPLEY GUISE, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Botolph,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Violet, Woodbine, and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor rol $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Mark Lane ... ... ... ...Tieble Charles Stapleton
John Coore ......
Charles Wm. Clarke $\quad . . .03$ William Stapleton ...Tenoy
Conducted by William Stapleion.
BURLEAGE, BUXTON.
On Monday, May 5. 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB FINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Consisting of three 720's of Kent and four of Oxford, called differently. Tenor rol cwt .
-J. W. Hampson ... ...Treble $\mid \ddagger$ F. P. Walwyn ......$\quad$... 4 †Sydney Kink $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Henry Kirk
W. Longden $\quad . .$. Conducted by Henry Kirk.

* First peal and first attempt. † First peal inside and first attempt.
$\ddagger$ First peal of Minor and first attempt. First peal as conductor. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Mr. Ernest H. Nall, choirmaster and organist of St. James' Church, Harper's Hill, in Burleage parish, to Miss L. Appleton, of Buxton.


## LIVERPOOL.

THE L,ANCCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary, Grassendale,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of York, London, Beverley, and Cambridge Surprise,
Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor If $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Thomas Murray... ... ...Tveble | Edward Caunce Thomas Jennion ......
George R. Newton ... ... 3 John Allen ... ... ....Tenor
Conducted by George R. Newton.
Rung to celebrate the gist birthday of Mr. P. F. Garnett, the father of the esteemed Vicar's warden.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDIESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND IUNDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, April 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minntes, At the George IV., Bronswick Street,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5041 CHANCES;
Rev. A. H. F. Boughey... I-2 ${ }^{2}$ Rev. E. Bankes James... 5-6 William Pye ... ... ... $3-4$ Ernest Pye ... ... ... $7-8$ Alfred W. Grimes ... ... 9-io
Composed by Gabriel Lindjff, and Conducted by William Pye.
Umpires: J. I'arry and H. C. Alford.

* First peal in the method in hand.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Tuesday, April 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, In the Belfry of Holy Trinity Church,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5151 CHANGES ;

Rev. A. H. F. Boughey 1 -2 $\mid$ Rev. E. Bankes James 5-6 Alfred H. Pulling ... 3-4 Thomas W. Radford ... 9-io Composed by G. Lindoff, and
Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.
Umpire: W. E. Madiden.
GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, April 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes, In the Belfry of Holy Trinity Church,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Size 21 in $D$.
Rev. A. H. F. Boughey... i-2 Alfred H. Pulling ... 5-6 Willoughby E. Maulden 3-4 $\begin{aligned} & \text { Frank Blondell ... ... } \\ & 7\end{aligned}$ Composed by F. A. Holden, and Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling. Umpire: Rev. E. Bankes James.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, April 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,
In the Belfry of Holy Trinity Church,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thurstans' Four-Part. Size i8 in G.
Alfred H. Pulling ... 1 - $2 \mid$ *Rev. E. Bankes James 5-6 Rev. A. H. F. Boughey 3-4 Willoughby E. Maulden 7-8 Conducted by Alfred H. Polling.

* First peal of Stedman Triples on handbells.


## CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Sunday, May 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Five Minutes, At Pembroke College,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;
J. Bruce Williamson... i-2 ${ }^{*}$ Frederick Barker.. .5 5-6 William D. James ... $3-4 \mid \dagger$ F. Philip Cheetham ... 7 - 8

Composed by George Wililams, and Conducted by William D. James.

- First peal with an inside pair. † First peal of Major.


## ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Or Monday, May 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At "Llanrock," Avence Road,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANCES;

Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake i-2 ! George D. Coleman ... 5-6 Sydney J. Coleman ... $. . .3-4 \mid$ Edmond C. Chasty $. . .7-8$ Composed by J. W. Washbroor, and Conducted by George D. Coleman.

The peal at Fressingfield, recorded last week, was rung on April 26th not 12th as sent in.

## LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

An attempt upon the Treble Bob Royal record is to be made at Ashton-under-Lyne on Saturday week. The honorary secretary of the Ashton-under-Lyne Society has sent us notice for publication in the following terms:-

In the tower of St. Michael and All Angels', on WhitSaturday, May rith, rgr3, an attempt will be made to exceed the standing record of Kent Treble Bob Royal, singing to commence at $S$ o'clock a.m.

## late peal.

FELTHAM, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, May 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-cight Minutes, At the Church of St. Catherine,
a PEAL OF KENT TREBLE bOB MAJOR, 5024 Chances;
Tenor If cwt. 2 qr. ig lbs.


## NINE HUNDRED PEALS.

MR. ERNEST PYES RECORD.
The fourth ringer to accomplish the feat, Mr. Eirnest Pye, has reached his 900 th peal, and by a remarkable coincidence it was his 100th peal of Iondon Surprise. It was rung at Romford, and it is noteworthy that it was the first peal of London which he has called, although probably no ringer is better able to conduct a peal in this intricate method. Appended is his list of peals:-

On Tower Bells. $\begin{gathered}\text { Handibells. } \\ \text { Rung. Condtd. }\end{gathered} \quad$ Rung. Condtd.
On six bells
Grandsire Triples
Grandsire Caters
Grandsire Cinques
Stedman Triples
Stedman Caters


A, including 11,111 record; $B$, including 15,$072 ; \mathrm{C}$, including $\overline{10}, 464$; D , including 14,112 record: E, including 15,264 record; *including one non-conducted. Rung in 274 different towers, in 44 different counties in England, Wales. Ireland and Scotland, and one on the Irish Sea.

## SALISBURY GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Devizes branch was Fold at Trowbritge on Saturday The bells of St James' Church were available at three oclock, and although the weather was very unfarourable, a good nimber of ringars from various towers soon assembled. Tea was served in the Vestry Roum by Mr. Elloway, of the Fore Street Refreshment Rooms, 27 sitting down.
The business mseting followed, at which, owing to the absence of the Rev. J. A. Sturton (chairman), the Rev. H. E. Tilney-Bassett kindly took the chair, and was supported by Mr. H. Brownlee West (hon. sec.), the Rev. P A. Nash, Rector of Trowbridge, and ringing members from Keevil, Egham, Devizes St. Mary, Urchfont. Southbroom, Bradford, Devizes St. John, Trowbridge, Westbury, Holt, Bath, Melksham, and Beechingstoke-Mr, S Hector, of Trowbridge, was elected a life ringing nember, and six new "hands" were elected as members of the Guild, viz., Messrs. P. J. Herrington and H. Taylor from Melksham; R. Toomer and W. Kert from Fittleton: F. K. Greenland from Brad-ford-on-Avon, and Geo. Derham from Holt.
The three next meeting places were then discussed, and after some little conversation, were decided upon thusly: June 7th, at Enford; July 5 th, at Holt; August 9th, at Melksham.
A hearty vote of thanks was then passed to the Rector of Trowbridge for the use of the church bells, and also the use of the Vestry Room, to which he responded in a short, but very kind speech, saying how pleased he was to mect the ringers of the Guild at Trowbridge. for the first time during his incumbency there.
The ringers then returned to the tower, where more linging was indulged in, and thus a very pleasant meeting was brought to a close.

## CHRIST CHURCH BELLS, BOSTON, U.S.A.

 english ringers assist at the re-opening.Christ Church bells, boing the first ring shipped from England, are w? 1 known in America by reason of their purity of tone, long vibration ar. carrying power, a characterstic of the products of the Rudhall toundry at about the middle of the eighteenth century, as illustrated in the peal of All Saints'. Fulham, St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, and many others still preserved.

Situated in a remote section of Boston, abandoned to Italians, Russian' Jews and Portugese, the edifice had been for many years neglected, while its bells had become unringable; when, fortunately, the parish caine under the control of Bishop Lawrence, through whose exertions an extensive restoration has at length been effected.
Although it was found nccessary to renew headstocks, wheels, stays, and even clappers, the bells were in perfect order; and when quarterturneck and re-hung, under the supervision of Mr. Gibbons, of the Whitechapel foundry, could be managed with the least appreciable effort, and with corresponding improvement in tone.
The eve of April 19th, the amiversary of a holiday known in Massachusetts as Patriots' Day, was selected for the opening, and after a brief service, conducted by the Bishop, and display of Ianterus from the steeple. the bells burst out in touches of Grandsire to the satisfaction of a heterogeneous multitude which thronged the adjacent streets. And if one were to jutge by the sympathetic cheers, which at times overpowered the music of the bells, there is evidence that change ringing may at length in this locality at least be received with favour. The bells, eight in number, with tenor of 15 cwt ., were cast in 174.4, and are now as perfect as when sent across the water from Bristo!.
Noticeable in the ringing chamber for their graceful handling of the ropes were our ear'iest recruits, George Moore, of Maidstone, Kent; Willian Bashford, of Nutfieid, Surres; and Philip J. Alfr'ey, of Brighton, the latter having reported most opportunely on the very day of the celehration. We are expecting to welcome as the next instalnent of volunteers Richard Newton, of Manchester, and S. J. Perkins, of Tumbridge Wells, while several other helpers are arranging to join us in the month of June.
55, AIount Vernon Street, Boston, U.S.A
A. H. NICHOLS, M.D.

## RINGING FOR CHURCH FESTIVALS. <br> To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-On looking through the list of peals in last week's "Ring. ing World,' I found there were 19 peals rung on tower bells on Saturday. April 19th, St. Alphege's Day, but in only two instances is there any mention that the peal was rung in honcur of that day. Probably the reason why St. Alphege's Day wasn't mentioned in the remaining 17 instances was that the ringers didn't think or didn't know it was St. Alphege's Day, and I am of opinion this is the case with regart to many other Saints' Days, etc. The ringers, unleas they have a good almanac handy, or some other means, do not always know when these Saints Days cecur, and it has struck me that it would not be a bad idea if a list, with dates, of all Saints' Days. Church Festivals, Anniversaries, etc., was printed in "The Ringing World.
In several cases peal records have been printed with a footnote that the peal was rung in honour of the birth of a son or a daughter to one of the ringers, or in honour of one of the ringers' birthdays. In my opinion, such a footnote would be far better left out. In the first place, the bells belong to and are part of the church, and, therefore, should be used in the sersice of the church. Such a footnote as I hare just mentioned makes it look as if the church was only a secondary consideration
Secondly, it is well known that many people would like to see ringing abolished, and there is no doubt the promoters of a Bill in Parliament wilh such an object in view would examine the ringing papers to see what they could get hold of to support their case, and I fancy they would pick ount thess footnotes and point cut that peals were not rung in honour of the cluurch, etc. If all the peals possible contained a footnote that they were rung in honour of a Festival of the Church or a Saints' Day, ringers weuld have a much better case, and the publication of a list such as I have indicated would, I think, result in this beiber brought about.
I should be glad to have your opinion, and also of any other ringers on this malter.-Yours faithfully,
Stapleford, Cambs.
ALBERT E. AUSTIN
The idea that more notice should be taken of the Church Festivals by ringers has been several times advocated in these columns, and there is an increasing tendency to ring peals on these occasions. With a view to reminding ringers of the Festivals, we hope in future to give a. monthly list. We begin with those which occur in this month and

## May 11, Whitsun Day. 18, Trinity Sunday

Juns 11. St. Barnabas.
24. .t. Tohn the Baptist. 20, st. Peter.
TWYEORD, HANTS.-Winchester Diocesan Guild.-On Easter Sunday morning, at St. Mary's Chureh, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triplea ${ }^{1260}$ changes), in 44 mins.: S. Stratton (first quarter-peal) 1, F. Oxenbury 2, W. Carter 3. E. Wateridge 4, T. Spratt 5, W. Young 6, L. Lampard (conductor) 7, J. Penton 8.

## BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

successful meeting at midsomer norton.
The annual meeting of the Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery branch was anld at Midsomer Norton on Saturday, and, although the weather was not at all pleasant, a goodly number of members attended, thus encouraging the hon. secretary, who had becn feeling rather clespondent. The bells, a beautiful ring of eight, were sct groing soon after 3 p.m., and at 4.15 p.m. evensong was conducted by the Rev. J. Pitkin (curate-in-charge), assisted by the Rev. J. E. W. Honnywill (President of the branch). Tea and businoss followed in the school. The usual items of business, including the admission of new members and the selection of place for next meeting, baving been transacted, the officers for the ens'ing yoar were elected. The Rev. J. I. W. Honnywill was re-elected as Deanery President, and Mr. Y. B. Holmyard as honi. secretary. Mr. A. M. G. Daniel, of Frome, was clected as the representative of the branch on the General Committee of the Association.- Hearty votes of thanks were passed to all who had contributed towards the success of the meeting. these including the President, the Rev. J. Pitkin, the churchwardens, the choir, Mrs. Holmyard (who provided an excellent toa), and the honorary secretary.
A very gratifying feature of the mecting was the presence of two sncls well-known ringers as Messrs. W. A. Cave and F. Priee (both of Bristol), whose skill in the tower greatly assisted in the production of some very pretty touches of Stedman and Grandsiro Triples.-The President and inon, secretary wish to thank these gentlemen for their kindness in attending the meeting, and they hope to see them freguently at future gatherings. The towers represanted included Frome (St. John's), Leigh-on-Mendip, Camerton, Paulton, Migh Littleton, and Midsomer Norton. Ringing was continucd till nearly 9 p.m., everyone agreeing that the meeting had been most enjoyable in every way.

## CASTLE CARY DEANERY BRANCII.

A meetiag of tine Castic Cary b:anch was held at Marston Magna on Saturday last, and a very wet day no doubt kept a good many from: altending the meeting. However, bstwean 30 and 40 were present,
representing Batcombe. Evercreech, Ditcheat, Castle Cary, Templerepresenting Batcomb. Evercreech, Ditcheat, Castle Cary, Tcmple-
contbe, Wcot Lvaford, Queen Camel, Birmingham (St Mary's), Marslon Magna and Mudford. - A short service was hicld in the Parish Church, where the Vicar (the Rer. G. F. C. Peppin) delivered a very instructive address, in the course of which he pointed out how tatally different balfries wero conducted at the present day, compared with the days gone by, and all praise was due to the splendid association of change ringers. The young beginners who were amongst them on that occasion must not be down-hearted if they found they were unable to do as much with the bells as the older hands, but if they persevered they would some day be skilled ringers. He was delighted to see so many young mell present, and hopsd they might bs spared to ring to the Glory of God for many years to come

After the service, tea was partaken of at the Red Lion Hotel, and the business meating followed. the Rev. G. F. C. Peppin being unanimouely roted to the chair. Two honorary and eight performing members were elected.-Castle Cary was chosen for the next meeting, in October.A hearty rota of thanks was accorded the Rev. G. F. C. Peppin for presiding, for the use of the bells and for the interesting address given at the service.-The Vicar having responded, a move was made to the tower, where the bells were kept going to varions methods. - A good many of the ringers paid a visit to the Queen Camel tower, where the finest peal of six in Somerset were kept going until after 9 p.m.

## BRIDGWATER BRANCH.

A quarterly meeting of the Briclowater branch was held at Chedzor on Saturday last. Scrvice was held in the church, conducted by the Rev. G. R. Mullens. and attended by members, representing Bridgwater. Huntspill, Chedzoy. Wembdon and Enmore.-Tea was partaken at the Manor House Hotel, followed bv the business meeting.-Eleren memleers were elected to the branch, including two hon. members, and Norlh Petherton was desided upon for the next quarterly meeting.A hearly vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. G. R. Mullens for the use of the bells, and for his able address; also to the organist, and to the Rev. D. (t. Samuel (brancla chairman) for presiding over the meet-ing.- $A$ return was made to the tower, when various methods kept the bells rolling for the remainder of the evening

PRESENTATION TOMISS MARGERY SAMPSON.
On Snturday, at Boldmere, at the conclusion of the peal of Stedman Triples, published on another page, Mr. J. Preston, secretary of tho Firdington branch of the St. Martin's Guild of Birmingham, prosented, on belalf of the members of Frdington, a framed peal card and photo of Erdington Church, and a photo of the Erdington ringers to Miss Margery F. Sampson, of Tamworth. In making the presentation, Mr. Preston said he hoped that Miss Sampson would accept the small gifi as a marlk of friendship, and as a fitting tribute on ringing her firsti peal for St. Martin's Society, and the pleasant time she spent with the ringers of Erdington--Miss'Sampson, who was completely taken by surprise, said the gift would always remind her of the many frients she had made in Erdington, and the joyous time she had spent witli them. She was pleased to have rung two peals with them, and asked them to accept her very best thanks and warm appreciation for their kindness.

## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Winchester District was held on Saturday at Lockerley and Tytherley. Both towers being some distance from any railway station, the Winchester party decided to motor down and picked up en route members from Twyford, Owslebury, and Hursley, among them being the curate of Hursley (the Rev. E. W. Suart). The party were met at Lockerley by the Vicar (the Rev. J. P. May), who gave them a hearty welcome, and conducted them to the belfry, where some touches of Bob Minor, Stedman and Grandsire Doubles were brought round. Members were also present from Eastleigh, North Stoneham and Upham.-A move was then made to Tytherley, where there are eight bells, and on which touches in standard methods were rung.
By the kind invitation of the Vicar of Loclerley, members were most hospitably entertained in the Chureh Foom at 5.15.-The Rev. W. E. Colchester, in proposing a vote of thanks to the Vicar, said it added very much to the pleasure of these meetings when members received such a warm welcome from the clergy of the parishes which they wisited. The Vicar, in responding, said it gave him great pleasure to mest the ringers, and hopod they would on some future occasion pay him another visit, and that by that time his own band might have become members of the Guild.-The Vicar of Tytherley (the Rev. I. Bourdillon) was also thanked for the use of his bells.
The Bishop of Southampton, in a conversation with the district serretary (Mr. J. W. Elkins), expressed a wish to again entertain the Guild at his residence during the summer, and it wrs left in the hands of the district secretary to arrange a date convenient to his lordship, Saturday early in July being suggested as a suitable time for members.
Seven new members of the Barton Stacey band were admitted to the Guild, and Mr. Wilfred Andrewe was appointed to give them a course of instruction.- Both towers were afterwards visited, and although the weather was not all that could be desircd, all agreed that the meeting had bcen a very enjoyable one.

## YORKTOWN DISTRICT.

The second quarterly meeting of the Yorktown district was held at Farnborough on Saturday last, but owing to the damp weather and to the fact that Farnborough has only five bells, it was not well atteuded. Only 17 ringers put in an appearance, representing Streatham St. Leonards), Kingston, Sunbury, Woking, Bagshot, Yorktown, and Yateley. After ringing in the afternoon, the members attended serrice, and sat down to tea in the Jubilee Hall, where the business meeting was afterwards held.-The Rector (the Rev. B. C. Jackson) presided, and gave the members a hearty welcome to his parish.-Mr. Marsh, of Plymouth, was elected a member of the Guild.-The Ringing Master (Mr. W. Shepherd), who. through pressure of business, was preiented from attending the meeting, sent a letter to the secretary giving a general survey of the quarter's work. This wan read and adopted as the Ringing Master's report for the quarter. - It was decided to visit Thersham, Oatlands Park, and Chertsey, for the all-day meeting on August Rank Holiday.-A vote of thanks, arcorded the Rector for his hospitality, concluded the meeting. Ringing was afterwards again indulged in, the methods rung being Grandsire Doubles, Plain Bob and Stedman Doubles on tower bells, and Grandsire Doubles and Triples on handbells.
meeting of the Guildford district was held at Binsted on Saturday, and was attended by ringers from Froyle, Cranleigh, Frensham, Shalford. Blackmoor, Farmham. Aldershot, and Guildford. There is no doubt that the hearty welcome extended to them will linger in the memories of those present for a long time to come, one member declarug publicly that the service alone was worth cycling 50 miles for. It was most impressive, tho ringers being met by the clergy and choir in procession, while the Guild's service has certainly never been more eartily rendered than in the grand old parish church.
Tea was held in the Institute, and the caretaker left nothing undone for the comfort of the visitors.- Eleven new members were elected, also two hon. members-the Rev. Campbell Crum, Rector of Farnham, and Mr. Geo. Gunner Chaleraft Churchwarden, of Binsted.-It was decided to hold the next district meeting at Puttenham on May 31st, and the next combined practice at Shere on June 14th, to have the pleasure of mecting the Mitcham ringers therc. The pretty peal of six were kept going in rarious methods, and the time for parting came all too soon.

## CHELMSFORD BELLS.

## MONEY RAISED FOR RECASTING.

The fete in aid of the restoration of the bells and clock of Chelmsford Church (the future Cathedral of Essex) proved a grent financial success, and the money required ( $£ 1,300$ ) has been more than realised. The fete itself, which extencled over four days, produced $£ 1,338$ 11s. $7 d$. To this amount has to be added subscriptions already received, £294 0s. 6d.; subscriptions promised. £33; gift of treble bell by Essex ringers, £25; gift of tenor bell by Col. and Mıs. Arkwright, £290; total, £1,900 12s. 1 c . Tho expenses amoint to about $£ 400$.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

 CANTERBURY DISTIRICT.The annual meeting of the Canterbury District was held at Ospringe, on Saturday, about 50 members attending. The bells were rung during the afternoon, and service was conducted by the Rev. F. J. O. Hel-more.-The Vicar gave an address, welcoming the members of the district to the parish, and, taking as a text the words of St . James, "Draw jigh to God and He will draw nigh to thee," he spoke of the assistance which the laity, and especially the ringers, hadd given to the clergy in the many parishes in which he had laboured and placed on record his own appreciation of their work. -Unfortunately the Vicar was suffering from a weak throat, and this oaused his address to be very short, and also necessitated his absence from the tea and business meeting which followed, much to the regret of all.-The Rev. R. Wyllie, however, ably took his place, and spoke of the pleasure he derived from the ringing of the bells. This was especially gratifying to the members present, as he lives near to the church, and while this zondition of things prevails the ringers need fear no complaint.
The District Secretary reported that 23 towers in the district were in union, representing a gain of four over last year-that 49 members of the district had taken part in the 15 peals rung during the year, 14 members having rung their first peal, and one had rung and conducted his first peal. The hope was expressed that more local peals would be rung, and that some of the so-called higher methods would be attempted.-Four new members were elected, and three elections were confirmed.-The Secretary and representative on the Central Committee were re-elected.

Deal and Walmer were chosen for the next annual meeting, Chilham for the autumn, and Birchington for the spring.-The Rev. F. J. O. Helmore proposed thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, arranging for the service, etc., and granting the use of the parish room; also to Mr. C. H. Drake for presiding at the organ.-This was seconded by Mr. Foreman, and carried.-Mr. E. G. Buesden and friends then gave a short touch of Stedman Triples on the handbells, and the members dispersed to the towers of Osprinee and Faversham.

LEWISHAM DISTRICT.
The quarterly meeting of the Lewisham district was held at Chislehurst on Saturday week. About 50 were present at the service, which was conducted by the Rev. J. F. Dawson (Rector), and the address was given by the Rev. J. Drew Roberts on "Rells. their inscriptions and' meanings."-A bountiful tea was provided in the Village Hall by the Rector and Mr. A. F. Nussey (one of the churchwardene), to which 58 sat down.

The business meeting followed, the Rev. Basil F. W. French (curate) presiding till the return of the Rector from another service. - The election of two members in towers was confirmed. Farningham was chosen as the place of the next marterly meeting cn the third Saturday in July. It was also decided to hold a meeting at Downe, on the first Saturday in June. if it could be arranged.
Mr. A. F. Nussey then gave the Association a nearty welcome. It had, he said. given him great pleasure to listen th the bells that day, because it brought back happy recollections, it being the 43rd anniversary of his weddino day (applause). - A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for the usc of the bells and arranging the service, to the Rector and Mr. A. F. Nussey for providing the tea, to the Rev. J. D. Roberts for his address, and to the Rev. B. French for so kindly meeting them.-The Rector, in replving, said it had giren them all great pleasure, and he hoped thev would come again on some future occasion.-Tbe tower was again visited, and various tollches brought round.

## THE PEAL AT WHITCHURCH.

A very pretty ceremonv was performed bv the Rev. Canon Trotter (Rector) in the Parish Church of Whitchurch. on Wednesday of last weok. when Miss Annie Aldridge, only daughter of the late Mr. Chas. Aldridge, of Beech Farm, Whitchurch, was married to Mr. John Bucknell. of Coley Park Farm. Reading.-Following the ceremony in the church, a recention attended by over fifty genests, was held at the home of the bricle, and as the bridal party left, some excellent call changes were rund on the bolis br the local band. In the evening. by the kind permission of the Rector-who, by-the-way. met the band at the entrance to the belfy. gave them a hearty welcome, and wished them success-a peal of 5040 changes was rung br members of the Oxford Guild, a record of which appears in the ustal columns. Messis. C. Excell and A. Green, two of the local band, sat in the belfry during the whole of the peal. which is the first on the bells, a musical ring recast and rehung in December of last year by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Crordon.

## FAREWELL PEAL LOST

On Monday week, at the Church of St. Luke, Liverpool, a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major was attempted, and lost, only two leads from home, after 3 hrs .6 mins. ringing, owing to the heavy going of the tenor, caused through the chiming apparatus becoming disconnected during the ringing. The peal had been arrangedi as a farewell to Mr. Richard Newton, of Manchester, on the eve of his departure from Tiverpool to Roston. TT.S.A. He sailed the next day with the best wishes of his ringing friends in Liverpool and district, among whom he has always been held in hioh esteem. The hand who attemnted the peal were: F. Murtav 1. Th. Tennm 2. G. Woodhall 3, E. Breeze 4, E. Caunce 5, G R. Newton (conductor) 6, Richard Newton 7, J. Turuer 8.

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# BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS.CARLISLE. 

By J. R. Jerram.

The central tower of Carlisle Cathedral contains a peal of six bells, tenor about 14 cwt . note F .

These bells have not been rung for more than roo years. None of them have had perfect wheels within the memory of anyone now living, though in the accounts of $165^{2}$ we find an item "Payed for the belles wheeles and their repaireing as also for the gaites of the Churchyeard making and repareing o5 17 ro."

## Fifth.

+I:H:C + IN:VOCE:SUM:MUNDA:MARIA : SONANDO:SECUNDA + I:B.
('This inseription is in Lombardic capitals).
Tenor.
I WARNE YOV HOW YOVR TIME DOTH PASS AWAY.
SERVE GOD THERFOR WHIL LIFE DOTH LAST AND SAY
GLORIE IN AXCELSIS DEO (sic) ANNO DOMINI 1657.

IOHN AND WILLIAM LANGSHAW WORKMEN.


Carlisle Cathedral.

The inscriptions are as follows:-
Treble.
I w L. 1659.
Second.
GEORE (sic). FLEMING.DD.DECANVS.GLORIA IN ALTISSIMIS DEO. 1728 \& ( $\left.\begin{array}{c}\text { E. Seller } \\ \text { Ebur }\end{array}\right)$ ही

Third.

+ IESVS BE OVR SPEED. GEOR. LEES EDMVND WRIGHT BELFOVNDERS. WILL. ORBEL L.M. 1608.
(This inscription is in Lombardic capitals).
Fourth.
THOMAS MEARS FOUNDER, LONDON, 1845 .

There is a tradition that these bells were rung on November 17 th, 1745 , when the Pretender entered Carlisle, and that for this they were condemned not to be rung again for roo years. However this may be, it is stated that they were chimed with ropes on the clappers at the news of the rictory at the Battle of Waterloo, and thus the old fourth bell was cracked. She was then taken down, and remained in the Cathedral till 1845 , when she was recast by Mears, as the inscription records. The old bell is said to have borne the following inscription: "This ring lias made six tuneable bells at the charge of the Lord Howard and other gentree of the countie and citie and officers of the garisson by the advice of Mager Jeremiah Tolhurst, governor of the garisson 1658 .'

## ODD CHANGES.

The Rev. W. W. C. Baker is the first Rural Dean to conduct a peal for the Beds Association, of which he is the Master. How many more of the ringing clergy, we wonder, hold the office of Rural Dean. We know of one -the Rev. G. F. Coleridge.

An attempt was made for a peal upon Exeter Cathedral
bells on Saturday week, but it unfortunately came to grief after 3,000 changes had been rung in 2 hrs. 32 mins. Attempts for peals upon these magnificent bells are few and far between, and it is a pity that this one was not successful. The ringers were : E. Shepherd (conductor) i, G. W. Challice 2, A. W. Searle 3, A. Monkley 4, F. J. Davey 5, W. Richardson 6, E. Sargent 7, J. Moss 8, J. R. H. Freeborn 9, A. G. Betts and W. Vickery 10 (tenor $7^{2}$ cwits.).

- Overcoats and umbrellas are very scarce at Grantham, so say the band who scored the first peal on Denton bells on Saturday last. Having finished ringing, they took refuge in the local hostelry, hoping for the rain to cease, but at "turning out" time they had to face a four miles' walk in a drenching downpour without any of the aforementioned articles, and arrived at Grantham at in. 30 p.m. "soaked to the skin." Better luck after your next peal of Minor, Benjamin!

Two interesting cuttings, * reproduced from the "Norfolk Chronicle " of a century ago, have reached us. The issue of April $17{ }_{7}$ th, 1813 , contained the following :-
Thursday last, were rung on St. Giles' (Norwich) musical peal of eight bells ( 6272 changes) of that intricate method of Treble Bob, in 4 hre. 7 mins. The peal was conducted by Mr. R. Chesnutt, and being rang by that ingenious company, the St. Peter's ringers, we have no doubt of its being a masterly performance: the Bobs were called in six places, and not in the usual method of that extensive peal.

In the following issue the acceptance of a remarkable challenge was announced :-

Mr. Samuel Thurston having challenged any man in England to ring with him for one hundred pounds, the company of ringers belonging to St. Peter's, of Mancroft, Norwich, in order to prevent any person from being imposed upon by fallacious pretences, feel it incumbent on them to accept the challenge, although, at first, they were inclined to pass it with the silent contempt it merits. They, therefore, announce to Mr. Thurston that they have appointed one of their company to meet him at any twelve-bell steeple, not less than one hundred miles from Norwich; and, in order to secure the utmost impartiality, they propose that eleven men shall be selected from London to ring with each party, and to decide on their respective merits. All expenses to be paid by the losing party, in addition to the wager. We wonder what the outcome of this wager was !

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## ARRANGEMENTS AND AGENDA FOR THE NEWCASTLE MEETING.

The Second Session of the Eighth Council (23rd annual meeting) will be held on Whitsun Tuesday, May r3th, 1913, at II a.m. punctually, in the Lecture Theatre of the Mining Institute of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The morning sitting will be adjourned from i p.m. till 2.30 p.m., from which hour the Council will sit, if necessary, until $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

The Standing Committee will meet previously at 9.45 a.m. in the same room.
N.B.-The Mining Institute is situate in Neville Street, at the corner of Orchard Street, midway between the railway station and the Cathedral, being distant about two minutes' walk from either.

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1 Minutes of the last Meeting
2. Statement of Accounts and of Sales of Publications.
3. Election of Honorary Members.
4. Introduction of New Members to the President.
5. Report as to the Resolution passed last year against the Welsh Church Bill.
6. To receive and discuss the Reports of the following Committees: (a) Peal Collection.
(b) Literature
(c) Legitimate Methods.
(d) Peals Analysis.
(e) Towers and Belfries.

To discuss the following:-
7. The possibility of an unfavourable change in the attitude of the general public towards bell ringing as a result of the increasing number of peals annually rung.
8. That the Council is of opinion that Superlative Surprise Royal, as published by Shipway, is the same method as Superlative Surpriso Major.
9. That the Ladies' Guild of Change Ringers should be repre sented on the Council, and, if thought well, to move a resolution on the subject.
10. To call renewed attention to the Council's reoommendation passed in 1902, and incorporated in "Rules and Decisions," to the effect that not less than seven days' notice shall be given in the columns of the ringing papers stating the tower, day and hour at which any attempt is to be made to surpass any previous peal.
11. To fix the place of meeting for next year

1之. Other business, if any.
CHARLES D. P. DAVIES,
Hon. Secretary.
The President of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association of Change Ringers, Mr. C. L. Routledge, of 62, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne, announces the following arrangements, which he has most kindly made with a view to furthering the comfort and enjoyment of those attending the Council. Anyone needing further help or information is requested to communicate with him.

On Monday, May isth, a room has been reserved in the County Hotel, facing the Central Station, from 7 p.m., for the reception and entertainment of representatives and friends on their arrival. Visitors should ask at the hotel office for the "Prince of Wales' Room." There will be handbells and music.

Visitors able to be present at the Whitsuntide meeting of the Durham and Newcastle Association at North Shields and Whitley Bay will be heartily welcomed and entertained by the members. Formal notice of this meeting appears in the columns of this paper.

Arrangements will be made for a Central Council peal on the ten bells at Newcastle Cathedral on Monday, May 12 th, at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tenor $37 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Peals will be arranged for those spending the week-end in the district if they will kindly send in their names in good time.

Previous to the soiree and conversazione, which will be held as usual from 9 to in p.m. on Tuesday evening, at the County Hotel, there will be a smoking concert at $7 \cdot 30$ p.m. in the same hotel, to which all visitors and friends are invited.

Endeavours will be made to obtain rooms (private or hotel) for those writing in advance for them.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.Should any Central Council members be in Newcastle on Whit-Sunday they will find a welcome at the Cathedral. Time of service ringing 6 and 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.-E. Ferry, Honorary Secretary.

FIGURES FOR COUNCILLORS TO STUDY.
The fellowing figures relate to a motion on the agenda:-

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Mombers of the Cent:al Council are requested to bring these figures to the meeting.
II. LAW JAMES.

## "The Bells of Shoreditch."



The ring of 12 bells of St. Leonard's Church, Shoreditch, at the Foundry of Messrs. John Warner \& Sons.

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## THE SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.

## ANNUAL MEETING AT LEWES.

EXCELLENT START FOR BENEVOLENT FUND.
For the first time in its history, the Sussex County Acsociation held its annual meeting in the county town of Lewes on Saturday, but strange to relate, the attendance fell below the average. Nevertheless, the gathering was in every other way highly successful. True, there are not the outside entertainments which are to be found at those seaside resorts for which Sussex is famous, but from the ringers' point of view, Lewes has its attractions. In Southover Church, which is of Norman origin and is the burying place of Gundrada, a daughter of William the Conqueror, and her husband, William de Warrenne, there is a very tuneful peal of ten bells (one of the only two peals of ten in the county), while the tower has many interesting associations with the past doings of the county ringing organisation. The bells were available during the morning, and ringers began to gather early in the day. A company, numbering about fifty, sat down to dinner at the Bear Hotel, the Bishonp of Lewes, in the unavoidable absence of the Bishop of Chichester, through indisposition, presiding. He was supported by the Master (Mr. F. B. Tompkins), the Hon. Sec. (MIr. George Watson), Miss Humble-Crofts, and Miss M. Humble-Crofts, of Waldron, the only two resident lady ringers in the association; the Rev. T. H. Windle, Rector of Southover' ; the Rev. Cresswell Gee, Rector of Twineham; Mr. R. C. Ford (hon. treasurer), and Councillor C. Hill (Hastings)

After dinner the loyal toast was honoured, and the Master then proposed "The Church and State." He deprecated any attempt to dirorce the one from the other, and said if it came to pass it must do serious harm to both. He welcomed the preseuce of ladies at that gathering, for the first time in the history of the association.
The Bishop of Lewes, in responding, said the presence of ladies at that meeting was a sign of what they were coming to. In Sussex they had fourteen lady churchwardens, and now they had got some lady bell ringers. The Sussex Association was thus thoroughlv up to date (hear hear). Proceeding, he apologised for the absence of the Bishop of Chichester, who wished him to say how sorry he was he coukl not be with them, because there was no one who more appreciated the work which the ringers were doing than he did. He (the speaker) was glad to have the opportunity of responding to the toast. bacause he nearly always had a warm welcome from the ringers wherever he went. Ringers. were getting higher and higher ideals in recognising that their work was churoh work, and that was a source of great gratification. He would not venture into the question of the relations betwren the Church and State, except to say that the State was in a very peculiar state just now (Taughter and applause). -Councillor Hill also replied to the toast in a bricf speech.

## OFFICERS RE-ELECTED.

The business meeting was then held, and the hon. secretary read a telegram of good wishes and regret for absence from a former secretary, Mr. S. Saker.
The Bishop of Chichester was re-elected President, and the whole of the rice-presidents were also re-elected.-Mr. F. B. Tompkins was re-elected Master, and, in acknowledging the election, referred to the fact that during the last year the association had been able to establish a benevolent fund. A subject, he continued, which was coming to the fore very seriously, and which had been mentioned in "The Ringing World several times, was the question of peal ringing in populous centres. It was undoubtedly a fact that people living near towers in towns did find fault with peal ringing, and he would not say that some of them did not have cause for complaint. If there was any illness near a tower, ringers were always ready to desist, but others were now finding fault. He hoped the members belonging to churches where there was any real cause for complaint would impress upon the responsible authorities that there were means of getting rid of any nuisance. There were three general methods which might be adopted, the partial bricking up of the louvres, glazing, or the erection of shutters. By adopting one of those methods there would be no rlifference in the effect in the tower, but those living near would not be annoyed in the least.
Mr. G. Watson was re-elected general secretary, and Mr. R. C. Ford, hon treasurer. The following district secretaries were also elected: Fastern division, Mr. G. H. Howse: Central, Mr. A. D. Stone: Western, Mr. H. Evans. Messis. White and Harffey were elected auditors, and Mr. A. Gravett, peal secretary. The Bishop of Lewes was elected a life-member, and the following were added to the membership roll: From Blacklands tower, 3; Waldron, 4 (including Miss M. HumbleCrofts, the Rector's daughter); Twineham, 1; Southover, 2; and the whole of the Baroombe band of 11 members.

## SATISFACTORY FINANCES.

The following report for 1912 was presented
The committee again are able to report most favourably upon the financial state of the Association-a profit of nearly $£ 20$ having been made upon the ycar's work. Notwithstanding the fact that the general fund was depleted to the extent of $£ 18$ at the beginning of the year in order to make the reserve fund up to $£ 50$, it is now in a position to
year may start with a balance in this fund of f25. A propesal having this object will be submitted to the annual meeting and, if carried, the committee will be able to make small donations to necessitous ringers. For the first time in the history of the association the number of peals rung during the past year has topped the century, Mr. Keith Hart-as in several previous years-appearing most prominently as a conductor. The challenge bell was won by St. Peter's, Brighton, Heene tower being but a very fow points behind. Mr. Penfold, who for some years lias prepared the peals' analysis, is unfortunately suffering from ill-health, and has felt himself compelled to relinquish this work. For all his past services, the committee desire to thank him, and at the same time to wish him a speedy restoration to health. Mr A. Gravett has kindly consented to fill his place for at least a year. Fleven district meetings have been held during the year, most of them having been well attended. To those clergy who offered members so hearty a welcome-generous hospitality also having in several cases been shown-the thanks of the committee are gratefully accorded. St. Clement's, Hastings, tower ( 8 bells) and Twinehain tower ( 5 bells) have become affiliated to the Association during the past year. In the latter tower, orie bell has been recast, two new ones added, and a new frame and fittings supplied by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. The sams firm rehung the four trebles at East Grinstead. Messrs. Taylor of Loughborough, are adding two now trebles at Mayfield, the work being now nearly completed, and they have secured the contract to recast the lIenfield tenor and make various repairs to the other bells and frame.
The financial statement showed that the year began with a balance in hand of $£ 438 \mathrm{~s}$. 8d., and after meeting the expenses ( $£ 5998.2 d$. ), transferring $£ 18$ to the reserve fund and $£ 77 \mathrm{~s}$. 7 d . to the benevolent fund, there remained in hand on tho general fund $£ 36$ 12s. 7d. The balance to the credit of the reserve fund was $£ 50$, and in tho benevolent fund $£ 85 \mathrm{~s}$. Id
The report and balance sheet, which were considered very satis. factory, were adopted.

## THE BENEVOLENT FUND.

The Fion. Secretary then moved that the benevolent fund be raised to £25 by taking the necessaty balance from the general fund. He said last year they dipped into their general fund to raise the reserve fund to $£ 50$. They had made a profit of nearly $£ 20$ on the year's working, and he thonght they might very well dip into the fund again to the extent of some £17, in order to start a fresh year with a benevolent fund of £25, which would enable them to moet any case of emorgency. He thought they might congratulate themselves upon having done so well in the matter of finance in the last two yoars (hear, hear). Mr. K. Hart seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.
The rules for the administration of the benevolent fund were next considerod, and after slight amendment were adopted in the following form :-

1. No benefactions shall be paid unless there is money in hand in the benevolent fund.

All applications shall be made in writing setting out the reasons for the application and must be supported by the secretary of the local band if the applicant is an ordinary member, and if an independent member by someone of local standing who shall testify that the applicant has been for five years and is then a member of the Associa. tion, and as to whether the application is a deserving one.

Applications shall be forwarded to the general secretary, whe shall at once submit them to a sub-committee and ohtrin their oninion thereon through the post. The sub-committee shall consist of the general secretary, the treasurer, the divisional secretary and the members of the committee of the division in which the applicant resides.

Benefactions will be paid to the applicant direct by the trea surer, who shall act on the written authority of a majority of the sub-committee.
5. No alteration in or addition to the above rules shall be made except in accordance with rule XVI of the Association.

## A RECORD YEAR OF PEALS.

At the request of Mr. Gravett, the peals secretary, it was resolved that in future, for the purpose of analysis, any new resident momber ringing a peal, or any old member transferring to another tower,
shall notify the peal secretary or divisional secretary as to which iower he bclongs, and for which he wishes his peal points to count.
The following resolution was also passed: "That the committeo be requested to consider and report upon the advisability of an alteration to rule III, to enable each division in futuro to elect annually ito own district secretary and its representatives on the oommittce.
It was decided by a large majority to hold the next meeting at Brighton, an amendment in favour of East Grinstead being defeated. On the motion of Mr. G. H. Howse, it was resolved to place on record lle Association's apprecintion of the services rendered by Mr . Keith Hart, and its congratulations to him upon having rung 50i) peals for the Association
The Master announced that the number of peals rung by the Association last vear was 107, which was a record (applauso). They had never toppod the century bofore. What their position would be among ot. $\mathrm{l}_{2}$. Associations he did not know. He proposed a vote of thanks to the Bishop for presiding, and for the sermon he was going to preach later; to the Rector of Sonthover for the use of the bells, and to the
choir for their eervices.-The Hon. Seoretary, in seconding, said they were especially grateful to the Rector of Southover for the trouble he had taken and the interest he had shown in connection with that meeting.- The motion was unanimously carried, and this terminated tho business.

## TIIE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

A service at Southover Church followed, there being a large congre gation, including many parishioners. The singing was led by the choir, and the specially appointed service was conducted by the Rector. The Bishop of Lewes preached from the text. "He that soundeth the irumpet $v: a s$ by me" (Nehemiah iv, 18). He said there were many ways of approaching the subject of ringing church bells. It might be approached, and rightly approached, from the point of view of the science of bell ringing. They might also approach it as an art, for it was one of the most delicate and difficult of arts; one which was capable of great perfection, which entailed an immense amount of practice, and which a man could not get really good at unless he devoted considerable time to it. He wanted, however, to turn their thoughts that afternoon to the ringing of bells, from a church point of view, and his text, he thought, expressed very much what a band of bell ringers ought to be in any parish. Having explained the biblical referenca to he who sounded the trumpet, the Bishop went on to say that in parochial life, the duty of the bell ringers was to be in close touch with the Vicar, and, when the time came for public worship, to give forth in no uncertain note upon the bells, the intimation to the people to concentrate within the church. If they did their duty, and the people who heard the bells did their duty, God would do the rest, and there would be no fear that the parish would not be a faithful witness for Christ. He could not help saying in closing that he thought they might take even a higher line and say that they all desired that the bell ringers of that great county should so bear witness in their lives to the truth which they believed, and to the church to which they belonged, they should sound their trumpet so clearly, that when Christ clajmed them, as he would claim them all, and they came into His presence He would be able to say of every bell ringer, "He that soundeth the trumpet is by Me."
Subsequently a variety of touches were rung on the bells, and some useful practice obtained by those whose opportunities of ringing upon ten bells is very limited

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

## A SATISFACTORY YEAR

The Essex Association, according to the report for 1912, which has just bson issued, has had a most gratifying year It has been, says the report, one of the most prosperous and encouraging in the whole of the Association's existence. Although the income had not been quite sufficient to meet all liabilities, the total worth of £106 is. 6hd., against $£ 106$ 6s. $1 \frac{1}{3} d$. for 1911 showed only a shrinkage of 4 s . 7d. The large attendance at the annual meeting and the efforts during the summer months to reach outlying towers accounted for the extra expenditure. The missionary expeditions were most successful. Whole comprnies joined at Foxearth. Weden Ambo, Orsett, Stanford-le-Hope, Shenfield and Ingatestone. They were met at most of the towers by the incumbent and ringers, and heartily welcomed. The newly formed bands at All Saints', Colchester, Pentloy and Great Waltham were among the latest recruits. With a net increase of 73 for the year, and a grand total of 846, the association was within measurable distance of the coveted position of a membership of 1,000 . Peal ringing showed an improvement-66 against 49 the year previous. Although not a record, it was a very satisfactory list, both in quality and variety. forty-nine peals were rung upon tower bells and seven upon handbells. To attain this result 175 members took part, and 27 shared the conducting

The adding of a treble and the recasting and rehanging in an iron frame the old ring of five at Sible Headingham appeared to be the only belfry improvement during the year. Here again, a band had been formed, and was making excellent progress under the able tuition of Mr. Lewis Wiseman. The selection of Kelvedon for the first movable nnnual meeting proved a great success, and the large attendances at the district meetings was ample proof of the increased interest taken by the members generally in nromoting the welfare of the Association. Tha report. which is signed by the Master (Mr. C. H. Howard), conclucles with reference to the energr displayed $b_{5}$ the hon. secretary, auditors, and district officers in carrying out their respective duties. fud aflds that so long as the Association has among its ranks such members ready to place their services at its disposal, its continued success is assured.

A bye-meeting of the South Western Division was held at St. Mary's, Chigwell, on Satarday, and was attended by about 30 members. Various methods were rung during the afternoon and evening, and tea and husiness meeting was hold at the Schonl House. The following new members were olected: Messrs. A. Strmid, J. Weaser, and J. Horwood, Tittir Heath and Mossrs. R. T. Pellatt, IT. J. Sudell. C. Gray, S. F. R. Conper. G. N. Orford, of St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, nouresident ringing members.- Votes of thanks were accorded the Vicar of Chigweli for the use of the hells, and to the steeplekeepor for haring everything in readiness, and for making arrangements for the tea

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

## RINGING MEETING AT RIPLEY.

A monthly meeting of the Derby District was held at Ripiey on Saturday week, and owing to the inclemency of the weather, there was only a small attendance. Members were present from Alfreton, Darley Dale, Denby, Derby, and the local company.-The Rev. G. D. Smith presided at the meeting, held in the belfry, and welcomed the Association once rore to Ripley.
The next meeting will be held at Duffield in May, on a date to be arranged by the hon. secretary.
Ringing was kept up during the afternoon and evening, the following methods being rung: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich Major, and Superlative Surprise Major.
It is to be regretted that the cycling members were prevented from coming owing. to heavy rain all the afternoon. and it is hoped they will come to the Duffield meeting in large numbers, seeing that this is: one of the very few opportunities of having a meeting in a ten-bell tower.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

The monthly meeting of the Manchester branch was keld at St. Anne's, Denton, on Saturday, when only a poor response was mado to the invitation, three visitors only turning up, after the local company had done their best to make the members comfortable, and getting the use of the choir vestry for the mecting. But what was lacking in numbers was made up for in ringing, for touches brought round included Oxford Treble Bob, Plain Bob, 720 Kent and 360 Woodbine, and the visitors got an introduction to Killamarsh, rung by the local company. Ringing ceased about 9 o'clock, when the party were grimbled at, not for going on so long, but for stopping too soon.

Some excuse for non-attendance was a peal attempt on the one side, and a committee meeting in Cheshire on the other, St. Anne's parish being partly in Cheshire, and the company members of the Chester Guild. On learing, a pressing invitation was extended to the brancir to come again, and in larger numbers.

The monthly meeting of the Bolton branch was heid at St. Bartholomew's, on Saturday, when ten members were present. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Newchurch.

## SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE.

## By CHARLES HENRY HATTERSLEY.

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These two peals, which are as ons in composition, have rerersed course-ends, with 4th and 6th in 5-6 without recourse to bobs "Before. and with 3rd and 5th extent in fifth's with all the 8-3-7's and $8-5-7$ s respectively; also, without 2nd or 3rd being in sixth's place in peal No. 1. Each of these has the 4th and 6th their extent in sixth's on this plan. It should be understood that bobs "Before" cut out two of the hesi leads in a course. viz., the Middles and the Wrongs. Therefore, the less use of such calis the better it is for the musical value of a composition. These two peals are productive of a large number of variations, with 4th, 5th and 6th exclusively in sisth's place, and also with 5th and 6 ih reversed course-ends. The key-note to this class of compositions is mainly due to the skeleton calling as at foot, and was first applica to a real in this method by C. H. H. in 1887, and published March $10 \mathrm{th}, 1888$.

## PRESENTATION AT TROWBRIDGE.

## GIFT TO THE "FATHER OF THE BELFRY."

As we briefly amounced last week, Mr. W. McCaffrey, "the father of the belfyy," at Trowbridge, who has been a ringer at the Parish Chureh for 56 years, has been presented with a handsome clock, in recognition of his services. The interesting event took place at the Rectory on Mr. MeCaffrey's 70th birthday, the presentation being made by the Rector, who said that for the last 56 years at least Mr. McCaffrey lad been an active member of the band of ringers, and even before that he knew he had some part in the ringing-from the time he was 12 years of age. During that time he had seen many changes in and around the church, and if Mr. McCaffrey chose to look round the walls of that room he would see the portraits of eight different Rectors he had served under. He (the speaker) was the last Rector, but he was most glad to have the opportunity and privilege of voicing what he felt all his predecessor's would have expressed, their real gratitude for all the help given them in the belfry. Since Mr. McCaffrey started ringing there had been changes in the bells. They had been restored and improved twice, and they now had a band of ringers equal, if not superior, to any they had had in the past. All the ringers present would agree with him that much of the credit for that was due to Mr. McCaffrey, who was in a sense the father of the belfry. He had trained many of those who had rung with him, and it was the wish of all to mark in some way their sense of sratitude and affection for him. So the ringers and some other friends who had joined with them asked if he would acoept at their hands that clock. It was but a little token of all the debt of gratitude he felt sure they all realised they owed to him.

A massive marble clock. with best French movement, was then handed by the Rector to Mr. McCaffrey with best wishes for his continued good health. A plate on the clock is inscribed as follows:"Presented to Mr. William McCaffrey by his fellow ringers and other friends at the Parish Church, Trowbridge, on his completing 56 years' faithful service in the belfry. April 22nd, 1913."

## HOW MR. McCAFFREY BEGAN TO RING

Mr. McCaffrey, in reply, said he felt that it was very kind of the Rector to voice the kindly words he had for lis humble services. He had always had great pleasure in ringing, and had been fascinated with it from a boy. He had plenty of facility himself for doing a little ringing, because the bells frequently were going. There was the school bell, five minutes previous to school-time, and lads had the adrantage of ringing this. On sunday mornings there were the prayer bells, at eight oclock, althongh there was 10 service, and at a quarter to nine when they went to school on Sunday morning. A prayer bell, too, went in the week, on Thursday night, at five o'clock. So that he was not lacking opporumity to practice. He expected no such thing as that beautiful present, and he supposed no one ever had such a thing in Trowbridge belfry before. He thought Mr. Ilector had had a hand in this. Anyhow, he thanked both him and all the other ringers and subscribers to the present.

Mr. S. T. Hector said how grateful they all felt to Mr. McCaffrey for the trouble he had taken with them. He was sure they had a very good band, and it was Mr. McCaffrey who had got them on. It had been a lot of trouble for him to do so, but he was rewarded now. He would be able to walk the streets, and hear the bells in the tower with satisfaction.

Mr. Raison said he was the only one left of the old band, and he remarked what a fine band they had to-day:-Mr. W. Mackay endorsed what the Rector had said.
Refreshments were then handed round by the kindness of the Rector and Mrs. Nash.

A peal recorded elsewhere was rung in honour of Mr. McCaffrey's 70th birthday.

## A RUNAWAY CHURCH AND BELL. REMARKABIE TNCIDENT OF AMERICAN FLOOD.

At the height of the recent destructive flocd in the Western Stater of America, a wooden church surmounted by a tower was seen, partly submerged, rasing down the Ohio river, pitching and tossing like an ocean vessel in a gale. Sailing by cities and towns, its career was finally arrested on the higher part of Blennerhasset Island, two miles from Parkersburg, West Virginia, where it was found stranded upon the subsidence of the waters. This island was bought by Blennerhasset, the gifted Irish lanyer, in 1798, and became the rendezvous for the gathering of arms and the training of volunteers in the conspi:acy of 1805 .
The structure, thus so unexpectedly landed in their midst, was promptly taken possession of by the enterprising inhabitants, who hanled it by means of rollers and windlass to a central situation where it was secured upon a stable foundation, and will be hereafter utilised for religious worship, as originally intended. In the tower was suspended a bell weighing nearly one-half ton. The building container nothing to indicate the sect, or denomination. of its former worshippers, nor its point of departure. While it would be impracticable to remove the errant church from the island, it js probable that claimants will apsoar later to demand the restoration of the bell.
It's an ill-flood that wafts nobody any good.

## THE LOUGHBOROUGH FOUNDRY.

MESSRS. TAYLOR AND CO.'S ACTIVI'CIES.
Tho Loughborongh foundry continues to work at full pressure, and the following work has just been completed:-
WARSOP, Notts.-The treble, 2nd and tenor recast and tho peal of four rehung with new fittings in a new framework. Tenor, 7 cwt. 1 qr, 18 lbs.
SOUTHAM. Warwick.-The ving of six rohung with new fittings in a new framework. Dedicated last Saturday fortnight. Two new trebles to complete the octave will be fixed this week. Tenor, 15 ewt. 1 qr. 25 lbs.
KILSBY. Northants.-The three largest bells of the peal of four recast (they were cracked by the fire when the tower was bumb out a few months ago), and the poal rehung with new fittings in a new framework. Dedicated last Tuesday. Tenor, 10 cwt 1 gr .3 lbs.
MAYFIEID, Sussex. -Two new trebles added to complete the octave. Weigint of these two bells 6 and $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwts}$.
The following works are now being fixed in the towers, viz.:-
OSWALDTWISTLE, Lancs.-The old peal of six rehung with entirely new fittings in a new iron framework, and two new trebles added to complete the octave. These bells were dedicated on Tuesday last,
ITNCOTAN CATHEDRAL.-A now peal of eight is being hung to replace the old peal. The new bells are, of course, being supplied with new fittings, and are being hung in a new iron framework, which framework is made to take four more bells to complete a peal of twolve. The two tenors of the old peal are being retained (these two bells date from 1606 to 1593), and will be hung with, new fittings and framework, to be used as service bells. New tenor 23 cwt. 3 qre. 13 lbs . The bells will be dedieated to-morrow (Saturday).

The following will be hung shortly:-
SOUTHPORT, HOLY TRTNITY, Lancs.-A single bell, weighing two tons, is nearly readv for fixing.

CFFWTON MENDIP, Som.-The old ring of six is being recast into a now peal of eight, tenor about, 23 cwt. The new peal will be hung with new fittings and framework.
RAINFIAM, Kent.-The peal of six bells are being rehung with new fittings in a new iron framework, the framework being prepared for two now smaller bells to complete the octave.

## TREBLE BOB WITH TWIN HUNT.

## BY FREDERICK DENCH

Something entirely new in Treble Bob construction has been sent us for publication by Mr. F. Dench, of the College Vouths. It is Kent Treble Bob with a twin hunt, and the following is a lead and peal in the method. 12345678 21346587
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Single
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This method is the first produced witls a dodging twin hunt. It will run to 10 and 12 bells, the same as ordivary Treblo Bob.

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

EDGBASTON, BIRMINGFAM.-On recent Sundays, for service, 720 Bob Minor and 720 Oxford Bob: II. Withers (conductor) 1, W. Bryant 2, T. Collinson 3, J. Eaton 4, A. Gardner 5, J. Johuson 6. Also 720 Stedman Minor: W. Bryant 1, T. Russam 2, J. Collinson 3, J. Eaton 4, A. Gardner 5, H. Withers (conductor) 6; and two 720's Stedman Minor, with T. Bratton 2. 720 Double Court: J. Johnson 1, W. Bryant 2, T. Collinson 3, J. Eaton 4, A. Gardner 5, H. Withers (conductor) 6. 720 Grandsire Minor: W. Bryant 1, J. Johnson 2, T. Collinson 3, J. Eaton 4, A. Gardner 5, H. Withers (conductor) 6. Also a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles: J. Johnson 1, W. Bryant 2, H. Withers (conductor) 3, J. Collett 4, J. Eaton 5, S. Freemantle (first quarter-peal) 6.
FOLKESTONE.- $\Lambda_{t}$ the Parish Church, on Easter Sunday, for evening service, 1218 Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: G. Millen 1, J. Henley 2, S. Boar 3, G.Foord 4, A. Kedwell 5, F. Nye 6, W. H. Wood (conductor) 7, W. Knight 8. Composed by Mr. S. Barker, in whose honour it was rung in celebration of his 87 th birthday. This touch contains Titlums, Queens and Whittingtons.
PORTSEA. - At the Parish Church, on Easter Day, 504 Stedman Triples: A. S. Beer 1, J. Harris 2, J. Symonds 3, J. Wheeler 4, F. Thornton 5, C. Creasy 6, E. J. Harding (conductor) 7, J. Smith 8.On March 30th, 504 Stedman: J. Harris 1, J. Symonds 2, C. Groves 3, J. Wheeler 4, W. Witham 5, C. Creasy 6, E. J. Harding (conductor) $7, \mathrm{~S}$. Thomas 8.
STANSTED.-Essex Association.-On Easter Day, for early service, at the Parish Church, 360 Oxford Treble Bob. For morning service, 504 Stedman Triples: G. Gray 1, F. Little 2, G. Joidarı 3, F. M. Butler 4, 'T. Jordan 5, T. J. Watts 6, W. Watts (conductor) 7, W. T. Prior 8.On March 26th, 504 Stedman Triples: G. Gray 1, W. T. Prior 2, G. Jordan 3, F. M. Butler 4, I. J. Tucker 5, T. Jordan 6, W. Watts (conductor) 7, F. Potter 8. Also 503 Grandsire Triples, H. J. Tucker, con-ductor.-On March 29th, for morning service, 504 Stedman Triples: $G$. Gray 1, W. Prior 2, J. Luckey 3, W. T. Prior 4, T. J. Watts 5, G. Jordan 6, W. Watts (conductor) 7, F. Potter 8.
TENBY, SOUTH WALES.-On March 2nd, at the Parish Church, for erening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1260 changes), taken from Carter's Twelve-part, in 53 mins.: T. John 1, T. Griffiths 2, P. P. Peacock 3, W. Jenkins 4, L. Jenkins.5, A. Rees 6, R. H. Jenkins (conductor) 7, A. Richards 8. Rung as a compliment to the conductor, who celebrated his 50 th birthday on the same day.
WOKING.-At St. Peter's Church, on March 31st, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor, in 47 mins., with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Lord Wolseley, on the occasion of his funeral in Si. Paul's Cathedral: W. Edwards 1, W. Lee 2, R. Hampton 3, J. Street 4. J. Brackley (conductor) 5, T. Strudwick 6.

FIULL. - Yorkshire Association_-On Sunday, March 30th. at Holy Trinity Church, 896 Grandsire Triples: J. Hedges 1, F. Dale 2, C. Jackson (conductor) 3, F. Merrison 4, D. Meadler 5, E. Cutsforth 6, T. Whitfield 7. J. Chamberlain 8. For evening service, 539 Grandsire Caters: J. Dale 1, C. Jackson 2, T. Stockdale 3, E. Cutsforth 4, G.
Dowling 5, J. Mighfield 6, T. Morton 7, G. T. Miller 8, W. Brown 9, F. Nerrison 10 .
WTRFTFIAM, SUFFOLK.-On Easter Day, for early service, 720 and 240 Rol, Minor. For morning service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob and 108 Bob Minor. For evening service, 720 and 108 Bob Minor. After evening service, 360 Bob Minor. The following took part: G. Bertram, W. Mellin. F. Naunton, A. J. Naunton, F. W. Naunton, J. Spencer, F. Kecley (Redenball). The conducting was shared by J. Spencer and F. W. Naunton

ITDGFND, GLAMORGAN. - At St. Illtyd's Church. for morning 504 Grardsire Triples: W. Evans 1, T. J. Evans 2, R. Gregory 3, Aerice, 504 Grardsire Triples: W. Exans 1 , T. J. Evans 2, R. Gregory 3, Toby 8. For evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: *A. J. Stanley 1, Ewans (conductor) 7, A. liardwick 8. * First 504 Stedman. Rung on the occasion of the dedication of a new pulpit, the gift of Mr. R. K. Pritchata, of Bryntirion.
LEICESTETR.-At St. Martin'a Chụch, on Sunday, March 16th, 700 Stedinan Caters: G. Pilmore 1, S. Cotton 2, F. G. Jenney $\overline{3}$, A. Pettit Ifirst in the method as conductor) 4, Louis Allen 5, F. H. Dexter (composer) 6, L. Allon 7. C. IF. Fowler 8, A. Martin 9, T. Taylor 10.-On
March 29 th, at St. Margaret's Cinurch, 609 Stedman Caters: G. Cleal 1, J. Morris 2, G. Pilmore 3, A. Pettitt 4, C. H. Fowler 5, S. Cotton 6, F. H. Dexter (conductor) 7, E. Morris 8, A. Martin 9, T. Taylor 10.-On Sunday. March 30th, at St. Martin's, 831 Stedman Caters: G. Cleal 1, S. Cotton 2, L. E. Allen 3, A. Pettitt 4, J. O. Lancashire 5. E. Morris
6, T. L. Allen 7, F. H. Dexter (conductor) 8, A. Martin 9, T. Tay]or 10. Rung on the eccasion of a visit by Mr. Geo. Cleal, of Ireland, late of St. Martin'e, Leicester'.
IST, EWVORTIL.-On March 30th, for morning service, 504 Grandsire Triples, to celchinte the marringe of Miss J. Beadle, youngest daughter of the local captain. A 504 Grandsire Triples was also rung after the ceremony. Also, for oveluing service, 504 in the same method. The ringers takins part wern: E. Webb. G. Ranson, A. Beckensale, T.
Beadle, A. Sheard, F. Goddard, G. Miles, W. New, C. Dell, W. Biggs, Beadle, A. Sheard, F. Goddard, G. Miles, W. New, C. Dell, W. Biggs,

NTWPORT PAGNELL, BUOKS.-On April 2nd, 518 Grandsire Triples: W. Ellis 1, J. W. Unwin (conductor) 2, W. F. Smith 3, F. C. Mapley (first 500) 4, E. Lathall 5, F. C. Tompkins 6, W. Webb 7, H. Warren (first 500) 8.

MJLVERTON, SOMERSET.-At St. Michael's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 46 mins.: W. Chapman 1, W. Andrews, junr., 2 F. Norman 3, E. Chapman 4, H. Narman 5, A.J. Andrews 6, R. Scott (first quarter as conductor) 7, R. Chapman 8. Also 168 Grandsire Triples, with A. Tout (first touch), treble. Also recently, 504 Grandsire Triples, in which E. Biffin took part, ringing the treble, it being his first 504 T'riples on the treble

GOLDHANGER, ESSEX.-On April 1st, a date touch of Minor, in 1 hr., in the following methods: Plain Bob, Double Court, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob: G. Southgate (longest length) 1, J. D. Bucking ham (conductor) 2, H. Lewis 3, F. White 4, J. Owers 5, A. Appleton 6. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the treble and 3rd.On April 2nd, 720 Norwich Surprise: G. Southgate 1, H. Lewis 2, J. D. Buckingham (conductor) 3, F. White 4, G. H. Neville 5, A. Appleton 6. First 720 in the method on the bells, and by the local company.

EEXHILL, SUSSEX.-On April 2nd, a peal of Grandsire Triples was attempted, but, unfortunately, was lost after 40 mins, ringing: G Richardson 1, E. J. Pannett 2, F. S. Sturt 3, G. H. Sturt 4, G. Billeness 5, A. J. Turner 6, R. J. Dawe 7, C. Errey 8. Afterwards, Mr. C. Errey entertained the party at the Bell Hotel to a substantial repast, for which a hearty vote of thanks were returned to him. Mr. Billeness hails from Rye, Mr. R. J. Dawe from Seaford, the rest belong to Lewes.

MIDDLETON, LANCS.-On March 23rd, for early Commumion, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1264 changes), in 46 mins.: J. Hoilows 1, J Arrowsmith, senr., 2, T. Oldham 3, T. K. Dricer 4, E. B. Shaw (conductor) 5, T. Ogden 6, D. Renshaw 7, T. Wellens 8.
LONDON-On April 6th, at St. James', Clerkenwell, for evening serviee, 720 Grandsire Doubles, with 4, 6, 8 covering, in 26 mins., being six 120 's each called differently: G. C. Rogers 1, C. J. W. Alderton 2 IV. A. Gcodman 3, R. J. Hughes 4, G. T. Green 5, R. W. Rixon 6, A E. Millett (conductor) 7, E. Barber 8 . Longest length by all.

CROYDON, SURREY. - On April 6th, for evening service, at St. Peter's Church, 1259 Grandsire Caters, in 48 mins.: *W. Gammon 1, E. Miles 2, *F. Larby 3, W. Ives 4, G. Burt 5, H. Lover 6, F. Bennett (eonductor) 7, F. Hairs 8, *C. Kitching 9, D. Wright 10. * First quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters.

OLDHAM.-Lancashire Association.-On April 8th, for men's service, a date touch of Grandsire Caters, at the Parish Church, in 1 hr. 17 mins.: H. Wright 1, S. M. Butterworth 2, A. Clegg 3, S. Stott (con4uctor) 4, C. Marsland 5, A. Waite 6, J. H. Jastow 7, F. E. Fielding 8, I. Schofield 9, J. Garlich 10. Messrs. A. Clegg and I. Schofield balong to Glodwich; the rest to the local band.

WESTMINSTER.-At St. Margaret's Church, on Sunday, April 6th, fur evening service, 1193 Stedman Caters: F. Davis 1, W. Wise 2, E. Gibbis 3, W. Hewett (conductor) 4, F. Perrin 5, A. J. Trollope 6, A. W. Grimes 7, J. E. Davis 8, T. Groombridge, senr., 9, J. Bailey 10.

WALTHAMSTOW-At St. Saviour's Church, on April 7 th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: J. C. Adams 1, C. Hughes 2, G. W. Cooper 3, H. Rumens 4, IF. J. Cooper 5, G. B. Lucas (conductor) 6. Also 419 Grandsire Triples: S. E. Townsend 1, H. Rumens (conductor) 2, C. Hughes 3. J. C. Adams 4. H. J. Cantor 5, G. W. Cooper 6, G. B. Lucas 7 O. L. Twist 8. These touches were rung as a farewell to Mr. S. E. Townsend, who was leaving Walthamstow for Ramsgate.
THETFORD-Norwich Diocesan Association. - On Sunday, April Eth, 1008 Bob Major: T. Stigg 1, L. Dickerson 2, F. J. Poulson 3, A. Macro 4, T. Fitzjohn 5, F. Salter (conductor) 6, W. Everett 7, C. Carter 8. Rung for evening service, and in honour of the conductar's birthday.

PUTNEY.-On April 5th, at the Parish Church, for a wedding, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1264 changes), in 47 minutes: H. Whanslaw 1, T. Boiton 2, W. Honeyball 3, G. W. Honeyball 4, C. Collis, junr., 5, A. Fubbacd (composer and conductor) 6, B. Morris (first quarter in the mathod) 7, A. Jones 8.

GTASBURY.-For evening service, on Good Friday, with the bells half-muffler, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 53 mins.: B Jones 1, J. N. Vizor 2, L. Lewis 3, J. P. Hyett 4, E. R. Jones 5, W. James 6. For early service, Easter morning, a quarter-peal of Grandsirs Doubles, in 47 mins. : T. Drew 1, B. Jones (first quarter with a bob bell) '2, J. N. Vizor 3, L. Lewis 4, J. P. Hyett 5, E. R. Jones 6. Both quarters conducted by J. P. Hyett, with 10 different ca!lings.
NOLTH WINGFIELD.-East, Derbyshire Asscciation.-On Sunday, March 23rd, for service, 1008 Bob Major: W. Waddington 1, W. Barker (longest touch) 2, J. P. Tarliton 3, W. Butler (conductor) 4, J. T. Butler 5, T. Cloneh 6, R. Hall (Doncaster) 7, W. Wain 8.-On April 4th, 720 Bob Minor: Miss Wain 1, W. Butler' 2. J. P. Tarlton 3. A. Butler 4, J. T. Butler (eonductor) 5, W. Wain 6. Longest length by Miss Wain, who is to be congratulated on her success, as she only commenced the art a few weeks ago.
WENT GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.-On March 31st, 720 Cambridge Surprise: J. Bowell 1, T. Adams 2, H. Turrell 3, G. Lucas (conductor) 4, W.
 Oxford. by the same ringers, conducted by W. Denman, senr. First 720 in the method by all except conductor.

## NOTICES.

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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -Established 1637.-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on May 22nd; St. John's, Hackney, on the 13 th and 27 th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 27 th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 2oth; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 13 th; St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus 7.30, all the others 8 p.m. - William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.-Established ${ }^{\text {I }} 755$.-A service for the dedication of the new second bell will be held at St. Martin's Church on Saturday, May soth, at 4 o'clock.-A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, in, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Shore Church on Saturday, May ioth, Igr3 (instead of Walsden, as selected). Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-J. H. Bastow, Branch Secretary, 13, Norman Street, North Moor, Oldham.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District.-Quarterly meeting at Whitchurch on Saturday, May 1oth. Bells (6) from 4 o'clock. Service 5.30. Tea and business meeting at the Church Hall 6.15.-F. G. Hume, District Secretary, Oakley, Basingstoke.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Liverdool Branch.-A meeting will be held at Widnes and Framworth on Saturday, May ioth. Bells ready at 4. Tea at 5.30. Members intending being present please send word to Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting will be held at Rochester on Whitsun Monday, May 12 th. Service at the Cathedral 4 p.m. Tea at Victoria Hall, Star Hill, 5.30 p.m.-Fred J. O. Helmore, Honorary Secretary, Canterbury.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIA-TION.-The annual meeting will be held at Thrapston on Whit-Monday, May i2th. The bells of Thrapston and Islip will be at liberty for ringing from 10 a.m. to 11.45 , and from 3 to $7 \cdot 30$. Service at the Parish Church, Thrapston, at iz noon. Luncheon, with meeting to follow, at the White Hart Hotel at 1 o'clock. Members is. each. Non-members 2s. each.-F. Wilford, General Secretary, 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

LADIES' GUILD.-The annual general meeting will be held at Birmingham on Whit-Monday, May, I2th. Tea and meeting at Harborne at $4 \cdot 30$. St. Martin's (I2) bells will be available at 12.30 , and Selly Oak and Harborne (8) during the afternoon and evening. Gentlemen cordially invited.-E. K. Parker, Honorary Secetary, 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held on Whit-Monday at West Ham. Service at the Parish Church at Ir.30. Business meeting at Mason Hall at 12.30 . Dinner in the same place at I. 30 . Ringers desirous of using the adjacent towers either before or after dinner, had better apply to Mr. G. Black, Mayfield, Grand Avenue, Woodford Green.-Henry T. W. Eyre, Honorary Secretary, Great Totham, Witham.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A meeting will be held at Walsoken on Whitsun-Monday, May r2th. Bells of Walsoken (6) and Wisbech (10) available all day. Dinner at the Bell, Walsoken, at I .30 p.m. at is. 6d. each. Non-members of the Association are cordially invited.-C. E. Borrett, Secretary, I2, Grove Avenue, Norwich.

EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. -- Alfreton District.-A meeting will be held at Crich on Whit-Monday, May i2th. Bells (6) ready at 2 p.m. Tea at 4 p.m., 6d. each. All ringers and friends invited. - Fred Watkinson, District Secretary, ${ }^{13}$, Park Street, Alfreton.

## CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORISSHIRE ASSO-

 CIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Ripon on Whit-Monday, May i2th, 1913. The bells at the Cathedral are available for ringing II to 12.30 a.m., 2.30 to 5 , and 6 to 9 p.m., and the Parish Church bells, Sharow, from Io. 15 a.m. Committee mecting at the Black Bull Hotel, Ripon, II. 30 a.m. Dinner will be provided at the Black Bull Hotel, Ripon, I2.30, members is., nonmembers 2s. 6d. each. Ringers attending the Central Council meeting to be held at Newcastle-on-Tyne that can make it convenient to call at Ripon will receive a very hearty welcome to this meeting.-T. Metcalfe, 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.The Whit-Monday meeting will be held at North Shields. Christ Church bells available all day except between II.I5 and 12 a.m. Committee meeting will be held at the Bath Hotel, Tynemouth, at i p.m. Dinner i. 30 p.m. All visitors will be heartily welcomed and entertained to dinner if they will kindly send word to the secretary before May 6th that they are likely to be present. - R. Stephenson, Joint Honorary Secretary, 2, Cleveland Terrace, West Hartlepool.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - A branch meeting will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturday, May $17^{\text {th. Bells ready at } 3 \text { o'clock. Meeting at }}$ 6.30 p.m. The bells have been rehung and augmented to a peal of eight.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the James' Society, Established 1824).-Northern District.The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Willesden, on Saturday, May ${ }^{1} 7$ th. Tower open at 4 p.m. Business meeting at 8. I 5 p.m. All members and friends welcome.-J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7D Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSO-CIATION.-Western Branch.-A general ringing meeting will be held at Hallow on Saturday, May 17 th, commencing at 5 p.m.-R. G. Knowles, Branch Secretary.

ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY, SHEF-FIELD.-The next meeting of the above society will be held at Ecclesfield ( 8 bells) on Saturday, May 17th, 1913. Tower open at 4 p.m.-J. Evenson, 9r, Clarence Street, Shefficld.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Divi-sion.-The next meeting will be held at Shoreham on Saturday, May J7th. Tower open from 3.30 p.m. Tea at $5 \cdot 30$. Business to follow. Members intending to be present at tea please let me know by Thursday, May 15 th.H. Evans, Divisional Secretary, Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-A cycle run will take place to Rugeley (6) on Saturday, May I7th. Bells available from 3 p.m.-Rev. E. V. Cox, 39, Westbourne Road, Walsall.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The half-yearly meeting will be held at Bury on Saturday, May 24th. Bells of the Parish Church (8) will be available from 2.30 p.m. Meeting in the schoolroom at 5.30 p.m.-W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Honorary Secretaries.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The next meeting will be held at Queensbury, near Bradford, on May 24 th (the fourth Saturday). For full particulars see circular. Clement Glenn, Honorary Secretary, in, Fisher Road, Sheffield.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSGCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at St. Stephen's, West Ealing, on Saturday, May 24 th, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. WV. H. Thompson). Ringing from $4 \cdot 30$, short service at 6 . Tea will be provided by the Vicar at 6.30 to those who notify (by May 22nd) Mr. WV. Lawrence, Shakespeare Road, Hanwell. - H. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual meeting is to be held at Wimborne Minster, on Wednesday, May 28th. Ringing to commence at ir.o. Service in the Minster at I2.I5. Dinner in Masonic Hall at I.15. Ringers will be the guests of the Wimborne Branch. The towers at Cranborne and St. Giles, Poole, Canford, Lytchett Matravers and Sturminster Marshall will be open for ringing.

ST. THOMIS' CHURCH, SOUTH WIGSTON.Mr. Albert H. Bell, I3, Irlam Street, South Wigston, to whom all correspondence concerning the bells should be addressed, has been appointed tower-kceper at the above church.
CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. John Jagger, late of Bee Hive, Langley Green, has removed to The Wrexham (opposite P'arish Church), Oldbury. Wines and spirits of the finest quality.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY. - Mr. A. Clayton, 9, Lodge Road, Wallington, has been appointed steeplekeeper at St. Mary's Church, and to him all communications should be addressed.

GRAND PRIZE RINGING CONTESI, at St. John's Church, Kirkheaton, near Huddersfield, on Whit-Tuesday, May I 3 th, when prizes to the value of $£ 17$ I 7 s. will be given. For further particulars apply to Frank Hardy, Haigh's Buildings, Lepton, near Huddersfield.

VISITORS TO BLACKPOOL will find every convenience at Mrs. E. Howarth's, I4, May Bell Avenue, Springfield Road, Blackpool, N.S.

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The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, reoently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the beat peals in the Kingdom.

Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,
Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.
MODERN WORK.

## A BENEVOLENT FUND IN BEING.

As will have been seen from the report of the Sussex Association's annual meeting in our last issue, a very admirable foundation has been laid by that organisation for a benevolent fund, and there is now provision to the extent of $£ 25$ to assist members who may be in distress. Sussex has the proud distinction of being the first ringing association actually to adopt a scheme for such a fundalthough Kent was only a week or two behind-and it is interesting to note, therefore, the basis upon which the fund is established, for it should give the lead to other societies who are still without such a scheme.

The fund in Sussex is to be composed of all life honorary subscriptions, interest from the reserve fund and such sums as shall be from time to time ordered to be paid at any general meeting. Thanks to two years of exceptional financial prosperity, the Association was able at its annual meeting the other day to vote some $£ 17$ from the general fund to raise the benevolent fund to $£ 25$-and this after voting nearly $£ 20$ to the reserve fund in the preceding year. That is how Sussex proposes to raise the money for assisting members in distress. How it proposes to administer the fund will be found in the scheme adopted at the annual meeting. Briefly each application will come before a sub-committee of six members - the general secretary and treasurer, and the divisional secretary and divisional representatives on the general committee. Thus it will have to pass the scrutiny of those best in a position to judge the merits of the case, and it will be noticed that, while proper safeguards have been taken, there is a complete absence of red-tape in the scheme.

In these matters the more simple and the more effective the means of administration the better, and in this respect we think Sussex has set an excellent example. The one omission that is noticeable is the provision of help for a widow or for orphans in the event of a ringer's death in necessitous circumstances. While cases of this kind are clearly within the spirit of the scheme, they have for the moment been excluded by the drafting of the rule, bu' there is no doubt this technical oversight will be remedied at the first opportunity. The point would, perhaps, hardly have been worth mentioning were it not for the fact that we desired to put on their guard any other societies who might be thinking of taking the Sussex regulations as a basis for a scheme of their own. With the working models which Sussex and Kent now provide we hope it will not be long before the country is covered with a network of these funds always ready to help a brother in need, for we are convinced that there still is and will be opportunity for valuable work to be done by this means.

# CHARLES CARR, ${ }^{\text {T0 }}$ 

 SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM
## OPINION OF OUR

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Dear Sirs,
I have great pleasure in stating that we are perfectly satisled with the manner in which you have carried out the work entrusted to you of re-arranging and re-hanging the Broomfeld Church Bells.

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## TEN BELL PEALS.

BRISTOL
ST. JAMES' SOCIETY
On Monday, May 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. James,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;
Tenor 28 cwt.

| $\dagger$ Richard Chammings... | ...Tyeble | * Ernest G. Seviodr | . 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Henry Porch ... | ... 2 | Francis T. Jewell |  |
| * Henry J. Way | 3 | Alfred Pearce | ... 8 |
| *Charles J. Walton | $\cdots 4$ | *William H. Short | - 9 |
| *Arthur W. Seviour | $\cdots 5$ | *Herbert A. Adams | ...Tenor |
| Compo Con | sed by H ducted b | Johnson, and H. Porch. |  | ever rung on these bells by an entire parochial band, and was rung to celebate the 25 th anniversary of the first peal.

STEPNEY, LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, May 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Mintes, At the Church of St. Dunstan,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 GHANGES;
Tenor 3I cwt.
Ernest Pye... ... ... ...Tyeble ${ }^{\text {Reuben Sanders ... ... } 6}$ Alfred W. Grimes ... ... 2 James E. Davis Isaac G. Shade ... ... ... 3 Albert W. Coles Bertram Prewett ... ... 4 John R. Sharman ... ... 9 Charles T. Coles ... ... 5 William Pye ... ... ...Teroy

Composed by Henry Dains, and Conducted by William Pye.

WALTHAMSTOW.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. (Walthamstow Branch.)
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Mimutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDNAH GATERS, 5067 CHANGES;
Tenor $19 \frac{3}{x} \mathrm{cwt}$
Robert Maynard, Junr. ...Tyeble James C. Adams
William D. Smith ... ... 2 John H. B. Hesse..
John H. Wilkins ... ... 3 Albert A. Hughes..
Frederick Rumens ... ... 4 Fred C. Maynard
Henry J. Maynard ... ... 5 Robert Maynard, Sent. Tenor
Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by Robert Maynard, Junr.
Rung as a birthday compliment to James C. Adams and Henry J. Maynard.

CENTRAL COUNCIL. PEAL.
NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Forty-three Minutes,
At the Cathedral Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES;
Tenor $37 \frac{3}{x}$ cwt.
Percy J. Johnson ... ...Treble | Edward C. Gobey... ... 6
 Edifin H. Lewis ... ... 3 Rev. H. Law James ... 8 Rev. A. T. Beeston... ... 4 . Harry Chapman ... ... 9 Rev. H. S. Richardson ... 5 • Thos. Groombridge, Senr.Tenor Composed by Cornelius Charge, and Conducted by Bertram Prewett.
These ten ringers represent ten different towers, and nine different associations, the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson being an hon. member of the Council.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BOCKING, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
Or Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
A Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor i8 8 l cwt.
 Jhmes Fleuty ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Arthor Saunders ... $\quad . . . \quad 7$ George Melbourne .... 4 Leonard 4 . Crow... Conducted by A. Shufflebotham,
This was the conductor's Iooth peal.
GLODWICK, OLDHAM.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE OLDHAM AMALGAMATION.
(Rockdale Branch.)
On Monday, May 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mark,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES; Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.


First peal by the newly formed Oldham Amalgamation.
NSRIVICH.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John de Sepulchre,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES ; Tenor ro cwt.

| John Aldis, Sent. ... | ...Tyeble | Alfred Fonnell ... | .. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Fràik H. Phillips | ... | 2 | Frank R. Copeman | .. | 6 |

Arthur C. Tyrrell ... 3 George Mayers ... ... 7 William W. Goodbotri 4 William Steele ... ...T Tenor Composed by the late Rev, H. Earle Bulwer, and Conducted by Wm. Steele.
First peal of Treble Bob.

## FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuestay, May 6, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF ST. CLEMENT'S TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES ;

Holt's Tex-Part.
Dayid G. Wightman ...Treble
Leslie C. Wightman
George A. Wightmañ
Willian Wightman...
William Savier ... ...T Tenor The Clement's Triples by the Association and by all the band, and was rung at the first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 5th's daughter, Edna Burgess, aged Il years.

ECCLESTON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Triluesday, May 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Tainfy seden Minutes, At the Chlrch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lbs., in $D$.

Composed and Conducted by E. H. Leivis. * First peal of Major. + First peal in the method.

## EDENBRIDGE, KENT.

 THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.On Wednesday, May 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;
Tenor I4t $\mathrm{c} w$.

| James Heasman... ... ...Treble | George Malyan | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George H. Stonestreet 2 | Thomas Wallis | 6 |
| John W. Steddy ... ... 3 | William Steed | ... 7 |
| Albert Beeton ... ... ... 4 | Herbert Markwell | Tenor |

## SALLE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, May 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes, At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt., in $E$ flat.
William L. Duffield ...Tyeble Ernest F. Poppy ... ... 5 Rev. William C. Pearson 24 John E. Burion... Charles Baker ... ... ... 3 |Villiam Steele ... ... 7 Frederick Knights ... ... 4 Frederick R. Borrett Tenor Composed by Heviry Dains, and
Conducted by Frederick R. Borrett.
First peal in the method on the bells. This was W. Steele's rooth peal for the Norwich Association.

## BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, May 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Mimutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Peter Ince's Variation of Taylor's Six-Part.
Peter Ince.
George Pin............ veble
RGE PiNCOTT ... 2

| Peter Nuttall ... | .. | .. | 3 | William Pennington | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John Nottall | .. | $\ldots$ | .. | 4 | Joseph Gregory | ... |
| ... | eneno |  |  |  |  |  |

Conducted by Peter Ince.
Rung as a birthday compliment to R. Allred and W. Pennington.

## PULHAM.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, May 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES!;

Tenor $I_{4}$ cwt.


* First peal in the method. First peal in the method in the county by a resident band since the peal at Norwich in I 835 -the firstrung in the method.


## BLETVBURY, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, May 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAHEES; Carter's Twelve-Part. Tenor 20 cwt .

Thomas East ... ... ...Treble
William E. Napper
G. Frederick James … 5

Richard G. Rice ... 2 R Richard G. James ... ... 6 Richard G. Rice ...
William J.
Wapper... ... 4 James S. Napper... William J. Napper... ... 4 Alfred Woodley ... ... Tenor Conducted by Richard G. Rice.

* First peal on a bob bell.


## CHIPPENHAM, WILTS.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. On Friday, May 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8; Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part.

| Herbert Hulbert | .Tyeble | Frederick Lambert |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Samdel Wiltshire | 2 | Frederick Pearce... | ... 6 |
| Leonard Ambrose | 3 | Leonard Taylor | 7 |
| William Hulbert | 4 | Henry Powell | Tenor |

* First peal by the ringer of the treble and 5 th.


## WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Worsley Branch.)
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Tro Minutes, At the Church of St. Mark,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Variation of Brooks' Four-Part.
Titus Barlow ... ... ...Treble
Fred Derbyshire ... 2
 Joseph Hy. Ridyard, Junt. 4 William Grunwell ...Tenor Conducted by Joseph Ridyard.
This is the conductor's i50th peal. Rung on the $44^{\text {th }}$ birthday of the conductor and on the 73 rd birthday of the eldest sister of the ringer of the 3rd, who celebrated her golden wedding at Walliden, the parish adjoining Worsley, three weeks ago.

## BEESTON, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (Beeston Society.)
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Heywood's Variation.
Tenor $19 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
 Arthur Lowe ... ... ... 3 Percival Price .... ... 7 Wm. Clifford, Senr. ... 4 Frederick S. Price ...Tenor Conducted by Albert Coppock.
Quickest peal on the bells. Rung for the festival of Whitsuntide.
KEIGHLEY, YORKS. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, May 10,1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor I4 cwt.
John B. Jackson ... ...Treble Sam Bateman .. Samuel B. Norfolk ... 2 Firth Hopwood
Ernest Morris... ... ... 3 .Villiam B. Smith....
*Thomas Bancroft ... .... 4 *Robert W. Jenition .... Tenor Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and Conducted by William B. Smith.

* First peal in the method. Mr. Ernest Morris is a Leicester ringer and was elected a member of the above Association before starting for the peal.

ASHTEAD, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Tquo Minutes, At the Church of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor If cwit.


HANDSWORTH, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 10, 1913; in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGE ; Vickers. Tenor i2 cwt., in F sharp.
Edwin Wood
William H. Jones $\quad . .$. John Corrigan ... ... ... 3 William G. Ellis...... William G. Anker ... ... 4 Thomas Verry... ... ...Tenor Conducted by William G. Ellis.

* First peal with a bob bell and first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to John Corrigan.


## COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY GUILD.
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At Christ Chorch,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thorstans' One-Part.
William A. Cooper ... ...Tyeble
Herbert Knight ... ... 2
Reuben Hall ... ... ... 3 Thomas Hughes ... ... 6
 Conducted by Herbert Knight.
Rung on the eve of the Whitsun Festival, also as a birthday compliment to Miss Gough, daughter of the 7 th ringer.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.

## THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN

 ASSOCIATION.On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Paul,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 GHANEES; Tenor I7 cwt. o qr. 23 lbs .
Ernest E. Ferry ... ...Treble Bertram Prewett Joseph A. Gofton ... ... 2 Joseph E. R. Kee. R. Alder Gofion ... ... 3 Keith Hart Thomas T. Gofton ... ... 4 Villiam H. Barber Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Bertram Prewett.
First peal in the method on the bells.

## DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION (Darley Dale Society.)
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF ST, CLEMENTS TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Adapted from Holt's Tex-Part.
Tenor 77 cwt.
John Siddall. Junt. ... ...Tyeble Janes L. Wright Alfred C. Wright ... ... 2 Edwin Blackwall Henry Gregory ... ... 3 Hugh Gregory William Taylor ... ... 4 Johi W. Derbishire...Tenor Conducted by Alfred $C$. Wright.
First peal in the method on the bells, by all the band, and by the Association. Rung to commemorate the laying of the foundation stone of the new church at Hackney, on the 3rd instant.

KEYNSHAM, SOMERSET.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE ;
Washbrook's Four-Part. Tenor 28 cwt.
Alfred E. Reeves ... ...Treble William White ... ... 5
William Stowell...
 Conclucted by Fred G. May.

## PONTEFRACT.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in. Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

| Thurstans' | or-Part. | Tenor $12 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bernard Moody | ...Treble | Albert C. Fearnley | 5 |
| Clement Glenn | ... ... 2 | Rupert Richardson | 6 |
| John H. Brothwel | L $\quad .$. | Thomas M. Barker | 7 |
| Arthor Hague | 4 | Arthur Gill | .Tenor |
| Conducted by Clement Glenn. |  |  |  |

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Churgh of St. Paul,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Heywood's Ten-Part, No. 6. George H. Howse ... ...Tveble John S. Richardson ... 2 James Cotterell ... ... 3 Frederick W. Dixon ... 4

Conducted by William H. Barber.
First peal of Triples on the bells.

## OATLANDS, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor $12 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Ferris Shepherd, Senr. ...Treble Charles J. Hamblin Arthur F. Shepherd ... 2 Alfred Woodrow ... ... 3 WM. A. WOODROW ... ... 4

Tenor 17 cwt. o qurs. 23 lbs. George Naylor ... ... 5 John S. Goldsmith... ... 6 William H. Barber ... 7 ...Tenor Composed by H. W. Wilde, and
Conducted by Wm. Shepherd.
First peal on the bells. This composition contains 36 long and 12 short courses.

CARSHALTON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CNANCES;
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
*TValter S. Wise ...
*Ackland J. Perkins
...Tyeble
.... 2 Charles W.R. Grimwood 6
 Composed by the late Henry Johnson, and Conducted by Ackland J. Perkins.

* First peal of Oxford Treble Bob. The conductor, who is 6I years of age, had not rung a tower peal for upwards of seven years, and was heartily congratulated by the rest of the band. It is worthy of note that this is the first occasion on which this peal has been called from a non-observation bell.

GATESHEAD, DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, May 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
'Thurstans' Fodr-Part. Tenor 15 cwt.
Rev. A. T. Beeston ...Tveble | Bertram Prewett.... ... 5 John S. Goldsmith ... ... 2 Benjamin C. Dixon ... 6 Keith Hart...$\quad$..... .3 Thos. Groombridge, Sent. 7 Edward C. Gobey.... Conducted by Bertram Prewett.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, On Tuesday, May 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANCES i Tenor 12 cwt.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

NEWINGTON-NEXT-SITTINGBOURNE, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being two 720's each of Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, and 720 of College Single.
*Charles Millard ... ...Treble Thomas Jull

William T. Hyland $\cdots \quad 3$ William H. B. Wilkins Tenor Conducted by William H. B. Wilkins.

* First peal by the ringers of treble and second, two of the local ringers for whom the peal was especially arranged.

CALVERTON, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (North Bucks Branch.)
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHAMCE8;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Violet, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor in cwt.

| Leonard A. Smith | ... | .. Treble | Walter W. Bonham | ... | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Cecil A. Valentine ... | .. | 2 | Thomas C. Tompkins | .. | 5 | | Cecil A. Valentine... | .. | 2 | Thomas C. Tompkins | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Herbert C. Edwards | .. | 3 | Albert J. Green ... | ... Tenor | Conducted by A. J. Grees.

OWSLEBURY, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, May 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL DF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Being 42 Six-Scores with six different callings. Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. i lb., in A.
-George Wright ... ...Treble Walter Young
Leonard S. Lampard
*Frank Glasspool ... ... 3 "Jesse Penton ... ... ... Tenor
Conducted by Frederick J. Oxenbury.

* First peal. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar for his lindness in entertaining them to supper at the Vicarage after the peal.


## BENEFIELD, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
At the Church of St. Mary,
On Thursday, May 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being two 720's each of Double Bob and Oxford Bob, and three 720 's of Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt .
*Rev. B. H. Durrant Field Treble Thomas R. Vadghan ... + William Waldron ......$\quad 2 \quad$ *Hugh Beechey ... ... 5 John J. Jutson ... ... ... 3 | George Jutson ... ...Tenor Conducted by George Juison.

* First peal. This is the first peal on the bells.


## ODIHAM, HANTS

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Single Bob and Plain


First peal upon the bells rang in honour of Whitsun eve.

## WHORLTON-IN-CLEVELAND.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGE8;

Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, four of Kent Treble Bob, and one of Bob Minor.
J. Graves, Junt. ... ...Treble Tenor 9 cwt.
... ... ...
Rev. R. L. B. Oliver ... 4
V. Rudd

Conducted
E. Milburn ... ... ...Tenor
H. Blakiston.

## COLNE ENGAINE, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAHGE8;

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

Bob.
Andrew Shufflebotham...Tyeble
Ernest Newman
Tenor io cwt.

Frank Claydon..
James Fleuti ... ... ... 4
James French ... ... ... 5
Arthur Saunders ... ...Tenor
A. Shofflebotham,

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## LEICESTER

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
(St. Johy's Society.)
On Wednesday, April 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,
At 4, Keythorpe Street,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES ;
Tenor size 14 , in $D$.
Edgar Vallance ... ... I-2 William Willson
E. Maurice Athins

3-4 E
Edward Nora
5-6
Conducted by E. M. Atkins
Umpires: T. H. Hardy and S. Shelton.
First peal in the method rung on handbells in the county of Leicester

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Weinesday, May 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes, At 20, Gerard Road,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR; 5088 CHANGES;

Miss Winifred M. Hague $\mathrm{I}-2$ *Arthur Hague $^{\text {A }}$
Composed by George Lewis, and
Conducted by Clement Glenn.
Umpire, W. Froggatt

* First handbell peal in the method away from 1 - 2 and $7-8$. First attempt for a peal in the method by Miss Hague, for whom it was rung as a birthday compliment. After the peal the ringers were entertained to supper by Mrs. Hague, to whom best thanks were accorded for her kind hospitality


## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wednesday, May 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Fojty-five Minutes, In the Belfry of Holy Trinity Church,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANCES ;
Willoughby E. Maulden i-2 Madrice Smither ... ... 5-6 Alfred H. Polling ... 3-4 Septimos Radford... ... 7-8 Frank Blondell ... ... 9-io Composed by G. Lindoff, and Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling. Witness: A. J. Whiting.
First peal of Stedman Caters rung on handbelis in the above Guild,
GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,
At the Residence of A. H. Pulling,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES;
Size 18 , in $G$.
Madrice Smither ... ... I-2 Alfred H. Pulling ... 5-6 Hobart E. Smith ... ... 3-4 | Willoughby E. Maulden $7-8$ Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.

Witness: Mrs. Pulling.
H. E. Smith hails from Framlingham, Suffolk.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUUILD.
On Sunday, May 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,
At the Residence of A. H. Pulling.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Holt's Original. Size 18 , in G.
Willoughby E. Madlden i-2 Alfred H. Pulling ... 5-6 * Hobart E. Smith... ... 3-4 Henry L. Garfath ... 7 7-8 Conducted by Alfred H. Polling. Witness: Mrs. Pulling.

* First peal of Triples on handbells.

The peal rung at Pentlow on April 26th should have read: First peal by J. Harrington, and first attempt; he was elected a member previous to starting the peal, not W. Wiffen as stated.

The peal at Whitchurch published last week should have been credited to the Oxford Diocesan Guild, not London.

## SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.

## A SUCOESSFUL YEAR.

The annual meeting of the Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamatod Society was held on Saturday week at Ranmoor, Sheffield, and proved rery successful. Unfortunately the weather turned out very bad after a beautiful morning, but nevertheless about 80 ringers turned up from Anston, Bolsover, Bolsterstone, Chesterfield, Doncaster, Dore, Dronfield, Ecclesfield, Eckington, Gainsboro', Killam marsh, North Wingfield, Norton, Nottingham, Ranmoor, Rotherham, Sheffield Parish Ohurch and St. Maries (R.C.), Staveley, Treetou, and Worksop.
Ranmoor is, perhaps, the most beartiful of the many pleasaut suburbs for which Sheffield is justly noted, and its crowning glory is undcubtedly the magnificent Church of St. John the Evangelist, prolably one of the most baautiful modern ecclesiastical buildings in the country. Surrounded by many palatial residential houses, and lying over 300 feet above, and about three miles away from the centre of the city, the church has escaped the usual covering of grime with which the majority of the Sheffield Churches are coated, and its many fine architestural points were greatly admired by those present. The original building was erected in the seventios by Mr. John Newton Mappin, of the famous firm of Mappin and Webb. It was, however, with the exception of the tower and spire entirely destroyed by fire one Sunday a few years later, and within a year the present splendid building was erected in its placo, and one can quite credit the report (which the writer has not verified) that upwards of $£ 35,000$ was spent on its erection. One of its most interesting features is a very fine carved oak chancel sereen and Communion table recently placed there to the memory of the late Sir Frederick and Lady Mappin.
The tower contains a musical ring of eight bells (tenor 15 cwt .), by Barwell, of Birmingham. These were raised about 3.45 p.m., on the occasion of the meeting, and were kept going at intervals till 9 p.m., some good striking being heard. The methods rung included Cambridge, New Cambridge and Superlative Surprise, Double Norwich. Kent Treble Bob, and Plain Bob Major, Stodman Triples and Oxford

Treble Bob Minor. A pleasing innovation was the presence of a lady change ringer (Miss Evelyn Steel, of Bedford), who perform
much credit in several touches including Cambridge Surprise.
In view of recent diccussions on the subject, it might be of interest to state that all the louvres in the bell chamber are bricked up, and that three felt-lined shutters are provided, which, when closed, give the bells a subdued and pleasing tone close at hand, and cause no annoyance whatever to those near by.
A substantial tea was provided in the Schools about 5 p.m., by Mr . Morrison (churchwarden) and the lowal company, and ample justice was done to it by those present. The tables were very tastefully dewarated with flowers, and the kindness of the lady helpers was much appreciated.
The business meeting was subsequently held, and was yresided over by the Res. T. Torrens, supported by Mr. Morrison (churchwarden), Mr. G. Halksworth (Doncaster), president, the vice-presidents, treasurer, secretary and auditors. The balance sheet, showing a balance of $£ 1210 \mathrm{~s}$. 8f. in hand on the capital account, was presented and adopted.

## THE ADVANTAGES OF MONTHLY MEETINGGS.

The non, socretary's report followed, and showed a pleasing year of progress. It stated that there were 19 affliated towers, and a memberprogre of 226 , made up of honorary members, 3 ; life members, 16 ; at-
she tached to rarious affiliated towers, 164 ; unattached, 43 . Compared honorary, 21 attached, and 17 unattached members. Two new sixbell towers in Dronfield and Beighton had joined the society, and one in Trectoi had dropped out.
The monthly meetings had on the whole been well attended, and the standard of ringing had been high. The attendances had averaged about 25, which, while an improvement on some previous years, was with a membership of well orer 200 capable of improvement. Three
mectings had unfortunately had to be postponed or cancelled. The desirability of attending as many of these meetings as possible was impressed upon the mambers. In addition to the fact that they provided a pleasant source of social intercourse amongst ringers, these meetings are eapable of doing very great good in raising the standard of ringing in the district, both as regards striking and methods rung. There was always encoulagement for the learner; and, for those more advanced in the Art, there was the opportunity of taking part in meilods which, perhaps, a member might not have a chance of practismelhods which, perhaps, a member migh be pleased that the Eckington bells were now being restored, and were nearing completion, and some good meetings there were looked forward to.
The society's silver cup and framed certificate for the best Sunday ringing atteudances for the year ending March 31st, 1913, had been ringing atteudances for the york the Worksp company with 98.55 per cent., followed by Dore with 96.41 jer cent., Ranmoor with 96.01 per cent., and Doncaster with
04.83 per cent. The Worksop company were deserving of much congratulation on their good record, especially as this was their first year. as members of the society. The secretary was glad to be able to say that this competition was now being taken up much more seriously by affiliated companies, as it deserves to be, and the entries for the
coming twelve months were a great improvement on some previous years. though there was still room for improvement. The secretary was also glad to be able to say that the scciety was still in a sound finanrial position, though the income for the present year had again only just covered the expenditure. He was glad to note an improvement in the payment of subscriptions, the majority of members having been prompt with them, which was all for the good of the society.
The peals rung during 1912 numbered 26 , and the standard was rery high indeed, indeed it was doubtful if it could be surpassed in any part of the comntry. It would be noted that there were 11 Surprise Major peals, including two of London and one peal of Sumprise Minor. Grandsire Triples and Plain Bob did not appear, another sign of the high stanctard maintained. Mr. B. A. Knights headed the list of conducturs with seven peals to his credit, Mr. J. Flint being a good second rith six, Mr. Sam Thomas third with five, followed br Messsis. A. Lewim and IW. Wallace with one each.
and Mr. W. Gosling, of Mansfiela, upon ringing a peal in his 86 th year:
The Mon. Secretary added that ine thought the proposed division of the lorkshire Association into districts ought to receive the vers care-
ful consideration of members of the Sheffield Society, who belonged to that association, as these propoeals might very seriously affect their sociely. He expressed his thanks again to the majority of the committeemen and secretaries, who have promptly and courteously replied to all enquiries on his part. To a small minority he would say, as last year, that a few words on a postcard should not be a great deal of trouble, aud would much iacilitate his work.

## THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF RINGERS.

The ITon. Secretary welcomed the Rer. T. Torrens and Mr. Morrison (one of the churchwardens) to the meeting, because it showed that they took some interest in tine ringers. A little kindly interest and en-
couragement went a long way at times, and ringers were not any less appreciative than, say, the choir. The layman scaurcely realised the amount of hard work and perseverance which went to make a good "inger, and gave the ringer rery little credit for his efforts as a rule.

In conclusion, he added that the society was on the up grade. They were doing a good work in promoting change ringing, with its attendant advantages of orderliness and decent behaviour in belfries, and in so doing, they merited the support and interest of all church authorities who possessed peals of bells, and of all ringers. It was one of the aims of the society to avoid all friction and ill-feeling in connection with the art of change ringing, aud he appealed to ali members to do all in their power to carry out this object, and to continue to set a good example in their dealings with Church authorities and others. In that case, he believed there was a big future in front of the society, and that they would continue to make good progress in every sense of the word

The whole of the officers were unanimsusly re-elected for the ensuing year, viz.: Mr. G. Halksworth (Doncaster), president; Messrs. J. P. Tarlton (North Wingfield) and A. Knight (Chesterficld), vice-presidents; M1. David Brearley (Bolsterstone), hon. treasurer; Mr. J. E. L. Cockey (Ranmoor), hon. secretary; Mr. G. Hollis (Chesterfield), assistant hon. secretary; and Messrs. G. W. Bemrose (Bolsover) and W. Peabody (Chesterfield), auditons. The committee were elected as last year, with the exception of Mr. G. Elliott, of Dore, whose place was taken by Mr. G. M. Thorpe. -The cup competition sub-committee were reelected, viz., the president, two vice-presidents, hon. secretary and two trustees (Messrs. C. H. Hattersley and S. Thomas).

## RINGERS AS MUSIC-MASTERS

The presentation of the society's silver cup and framed certificato to the ringers of the Priory Church of St. Cuthbert, Worksop, for the best attendance for Sunalay service ringing next took place.-The Rev. T. Torrens, in making the presentation, gave an eloquent address to those present. He extended a most hearty welcome to the society to Ranmoor, referring to the sympathy of the Vicar (the Rer. J. Williams) with the ringers, and the sympathy which he knew they all felt for him in his sad illness. Personally, he always greatly appreciated the welcome of the bells as he came to Sunday service. He referred to the..splendid ringing of the Ranmoor bells, and to the credit which it reflected on those responsible for it. In filling the Sunday air with sweetness, change ringers were doing great good to the community at large, in reminding all within reach of the service of God. The music of the bells entered many a sick room, uplifting the despondent heart and cheering the weary ones. Change ringing, ho thought, was a noble and blessed work, and a public duty. Sweet bells and good ringers generally went together. He beliered that change ringing cultivated a taste for music in those who heard it, and that where there are beautiful paals of bells, there one would find the love of music more pronounced. In fact, change ringers might in a sense be called the music-masters of England. He once spent five weeks in the Lakg district of Italy, and he compared the choir and the ringers to the song of the nightingale and of the blackbird which he once heard there. pouring forth beautiful music to the glory of God. He expressed his pleasure at seeing a lady present, extending a welcome to her, and referred to the refining and ennobling influence which it should have on all present. It gave him great pleasure to present the cup and certificate to the Worksop company, and to congratulate them on their fine record.
Mr. H. Haigh, in receiving the cup and certificate on behalf of the Workson company, expressed his great pleasure in having won it. When they decided to join the Sheffeld District Society, he said, they did so because they considered it the most up-to-date and progressive society in the district. He was proud of the fact that of their company of twelve, all we:e communicants and regular service goers, and he referred to the fact that they rang three times every Sunday. He belicved that ringers were doing a great work in ringing to the honour and glory of God, and in cases of national rejoicing or sorrow. They realised the importance of Sunday ringing, in ministering to the out-
side word. and to the old and infirm who could not attend the services, and the importance of always giving their best ringing for these occasions. He concluded by emphasising the necessity of regarding ringers as real Church workers.

## LADY RTNGERS ELECTED.

Six new members were elected, including three ladies, viz., Miss Evelyn Steel (Bedford), Miss Jessie Wair (North Wingfield), and Miss W. Hague (Rotherham), and Mesers. A. West (Eckington), W. Barton (North Wingfield), and G. Holmes (Sheffield).

A hearty vote of sympatliy was passed with the Vical of Ranmoor and his family in connection with his illness
In replying to a vote of thanks to the churchwardens, Mr. Morrison congratulated the society on the conduct of its business and upon its performances, and expressed his sympatby with its aims. He believed that at Ranmoor ther possessed a church second to none in the county, and he thought he was not for wrong in saying that their bells and their ringers were also second to none (applause). He was glad to note that ther had arranged a meeting at Ranmoor for next February, and he would be delighted to meet them again and give them all a weloome as he did now.-A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the local company and to the ladies, and was suitably responded to by Messis. Frank and Mawice Wark.-A very cordial vote of thanks to the lRev. T' Torrens was proposed by the Secretary, and seconded by Mr. S. Thomas. in a humorous speed.-The Rev. T. Torrens suitably replied, and the reeting closed with the Doxology.
Handbell ringing was indulged in by some of those present after the meeting.

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Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association.
Cambridge Surorise Maximus by the College Youths.
Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on May 11th 1912.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association, June 1st.
Stedman Cinques by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17th.
Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the Kent Association, December 7th, 1912.

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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

## THE PRESIDENT OF THE MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION

When the removal of the Rev. H. G. Bird from the county of Middlesex caused his retirement from the presidency of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild, there seemed but one man to whom the members could turn to fill the office, and that man was Mr. Arthur T. King, I.S.O., the founder of the Association as it at present exists, and, for thirteen years its honorary secretary. Needless to say, Mr. King's acceptance gave unbounded satisfaction to the members, for they recognise that it is to his efforts the present proud position of the Middlesex Association is largely due. His fondness for bells goes loack to his boyhood's days, but it is in con-


Mr. A. T. King, i.s.o.
nection with his labours to build up the Association with which he has been so closely identified that he is best known.

He came into touch with the old Middlesex Association in November, 1889, the organisation having on the prerious August Bank Holiday been formed out of the remains of the North Middlesex Association. In $\mathrm{IS}_{95} \mathrm{Mr}$. King was elected honorary secretary, the members pressing him into service and simply declining to take a refusal. The first thing he did on assuming office was to open negotiations with the South Middlesex Association, with a view to the uniting of forces, and had the satisfaction of seeing the fusion take place in 1897, after which, instead of a couple of weak associations operating in different parts of the county, there was a tolerably strong organisation, all the better for the unity which had been secured, under the title of "The Middlesex County Association of Change Ringers." Mr. King was appointed
joint secretary, with Mr. C. Edwards, of Hounslow, the President being the Rev. H. G. Bird, who has just resigned, and whom, as mentioned above, Mr. King succeeds. From this time the Association grew by leaps and bounds, and its membership has increased from 338 in 1897 to close upon 700 . In 1901, on the resignation of Mr. Edwards, Mr. King took over the entire secretarial duties, besides those of honorary secretary of the N. and E. district. On October ioth, 1903, the seventh annual meeting was held at All Saints', Fulham, and the members were addressed by the Bishop of London, who has been patron since the amalgamation in 1897 . The Bishop afterwards entertained the members, and it was upon this occasion that, with the express permission of the Bishop, the term "London Diocesan Guild " was added to the title. For this important step Mr. King was again rery largely responsible.
Indeed, throughout the many years he occupied the post of secretary he was ever doing his best to forward the interest of the Association, and only those who were closely associated with him have any knowledge of the time and labour he expended on the task. On removing from London in ig10 Mr. King resigned his office, and at the annual meeting, held at All Saints', Fulham, on September 24 th, 1910, he was made a vice-president of the Association, and presented with a magnificent timepiece, striking the Westminster chimes, in grateful recognition of all he had done for the society. And now he has returned to active connection with the work of the Association, for he intends to be no mere figure head, but an officer who will watch carefully over the doings of the Guild.

Mr. King, whose father was the Rev. Charles King, Vicar of Stratford-sub-Castle, and Canon of Salisbury, was born in the Cathedral Close, at Salisbury, on September 30th, 1845 . He was educated at Winchester, where, incidentally, several other well known members of the Exercise received their education, the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, Mr. R. A. Daniell, Dr. A. B. Carpenter, the Rev. E. IV. Carpenter and Mr. F. A. Milne, the honorary treasurer of the Association, being Wykehamists. In 1864 Mr. King joined the Civil Service, entering the National Debt Office, and, after 46 years' service, he retired in igro, having in 1903 been made a Companion of the Imperial Service Order. The bestowal of this honour by the late King Edward, in recognition of Mr. King's meritorious public service, was commemorated by the Middlesex Association by a peal of Stedman Caters at St. Giles', Camberwell, on November iqth, 1903.

In his youth Mr. King was a great athlete, and among other things, won the raulting in the Civil Service Sports of 1867 , with a height of 7 ft ., which has never been beaten. At Richnond about the same time he won the prize for throwing the hammer, beating a man who was afterwards amateur champion. He won the chief swimming event at Winchester in 1862, and only last year he was able to save a little girl from drowning in the River Nadder, at Bemerton, near Salisbury.

Mr. King was always fond of handling a bell, and had some experience when, as a boy, in the early sixties, he used to spend some of his holidays with his uncle, the Rev. Canon King, who was for many years Vicar of Worstead, Norfolk. While at Winchester Mr. King used sometimes to ring the curfew, and for many years after this he always inquired whether the curfew was rung in any town he visited, and if it was he was sure to be there to ring it. Apart from this, however, Mr. King took no
part in ringing until somewhere about 1893, when the old peal at Barnet were recast and fresh metal added, and he then became a member of the local society. It was, however, when he undertook the secretaryship of the old Middlesex Association that his real interest in the Exercise developed, and since that time he has rung 127 peals, either on the tenor or on the treble in a plain hunt method. With a splendid ear, he could do either of these things perfectly, and it is a little surprising that he did not venture further into the realms of practical ringing. Even Mr. King can hardly tell you why he never sought to ring inside. He has said that it may have been " partly laziness and partly specific density," but no one who knows him will attribute it to either of these failings. He has found a great delight in composition, and some very good peals of his are frequently rung, his knowledge of composition having been acquired from his old and valued friend, Mr. Charles H. Martin, of Hendon. Of the 127 peals which Mr. King has rung in 7 have been for the Middlesex Association, and while he has never rung a peal on twelve bells he once came very near it at Cornhill, where he rang the tenor for about four hours and the peal came to grief, to everyone's disappointment, less than a hundred changes from the end. His peals, rung in 53 towers, consist of the following :-

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& \text { Grandsire Triples } \\
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& \text { Bob Major .............................. } 4 \\
& \text { Double Norwich Major } \\
& \text { Stedman Triples } \\
& 4 \\
& \text { Stedman Caters }
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Mr. King is a member of the Central Council, and serves on the Analysis Committee. He is also a member of the following associations, in addition to the Middlesex :Chester Diocesan, Essex, Hertfordshire, Kent, Norwich Diocesan, Salisbury Diocesan, Surrey, Sussex, Waterloo, Winchester Diocesan and Vorkshire.

## ODD CHANGES.

Owing to a large number of records of peals being received just before we went to press, some few have unavoidably had to be held over, together with other reports.

Some time ago we referred in this column to various family peals that had been rung. A correspondent sends us the record of one rung over a hundred years ago. It was achieved at St. Andrew's Church, Soham, Cambs, where it is recorded on a peal board as follows : " Society of Soham Youths. In this tower was rung a complete peal, by three brothers and their sons, of Oxford Treble Bob, $5^{2} 40$ changes in 3 hrs . and 30 mins. on November 20th, 1809 : Thos. Tebbit treble, Robert Tebbit 2nd, Ben. Tebbit (age $I_{5}$ years) 3rd, Robert Tebbit (son of Robert) $4^{\text {th }}$, Edward Tebbit 5th, John Tebbit 6th, Thomas Tebbit (son of Thos.) $7^{\text {th, William Tebbit (son of Thos.) tenor." }}$ No conductor of the peal is mentioned. In the tower there are also recorded several peals of Norwich Court Bob and Imperial Treble Bob, between 1790 and 1800 , of Oxford and New Treble Bob Royal between 1810 and 1821.

Imong the ladies who have recently taken up handbell
ringing is Miss Winifred M. Hague, of Rotherham, whose first peal of Bob Major we record this week. It is not uninteresting to note that upon the handbells that were used on this occasion over a hundred peals have been rung. Considering them as having rung at least as many changes in failures or practices, etc., they have been struck well over one million times. They are in quite good condition, and have needed no attention since they were purchased in 1903, except a drop of oil occasionally.

A start is being made in $\stackrel{*}{*}$ oston; $\stackrel{*}{\text { U }}$.S.A., as a result of the recent recruiting of strength from England. On Wednesday evening, April 3oth, 720 Grandsire Doubles, called differently, was rung by: P. J. Allfrey i, Mrs. Shurtleff 2, S. W. Sturgis 3, Wm. Bashford 4, George Moore (conductor) 5, Dr. A. H. Nichols 6.

It is reported that the bells of Bromham, Beds, cannot be rung owing to the lack of ringers. That is a state of things that ought soon to be cured. There is an opportunity here for the Beds Association if they have not already taken steps.

The new peal of eight for Lincoln Cathedral were dedicated by the Bishop of Lincoln on Saturday. Each bell, which bears a Latin inscription, is named after a different bishop of the diocese.

## FRAMLAND SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS.

## ANNUAL MEETING AT BOTTESFORD

The 38 th annual meeting of this society was held at Bottesford on Monday week. Bands of ringers were present from Bottesford, Harby, Croxion Kerria1, Hose, Eaton, Waltham, Long Clawson, Melton Mowbray, and Wymondham, numbering just over eighty. The methods rung during the day were Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles, Bob Binor, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and Bob Major.

At 1.30, the company sat down to an excellent dinner at the Belvoir Coffee House, served by Mr. Hardy. After dinner a mixed band was arranged to ring for service, when a very good 504 of Grandsire Triples was rung under the conductorship of Mr. R. H. Bartram, Melton Mowbray.

A good congregation assembled in the Parish Church at 3 p.m., when a very interesting address was given by the Rev. J. P. Hales, of Cotgrave, Notts. A collection was made in aid of the fund of the society. The ringers then rang again in turn, and various touches were brought round.

At 6 o'clock the company again repaired to the Coffee House, where a splendid meat tea was provided. A business meeting was afterwards held.-A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, the organist and choir for their services, and to the clergy of the society for coming among the ringers and encouraging them.-The Rev. Ganon W. Vincent Jackson suitably replied.-There ware about 15 new ringing members elected.-It was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Mellon Mowbray, and the half-yearly meeting at Waltham. The balance sheet, which showed a profit of $£ 17 \mathrm{~s}$. 1d. on the year's working, was passed, and a hearty vote of thanks accorded the honorary members, to whom the satisfactory financial position was due.-A vote of thanks to the secretary (the Rev. F. E. Nugee) concluded the business

The clergy present during the day were the Rev. F. E. Nugee (hon. secretary), Rer. E. H. Stone, Rev. J. P. Hales, Rev. Canon W. Vincent Jackson, and the Rev. C. J. Sturton.

Some of the ringers then ascended the tower again, and the Waltham ringers engaged themsclves in ringing handbells, several tunes being very beautifully rung, including "The Blue Bells of Scotland," "Ring out o' Bells," "How beautiful upon the mountains," etc. A most enjoyable day was spent.

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## "The Bells of Shoreditch."



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## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## TUESDAY'S MEETING AT NEWCASTLE.

Tho twenty-third annual meeting of the Central Council was held at Newcasile-on-Tyne, on Tuesday, and was attended by some 50 representatives. From the previous Saturday onward, members arrived from the south singly and in small parties, and to all a most hearty welcome was extended by the members of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association. The President of the Association (Mr. C. L. Routledge) and the committee had left nothing undone that could add to the pleasure of the visitors, many of whom accepted the invitation to be present at the meeting of the Association at Whitley Bay and North Shields on Whit-Monday.

Peals were arranged for all who cared to stand in them, and for those content with shorter lengths, other bells were arailable. The Council meeting was held in the Lecture Theatre of the Mining Institute, and the following members were present:-
Ancient Sosiety of College Youths: A. Hughes.
Bath and Wells: A. E. Coles.
Bedforvlshire: Rev. W. W. O. Baker.
Cambridge University: E. H. Lewis.
Chester Diocesan: Rev. A. T. Beeston, W. Bibby.
Cleveland and North Yorkshire: Rev. W. P. Wright and T. Metcalfe. Devonskire: A. W. Searle.
Durham and Newcastle: C. L. Routledge, W. Story and C. Todd. Essex: W. J. Nevard.
Hertfordshire: B. Prewett.
Kent: T. Groombridge, senr.
Lancashire: Rer. H. J. Elsee, H. Chapman and T. Redman.
Leeds and District: P. J. Johnson.
Lincoln: Rev. H. Law James, R. Richardson and J. W. Seamer.
London County: E. A. Young.
Micldlesex: A. T. King.
Midland Counties: E. C. Gobey, J. Griffin and J. W. Taylor.
Northants: D. J. Nichols and F. W. Wilford.
Norwich: G. P. Burton.
Oxford: Rev. G. F. Coleridge, Rer. C. W. O. Jenkyn, F. W. Hopgood. Peterborough and District: R. Narborough.
Salisbury: Rev. F. Ll. Edwards.
Surrey: C. F. Jolnnston.
Sussex : K. Hart, G. H. Howse, F. B. Tompkins and G. Watson.
Winchester Guild: Rev. C. E. Matthews.
Worcesiershire: J. R. Newman.
Yorkshire: G. Bolland.
Hon. Members: Rev. E. W. Carpenter, Rev. H. A. Cockey, J. W. Parker, J. S. Pritchett, and the hon secretary and treasurer (the Rev. C. D. P. Davies).

A full report by our own representative will appear in these columns, but the following is a summary of the business transacted.
The statement of accounts showed that the year was begun with a balance in hand of $£ 7112 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{c}$., and that affiliation fees to the amount of $£ 12 \mathrm{2s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$. had bee 1 received. The expenditure was $£ 61 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$. , leaving a balance in hand of $£ 7713 \mathrm{~s}$. 6d. The financial statement was adopted, and a resolution passed to place $£ 50$ of the balance on deposit.
The Hon. Secretary announced that he had received no statement of accounts from the publishers of the Council's publications, and it was decided to appoint an hon. librarian to carry out the duties in future, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn being elected to the office.

The Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, Mr. J. W. Parker and the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson were re-elected hon. members.

Letters acknowledging receipt of the Council's resolution of protest against the Welsh Disestablishment Bill were read from the Prime Minister, Lord Lansdown and Mr. Bonar Law.
Verbal reports on the work of the Peal Collection Committee and the Legitimate Methods Committee were presented, and showed that progress was being made.-A suggestion that the present stock of copies of "Legitimate Methods" shorild be "scrapped," and a new edition, showing the bob work and giving extents in the methods, published, was postponed until an examination of the whole of the stock of publications has been made by the hon. librarian and the Revc. G. F. Coleridge and C. E. Matthews.

The reports of the Peals Analysis Committee (already published) were received, and the committee given power to act upon it in compiling the Analysis for the current vear.

A repnrt was also presented by the "Towers and Belfries Committee," and an offer by the Pres'dent to draw up and print at his own expense a pamphlet on the subject was gratefully accepted.

A lengthy discussion took place in the afternoon upon "The possibility of an unfavourable change in the attitude of the general public towards bell ringing as a result of the increasing number of peals anrually rung.'
It was introduced by the Rev. H. J. Elsee, but no resolution was moved on the matter.
The Rev. H. Law James moved: "That the Council is of opinion that Superlative Surpris Royal, as published by Shipway, is the same method as Superlative Surprise Major." Mr. James went into an exhaustive and highly technical argument in support of his theory, but on the suggestion of Mr. Parker, the maiter was left over for another year, so that there might be more opportunity for members to look irto the subject.

The following motion was on the agenda: "That the Ladies' Guild of Change Ringers should bo represented on the Council, and, if thought well, to move a resolution on the subject."
It was pointed out that the Ladies' Guild made no application for admission this year, and after some discussion, in which divergent riews were expressed upon the admission of lady representatives, the question was left over for the members to consult their respective associations, with a view to coming to a decision next year.
Mr. George Bolland moved: "To call renewed attention to the Council's recommendation paseed in 1902, ancl incorporated in "Rules and Decisions," to the effect that not less than seren days' notice shall be given in the columns of the ringing papers stating the tower, day and hour ai whirh any attempt is to be made to surpass any previous peal."-The motion found no seconder.

On the motion of the Hon. Secretary, seconded by the President, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Routledge and the members of the Newcastle Association for the trouble they had taken to make the meeting a success.-This was carried by acclamation, and Mr'. Routledge replied.

A rote of tha: a s to the President closed the meeting.
In the evening an enjoyable social gatharing wook place at the County Hotel.

## THE LADIES' GUILD.

FIRST ANNUAL MEETING.
The annual meeting of the Ladies' Guild was held on Whit-Monday at Birmingham. Fourteen members attended from various parts of the country, including Birmingham, Leicester, Tamworth, Burton-onTrent, Reading, Bramley, Portishead, and London.

Ringing took place at St. Martin's, Birmingham, and St. Peter, Harborne. At the former tower some of the members had their first experience in twelve-bell ringing. With the help of the gentlemen present touches of Stedman Caters, Stedman Triples, Grandsire Caters, Grandsire Triples and Double Norwich were rung, and nine members twok part in rounds on the twelre. It may be remarked in passing that the three gentlemen who assisted in the rounds rang the small bells, one of Birmingham's "big bell" ringers being on the treble.
At Harborne. Grandsire Triples was rung by members of the Guild only, and Stedman Triples with a tenor man. This is the first time seven ladies have rung Stedman Triples inside.
The tea took place at Harborne Schools, and a company of 42 was present, including such well known ringers as Messis. Godden, Grores, Reeves, Rock Small, Carter, Painter, and others from neighbouring to wns.

Before the business meeting commenced, Mr. W. H. Godden welcomed the Ladies' Guild to Birmingham, on behalf of the St. Martin's Guild and other associations, and expressed the hope that they would in years to come risit the city with increased numbers, and also increased abilities.-Miss Parker suitably replied, and invited the gentlemen to stay to the meeting.
In the absence of Miss Alice White (the President), through ill. health, Kiss Belcher was voted to the chair.
The balance sheet was passed as read. It was very gratifying to find a balance of $£ 124 \mathrm{~s}$. 8d. in hand. This splendid balance is due to the generosity of Sir Arthur Heywood, who, to show his interest in the Guid, sent a donation of $£ 10$ towards the funds,
Miss Alice White was re-elected as President of the Guild. The secretary and treasurer and the committee were also re-elected as follows: Northern District: Miss L. Willson. Eástern District: Miss E. Steele. Southern District: Miss E. N. Belcher. Western District: Miss N. Gillingham. Midland District: Miss Pigott. Secretary and〔reasurer: Miss E. K. Parker.

One honorary member and two ringing members were elected, and the election of seven members ratified.
A slight alteration was made in Rule 2, which now reats as follows: "That the society consist of members of the fominine sex who are able to ring either upon church bells or handbells, and honorary non-ringing mambers.'

As ihe place for the next meeting, London, Leicester and Bristol were in turn proposed, and in turn rejected. This caused considerable anmusement to the audience. After a prolonged discussion, Bristol was again put to the meeting, and carried unanimously. It was left to the committee to decide the date of the meeting.

The matter of a badge for the Guild was then discussed, and various designs submitted. A design was selected, and the secretary was asked to communicate with Mr. Whittington, who had 1 ary kindly offered to secure the badges. The Guild decided to buy a stock and sell to the members at cost price, thus effecting a considerable saving on each hadge. The Secretary mroposed a vote of thanks to the Rectors and steeplekeepers of the churches, and also to the ringers present for Chom 4 sisiance in the belfyy and for their mesence at tea.
After the meeting, a course of Grandsire Triples on handbells was rung by members alone, and a course of Bob Major and Grandsire Caters with some of the visitors.

The Guild wish to take this opportunity of expressing their thanks to Mr. J. E. Groves for giving up the whole day in their interest.
On Sunday evening, at Selly Oak, Birmingham, Mr. Harry Withers lapped on his dulcimer Thurstans' quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 40 mins., the calling being by Miss Fedith K. Parker. Witnesses: John Carter .J. E. Groves. S. Grove, Miss Samison, Miss Johnson.

## LONG STANTON TENOR.

## NEW BELL DEDICATED.

The new tenor bell at Long Stanton, Crambs, a picture of which is here given, was dedicated on Thursday of last week. It will be remembered that after the peal had been augmented to eight and rehung, in face of a good many difficullies, the old tenor cracked, and as the result of an appeal made by Vioar (the Rev. H. B. Woolley) ringers from many parts of England sent their contributions towards the cost of recasting. The work has been very successfully carried out at the Loughborough foundry.
The dedication services commenced with a celebration of the Holy Communion at $7.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. The actual ceremony was performed at the first evensong at 3 p.m., the following clergy being present: The Revs. H. B. Woolley (Vicar), W. C. Cooke (Rural Dean), A. Peskett, H. G. Hooton, T, E. Beckett, J. Selwyn Sharp, and H. Law James. The usual choir was augmented by a surpliced choir of B.A.'s and undergraduates from Cambridge, processional hymns being sung at the beginning and end of the services. After the third collect the clergy and choir walked in procession to the tower, where the Rural Dean unverled a peal board commemorating the first peal rang on the bells on Dccomber 12th, 1912, and then dedicated the new bell, upon which a dozen strokes were rung by the Vicar. A few rounds were then rung on the eright bells. The Rural Dean preached an appropriate sermon on Acts vii, 47 .


The day was, unfortumately, inconvenient for ringers, but Cambridge ringers were repented by Messrs. J. Bruce Williamson (hon. secretary Cambridge University Guild), and T. R. Demnis (hon. secretary Ely Diccosan Association). At the evening service, held at 7 p.m., the meacher was the Rev. H. Law James. who preached a must forcible and telling discourse from Acts $i$, 8 bringing out in a very able manner the spiritual teaching which underlies the recasting of the old bell:
The new tenor is of the same size as the old one. riz., 35 inches across The new tenor is of the same size as the old one, riz., 35 inches across tho mouth. but her weight is 7 ewt. 2 qrs. 11 lbs., as against 6 cwt. 3 ys. 11 lbs., the note being $A$
The old inscription on the shculder has been reproduced in facsimile, に, M1LLE GRATE FECIT 1655.
The tone of the bell is much admired, and reflects great credit on the firm of Muars. Taylor, of Loughborough, being richer and fuller than that of the oid bell.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

## PRESENTATION TO THE PRESIDENT

It was almost a unique gathering that took placo at North Shields 011 Monday on the oceasion of the Whitsun meeting of the Durham and Newearth Diocesan Association. Not only were there member's present from a great many towers in the two counties, but the gathering was aitended by a number of the representatives who had assembled in Neweastic for the Central Council meeting on the morrow, a hearty invitation to the risitors having been extended by the Association. Linging tools place during the day. both oa the ten bells
at Christ Church, North Shields, and on the fine new eight at Whitley Bay.

Dinner, to whioh 70 sat down, was served at the Bath Hotel, Tynemouth, the chair being taken by the genial president (Mr. O. L. Routledge). He was supported by the Revs. IR. E. Holmes (Vicar of Tynemouth), B. Jealous (Fencehouses) and A. W. Lister (Tanfield), Messrs. A. T. King, I.S.O. (president of the Middlesex Association), J. W. Taylor (vice-president of the Midland Counties Association). Among others present were: Messrs. G. Watson (hon, secretary of the Sussex Association), J. Cotterell (treasurer of the Yorkshire Association), B. Prewett (Herts Association), K. Hart, G. H. Howse (Sussex), G. Bolland, P. J. Jackson (Yorks), E. C. Gobey (Midland Counties), H. Chapman (Lancs.), C. Johnston (Surrey), G. T. Potter (past president), J. W. Parker, W. Storey, T. T. Gofton, J. A. Gofton, C. Todd (hon. secretary), and others.
After the toast of "The King" had been honoured, the President proposed "The Visitors," to whom he extended a cordial welcome.Mr A. T King, who first responded, said he had been simply etruck with the extraordinary hospitality with which the visitors from other Associations had been welcomed at Newcastle. He, a perfect stranger, had been received with open arms by everybody, and all the visitors would go away with the most pleasant recollections of an exceedingly minoyable trip.-Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, Editor of "The Ringing World," whose name was also coupled with the toast, endorsed what had been said by Mr. King as to the warmth of the welcome extended to the visitors, whose thanks were voiced.

PRESIDENT'S SERVICES ACENOWLEDGED.
Mr. Gr. T. Potter said on that cccasion, which was rendered of special interest by reason of the visit of the Central Council to Newcastle, the members of the Durham and Newcastle Association desired to make a presentation to their esteemed and respected president (applause). For a great number of years Mr. Routledge had worked extremeiy hard in the interests of the Associations-in fact, the amount of work he had done nobody knew, except, perhaps, his wife (laughter and applause). As secretary, he had been the friend and guide of everybody, spurring on the lazy ones, coaxing the beginners, and giving a helping hand to all. And now he occupied the honoured position of president. No man more deserved that honour, and they hoped he might long be spared to enjoy it (applause). One of his services had been appreciated very much, and that was in the Cathedral belfry, which had been in a state of chaos and darkness in more senses than one. They had cleaned out the dirt from the belfry, they had now established regular ringing on Sundays, and had got together a band as good as any in the country (hear, hear). All that was due to the energy of Mr. Routledge (applause). Personally, he (the speaker) wished to thank him for all the assistance he gave him during the time he occupied the presidency. On behalf of the members of the Association, he had to ask Mr. Routledgeis acceptance of three silver dishes, which were inscribed: ' Presented to C. L. Routledge, Esq., president, by the members of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association of Change Ringers, as a token of esteem and appreciation of his post services. Whit-Monday, May 12th, 1913.'

Mr. Potter handed the handsome dishes to Mr. Routledge amid loud cheers and the singing of "For he's a jolly good fellow."
Mr. Routledge, whose rising was the signal for another outburst of cheering, was obviously taken much by surprise. He said he thought he knew everything that was going on in the Association, but that presentation had: "fairly bowled him over." He thanked the members for their great kindness. He had done nothing to deserve such recognition, and whatevar he had done had been a labour of love (applause).
The Hon. Secretary read an apology for absence from the Rev. J. H. Barker (Consett), who sent his good wishes to Mr. Routledge.

Nine new life niembers were elected, and 16 ordinary members, including twelve from St. Aiden's, Bambrough.
This concluded the proceedings, and bands were afterwards made up for peals in the evening.

## BELL RESTORATIONS IN KENT.

The bell hangers have been very active in Kent during the past year or two, but despite this fact, there still remain many peals which need rehanging and repairing. A meeting was recently held at Smarden, when it was decided to rehang the five bells and add a new treble, for which a sum of $£ 180$ would be required. It was arranged to hold a garden fete and a sale of work in July, in aid of the funds. A committee was appointed, and an appeal will shortly be made to all houscholders in the parish.
At Westwell, a small village three miles from Ashford, a scheme has for some time been on foot for raising $£ 250$ for repairing and augmenting the church bells. There are four bells in the pretty little steeple, one of them being cracked.

It is also reported that a fund is to be started towards rehanging the beautiful peal of eight at Biddenden.

There is a pretty church at Eastling, with a fine peal of six (tenor about 9 ewt.), which have not been rung for many years, owing to their unsafe condition, and there is also a peal of fire at Kingsnorth (tenor 14 cwt .), which have been silent for some time, as they are in need of repair. A peal of five at Boughton Aluph, which need repairing, have also been silent for several years. There is opportunity here for the Church authorities.

## DEATH OF MR. JOHNSON HERN.

## A PIONEER OF CHANGE RINGING IN THE NORTH.

The death has occurred at his residence at Reading of Mr. Johnson E. Hern, who was a pioneer of change ringing in. Durham and Northumberland, and who, throughout his life, wherever he has lived, has taken the liveliest interest in the art and done much, by teaching young ringers, and rendering help wherever it was possible, to further the cause in various parts of the country. The deceased, who was only ill for a few days, was 66 years of age, and leaves a widow and daughter to mourn their loss.
Born in Dickleburgh3, Norfolk, the eldest son of the late Mr. Edward Hern, a farmer, Mr. Johnson Hern was one of four brothers, the others being Joel, Judah and James, all ringers. The deceased has been almost a lifelong exponent of the art of campanology. Beginning in his boyhood days, in his native county of Norfolk, where he acquired his first experiences as a ringer, he migrated to the North of England, and setitling down in the pretty village of Furworth-on-Tees, situate some three miles from the Quaker town of Darlington, the birthplace of railways, he at once set about earnestly to further the cause he had so much at heart, gathering around him a band of youthful spirits imbued with the desire to learn the art of ringing. Under the skilful guidance of the deceazed, they soon became expert in the various Minor methods which come within the scope of a six-bell tower such as Hurwortin possessed.

A FOUNDER OF THE DURIIAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.
At that time scientific change-ringing in the North of England, at any rate beyond Yorkshire, was entirely unknown, but having once got a start, the deceased soon spread the infection to most of the large towns and villages in the counties of Durham and Northumberland, and, ultimately, with the assistance of one or two other equally enthusiastic followers of the art, they formed what is now so well known in the bell ringing world as "The Durham and Newcastle Diacesan Association." These facts speak volumes as to the indomitable character of the deceased, who was ever ready, both in theory and practise, to further the cause. On leaving Furworth, after a residence of a goed many years, to take up fresh duties at Newnham-on-Severn in Gloucestershire, he was presented with very tangible mementoes by the choir (of which he was a deroted member), the bell-ringers, and also the parishioners, to whom he had endeared himself, and by whom he was held in the highest respect.

Mr. Johnson Hern's first peal was rung in 1869 in his native rillage, and was a 5040 of Doubles in five methods, which he conducted. The peal was recorded by a local paper as follows: 'On Tuesday last, fire of the ringers of this place met at the church tower and performed an unparalleled feat on these bells by ringing in splendid style 5040 changes ill 3 hrs. 2 mins. The ringing was composed of the following peals: Stedman's principle, Stedman's slow-course, St. Simon's Doubles, Dunstan Doubles and Bob Doubles. The ringers were: Mr. C. Rudd treble, Judah Hern second, Robt. Flammond third, Joel Hern fourth, Johnson Hern tenor and conductor."
EARLY PEALS.

Mr. Hern remored to Hurworth in 1871, and soon got a capable band together. In 1874 he rang in a peal of Kent Treble Bob Najor at Thirsk; and subsequently in the first peal of Major in Northumberland. He trained some of the best ringers in the district, and there are still some of his pupils ringing the same belle, to Treble Bob and Surprise methods. Mr. Hern left the north for Newnham-on-Seveln in 1884. and went to reside at Reading 25 years ago. He was a member of St. Mary's and St. Lawreuce's belfries, and was much respected by all who knew him. He was a member of a number of ringing societies, including Durham and Nerrastle: the College Youths, to which he was elected in 1872; the Yorkshire Association, which he joined in 1875 ; and the Gloucester and Bristol, to which he became affiliated in 1884.
The mortal remains were laid to rest in St. George's Cemetery, Reading, the officiating clergy being: The Rer. W. H. Harper (Vicar of St. George's), the Rer. C. W. O. Jenkyn, Master of the Oxford Guild, and the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, R.D.. Vicar of Crowthorne. A number of ringers attended the last sad rites, and over the open grave a course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbelle by: A. Wr. Pike 1-2, C. Giles 3-4, F. W. Hopgood 5-6, W. Newell 7-8. Subsequently, at al thrse of the Reading Churches touches were ming with the bells halfmuffled.

## BELLS DEDICATED AT OSWALDTWISTLE.

The bells of Immanuel Church, Oswaldtwistle, Lancs, have been augmented to eight by the addition of two trebles. The old six have bcen rehung in a new iron frame, and an extremely satisfactory job has been made of the contract by Messis. Taylor and Co., of the Loughborough Foundry. The dedication of the new bells took place on Tuesday of last week, the ceremony being performed by the Bishop of Manchester, the other clergy assisting in the service being the Vicar of Oswaldtwistle; the Rev. H. J. Fises, President of the Lancashire Association and Vicar of St. George's, Bolton; and the Rev. F. Velville. After the service the bells were opened by the local company with a short touch of Double Norwich: C. Sharples 1, J. Shaw 2, W. Whewell 3, J. Rawcliffe 4, W. Riley 5, A. T. Houldsworth 6, J Houldsworth (conductor) 7, J. Bentley 8. Afterwards the Rev. H. J Elsee and Mr. Woods (Musbery) joined in a touch of Dortble Norwich, and other visitors took part in touches of Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob Major.

## NOTICES.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -A branch meeting will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturlay, May 17 th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. The bells have been rehung and augmented to a peal of eight.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - $\Lambda$ monthly meeting will be held at Kenilworth on Saturday, May rith. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m.-Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the $\mathcal{E}$.

 James' Society, Established 1824). -Northern District.The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Willesden, on Saturday, May 17 th. Tower open at 4 p.m. Business meeting at 8.15 p.m. All members and friends welcome.-I. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7D, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.
## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSO-

 CIATION.-Western Branch.-A general ringing meeting will be held at Hallow on Saturday, May 17 th, commencino at 5 p.m.-R. G. Knowles, Branch Secretary.
## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Divi-

 sion. -The next meeting will be held at Shoreham on Saturday, May 17 th. Tower open from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5. Business to \{ollow. Service at 6. Members intending to be present at tea please let me know by Thursday, May 15 th.-H. Evans, Divisional Secretary, Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.
## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

 -Established 1637 . - Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on May 22nd; St. John's, Hackney, on the 27 th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 27th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 2oth; St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus 7.30, all the others 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIA-TION.-A mecting will be held at Whittlesea on Saturday, May 24 th. Service at St. Mary's at 4.30. Meeting after. Bells at St. Mary's (8), St. Andrew's (6) available afternoon and evening.-F. T. Cooke, Hon. Secretary, 195, Gladstone Street, Peterborough.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The half-yearly meeting will be held at Bury on Saturday, May 2 th. Bells of the Parish Church (8) will be available from 2.30 p.m. Meeting in the schoolroom at 5.30 p.m.-W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Honorary Secretaries.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at St. Stephen's, West Ealing, on Saturday, May 24th, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. W. H. Thompson). Ringing from 4.30 , short service at 6 . Tea will be provided by the Vicar at 6.30 to those who notify (by May 22nd) Mr. W. Lawrence, Shakespeare Road, Hanwell. - H. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual meeting is to be held at Wimborne Minster, on Wednesday, May 28th. Ringing to commence at ir.o. Service in the

Minster at I2.15. Preacher, Rev. Canon J. M. J. Fletcher, Vicar of Wimborne Minster. Dinner at Masonic Hall at I.I5. Ringers will be the guests of the Wimborne Branch. The towers at Cranborne and St. Giles, Poole, Canford, Lytchett Minster and Stuıminster Marshall will be open for ringing. - N.B.: The day fixed is not Monday, but Wednesday the 28th inst.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.A meeting for practice will be held at Walton-le-Dale on May 3 rst. Bells available from 3 o'clock.-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-Dale.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, by kind permission of the Rev. O. R. Dawson, on Saturday, May 3Ist. Bells available at $3 \cdot 30$. Short service, with address, at 5 . Tea at $5.45,6 \mathrm{~d}$. each. All members and friends welcome.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch.- The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Surfleet (in connection with the opening of the new peal of io bells) on Saturday, May 3ist. Short service at 3 o'clock, with address, by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, M.A., Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Dinner at the Crown Inn at one o'clock. Tickets 2s. 3d. each. As Surfleet is a country village it is absolutely necessary that intending visitors wishing to dine must notify me not later than May 24 th. Stations: Surfleet, G.N., one mile; Pinchbeck, G.N. and G.E., two miles. Ringing friends will be heartily welcomed.-G. Ladd, Honorary Secretary, Pinchbeck, Spalding.

## HOLIDAY APARTMENTS.

Having frequently had inquiries from ringers for information as to other members of the Exercise who have holiday apartments to let, we offer the use of our columns to those who cater for visitors at seaside and other resorts. Terms for insertion will be sent on application.

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TREBLE BOB WITH TWIN HUNT.
To the Editor.
Sir,-Although such a thing has not previously been published, the idea of a Treble Bob Method with two hunts is not new. I have had some for a long time, and some few years back, when I was at Surfleet, Mr. Law James showed me, or explained to me, how he had got such a method. The one Mr. Dench publisles is, strictly speaking, not legitimate. The lead end comes, not where he puts it, at the trcble's whole pull, but at the snap.

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And consequently you do not get a correct lead end. That is the reason why this method has not been published before, although it was well known to us.--Yours truly,
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

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The re-casting of the peal of ten belle with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhainpton, recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BEiCK,

Architect, Diocesan Surveyor

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING.

Very briefly last week we recorded what was done by the Central Council at the meeting at Newcastle on Whit-sun-Tuesday, and this week we give the first instalment of the full report of the lengthy proceedings, which were attended by 27 out of the 40 affiliated associations. Those who made the long journey north are not likely soon to forget the completeness of the arrangements made by the Durham and Newcastle Association for the comfort, pleasure and entertainment of their visitors.
Of the meeting itself, however, one can hardly speak with the same enthusiasm, for while the members actually sat for five and a half hours, the discussions, with one or two exceptions, were not very fruitful. The morning saw the transaction of what may be termed the formal business of the Council, and it was left to the afternoon session to provide the real debates, the discussions on the questions of the possibility of an unfarourable change in the attitude of the general public towards bell ringing, and the representation of the Ladies' Guild on the Council bringing out some able and piquant speeches. Whether in regard to the former matter it was quite wise to discuss it in the presence of the general Press, is a question upon which opinion may have been divided, but when later in the day members saw a flaming. placard of one of the evening papers drawing attention to "the nuisance of bell ringing," and read a long report of the debate on the subject exposing the ringers' "hand " to the public, as it were, many felt that a mistake had been made, and that rather than obviating trouble, the Council had asked for it.

Some little asperity was introduced into the subject of the representation of the Ladies' Guild, and there is going to be another debate on the matter next year, after the members have had the opportunity of consulting their associations. A surprising amount of seriousness was applied to the discussion of the question, and had it been the Mother of Parliaments itself debating the women's franchise the speakers could hardly have treated it more gravely. The majority of the members seemed on the side of the ladies, whose claims to admission next year are likely to be much stronger than on this occasion. But-in classic phrase-we must " wait and see." Another question that stands over for a year is the identification of Superlative Surprise Royal. The Rev. H. Law James' learned disquisition could only be followed with difficulty by those whose acquaintance with the intricacies of this subject is superficial. Matters of this kind might well be settled by a committee of experts, for it is absolutely impossible for nine-tenths of the members of the Council to express an authoritative opinion one way or the other.

## CHARLES CARR,



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## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Thre Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Colleglate Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL DF BOB MAXIMUS, 5016 CHANGE8;
Tenor 33 cwt.
 and H. W. Wilde's 150 th peal.

## BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Tuesday, May 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Forty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES; Tenor 36 cwt ., in C .


Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by James E. Groves.

## LONDON

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Forty-eight Minutes.
At St. Savlour's Cathedral, Southwark,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;
Tenor 50 cwt .


| Bertram Preivett | $\ldots$ | ... | 2 | James E. Davis | ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Reuben Sanders | $\ldots$ | .. | 3 | John H. B. Hesse... | .. | 9 |


| Reuben Sanders | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | John H. B. Hesse... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Isaac G. Shade ... | ... | ... | 4 | William J. Nudds... | ... 10 |

$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Isaac G. Shade ... } & \cdots & \cdots & 4 \\ \text { Charles T. Coles } & \cdots & \cdots & 5 & \text { William Pie }\end{array}$......
Joha H. Cheesman ... ... 6 Ernest Pye ... ... ... ... Tenor
Composed by John Carter, and Conclucted by William Pye.
C. T. Coles' 200 th peal.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

STONHAM ASPAL, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes. At the Church of St. Lambert,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5139 GHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

James Motts
Williaai I'. Garrett Robert H. Hayward Henry C. Gillingham Edgar Pemberton
...Treble William Motts
.. 2 Frederick Day...
3 Charles A. Catchpole... 6
7
8
Robert H. Brondle ... 9 Peter J aflin
Bradley, and
Composed by J. P. Bradley, and
Conducted by James Motis.
The members wish to thank the Rector (the Rev. A. W. Darwin) for granting permission for the use of the bells, and Mr . A. Thurlow (the sexton) for having all in good order.

CIRENCESTER, GLOS.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Twenty-two Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 GHANGES ;
Tenor 29 cwt ., in D .


THE MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Wulfrum,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB KOYAL, 5000 CHANCES;
George Hollis...

## Tenor 37 cwt .

George hollis... ..
Bewhamin A. Knights
Albert R. Coppock..
Joh. C. Dicken... ..
$\mid c$
$\ldots$. Tveble
$\cdots$
$\cdots$$|$

- Arthur Kinights ... ... 6 Albert R. Coppock ..... .3 William J. Thyng... ... 8 Johi. C. Dicken... ... ... 4 Percival Price ... ... 9 Samuel Wesley

Composed by Arthur Knights, and
Conducted by Benjamin A. Kinights.
*First peal of Treble Bob Royal. First peal of Treble Bob Royal on the bells.

## CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Monday, Muy 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At Christchurch Priory Church,

## a PEAL Of KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 CHANGES;

 Tenor 30 cwt .irthur Cutmore ... ...Treble Arthur E. Bradley ... 6 William A. Garrard ... 2 †Ernest G. Stibbons … 7 George Preston ... ... 3 James R. Mackman ... 8
 - lercy L. Miles ....... 5 William E. Garrard ...Tenor

Composed by C. H. Hatersley, and
Conducted by W. E. Garrard.
*First peal. $\dagger$ 5oth peal. This composition which is now rung for the first time, contains the $4^{\text {th }}$, $5^{\text {th }}$ and 6 th three courses in 6 th's, and $5^{\text {th }}$, hree courses in 5th's with the second bell at home throughout, and is the first peal of Royal on this grand ring of bells.

## HULL.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes, At the Church of Holy Trinity;
a peal of kent treble bob royal, 5000 Chances;
Tenor $25 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
 * First peal in the method.

BEVERLEY
THE YORISSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Or Monday, May 12, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Forty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5111 CHANGES;

|  | Teno | wt. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John H. Brothwell | ...Treble | Clement Gienn | . 6 |
| H. Noble Imeson | 2 | Edward Rickitt |  |
| $\dagger$ trimor Hague ... | ... 3 | *Walter Ayre. | 8 |
| Thomas Hagh... ... | 4 | Rupert Richardson |  |
| Albert C. Fearniey |  | William Middieton | Tenor | peal in the method on the bells.

## LONDON.

ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.
On Tuesday, May 13, 1913, in Three Howrs and Twenty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret, Westminster,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5120 CHANGES;
Tenor 26 cwt.

| Alfred W. Grimes | $\ldots$. Treble | Frank Bennett | ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Composed by J. Armiger Trollope, and Conducted by Alfred W. Grimes.

* First peal of Royal.


## WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Friday, May 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5033 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt . o qr. I8 lbs.

| *Samuel Summerhill | ...Treble | Willian Fisher | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\dagger$ Thomas H. Burkitt | 2 | Thomas Hughes |  |
| Horace Belcher | 3 | George Hughes | 8 |
| Moses B. Smith ... | . 4 | Albert E. Blundell | 9 |
| Walter E. Brittian | ... 5 | Benjamin Gough ... | . Tenor |

## Composed by George Hayward, and Conducted by George Heghes.

*First peal. $\dagger$ First peal with a bob bell. First peal on the bells since being recast by Messrs. Gillett \& Johnston, the tone and "go" being excellent. Messrs. W. Fisher and B. Gough belong to Coseley: the rest are local men.

## ASHTON-UNDER-IYNE.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION, YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

 AND ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.On Suturday, May 17, 1913, in Four Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
At the Parish Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 6080 CHANGES;

## Tenor 27 cwt .

Isaac Sidebottom
...Treble $\mid$ Benj. Gill
Samuel Booth .... 6
Thomas Jakeman … ... 3 Albert Adams... $\quad . .$.
Thomas Bottrill
Fred Page ... ...
Albert Adams...
Harry Chapman $\stackrel{9}{9}$

Composed and Conducted by Samuel Wood.
The above band started for 14,000 Kent Treble Bob Royal, as announced in "The Ringing World," but as the ringing was not satisfactory to the conductor, he decided to come round at the above length.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

FOXEARTH, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Thrce Hours,
At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Paul,

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

| Arthur Maxim | ...Treble | Albert Catterwell |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thomas Chinery | ... 2 | Frederick Inch | 6 |
| William Wiffen | 3 | Arthor Taylor | . 7 |
| Archie Ives... |  | Samuel Evans. | ...Tenor |

## Composed by T. Lockwood, and Conducted by Samuel Evans.

First peal of Major by the ringers of 3rd and 4 th, who hail from Pentlow, A. Catterwell belongs to Belchamp Walter.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTV ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minates, At Christ Chorch, Cubitt Town, E,
a peal of stedman triples, 5040 Changes;
Thurstans' Four-Part.
Albert W Coles .....Treble Willian H Theosal 4 lbs.
Thomas H. Hawkins.. $.2^{2}$ Charles T. Coles..... .5
Harold W. Clark ... $. . .13 \mid$ Reuben Sanders ... William Pye $\ldots \quad . . . \quad . .{ }^{4}$ Conducted by Charles T. Coles.
Rung with the belis half-muffled as a token of respect to the late William Donaldson, father of one of the local ringers.

## GALLEYWOOD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Tato Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All angels,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor $14 \frac{1}{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{cw}$.
*Robert E. Pellatt... ...Tyeble | Harry Richell ... ... 5 Henry J. Klng ... ... ... 2 William J. Kemp ... ... 6 Henry F. Cooper... *Charles Gray ... ... ... 4 *George H. Orford ...Tenor Conducted by Willian J. Kemp.

- First peal. † First peal with a bob bell. Mr. H. J. King was elected a member of the Association previous to starting.


## NEWCHURCH, LANCS.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Rossendale Branch.)
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Changes; Vicars' Six-Part.

Tenor is cwt.
James Tayeor ... ... ...Treble
Robert Leach ... ... ... 2
Samuet Lord...${ }^{-}$.
John H. Haydock $\quad . .$. Conducted by Walter Taylor.
Rung as a farewell to Jonathan Wnlstenholme, of Ramsbottom, who left for Canada on the 17 th, and to commemorate the silver wedding of Arthur Diver, one of the Newchurch ringers.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,
a PEAL OF double norwich court bob major, 6088 Chances;
Tenor 9 cwt . o qr. 26 lbs .
Joseph Waghorn, Sent. ...Treble *Charles H. Rossell ... 5 Lionel H. Page

William T. Tucker John S. Rumming Henry W. Wilkes ... Composed by the Rev. H. Earle Bulwer, and Conducted by George Williams.

* First peal of Double Norwich with a bob bell.


## SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF Stedman triples, 5040 Changes;

Pitstow's Variation.
Edwin G. Buesden ... ...Tveble Ernest J. Dobbie Charles W. Brett $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Charles W. Brett } & . . & \cdots & 3 \\ \text { Frederick G. Brett } & \cdots & 4\end{array}$

Tenor 21 cwt .

- Frederick S. Macey … 5 Spencer Marshall ... 6 - Charles W. Player … 7 - Horace Whitehead ...Tenor Conducted by Edwin G. Bueseen.
* First peal of Stedman. Rung as a farewell to the ringer of the tenor, who is leaving the district.

| FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK. <br> THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION <br> On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary, <br> A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, siJ88 CHANGES; <br> Tenor i6 cwt. <br> Composed by D. Prentice, and Conducted by Charles F. Bailey. <br> DORCHESTER, OXON. <br> THE OXEORD DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Threc Hours, <br> At the Abbey, |
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A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes;
A Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor ig cwt.
*Frederick W. WoodwardsTreble
Edgar Humprey ... ... 2
William E. Napper ... 3
Richard G. Rice ... ... 4
William Hution
Richard Davis......
Edmund Bannister $\quad . .7$
Join E. Allen … $\cdots$...Teror
Conducted by Edmund Bannister.

* First peal away from the tenor.


## QUIDENHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-ti'o Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF dOUBLE NORWICh COURT bOb MAJOR, 5024 Changes;
Frederick Middleton ...Tyeble

| Frank R. Copeman ... | $\ldots$ | 2 | Frederick Howchin | ... | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George | H. Cross | ... | ... | 6 |  | George Howchin ... ... 3 Frederick C. Burrows.... 7 Benjamin S. Thompson ... 4 Albert G: Warnes ...Tenor Composed by G. H. Cross, and Conducted by A. G. Warnes.

LENTON, NOTTINGHAM.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Chorch of Holy Trinity.
a PEAL Of SUPERLATHE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 ChamGES; Tenor 8 年 cwt .

| Samuel Wesley... | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ Treble | Benjamin A. Knights | .. | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sam Thomas | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | William J. Thyng... | $\cdots$ | 6 |



Composed and Conducted by Arthur Knights.

## HATFIELD, HERTS

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Etheldreda,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 GHANGES;
Tenor 26 cwt .

| Henry S. Reeves | ...Treble | Harry Hollick |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Joseph Chatley... ... | ... 2 | George N. Price ... ... 6 |
| Ernest E. Randall | ... 3 | Grorge E. Howchin ... 7 |


| Ernest E. Randall | $\cdots$ | 3 | George E. Howchiv | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Walter S. InWood ... | $\cdots$ | 4 | Edward Whitbread |  |  |

 Composed by J. W. Pritchard, and
Conducted by Edward Whirbread.
First peal in the metlood on the bells.
CHIPPING BARNET, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Fours and Seven Mintes, At the Chorch of St. John the Baftist,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 Chances;

## Thurstans' Four-Part.

Tenor 24 cwt .
Henry S. Reeves ... ...Treble George N. Price ... ... 5 Joseph Chatley ... ... 2 Ernest E. Randall … 3 Walter S. Inwood ... Conducted by George N. Price.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Honrs and Twelve Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part. Edward P. Debenham ...Treble Frederic C. Rice ... ... 2 ederic C. Rice ... ... 2 Robert A Kirby John W. Malyan ... ... 3 Harry J. Fewell ..... .96
 of oixilz Conducted by F. C. Rice.
First peal as conductor and first attempt.
HORRINGER, SUFFOLK
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE
ST. JAMES SOCIETY, BURY ST. EDMUNDS.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. 3 lbs., in A flat.
Stedman H. Symonds ...Treble
$\ldots .2$ Fredrick G. Devell Walter Radley ....

Charles Woodcock
George Debenham... ... 6
Arthur Symonds...$\quad$... 7
Harry A. Turner ... ... Teror

Harry A. Turner
Sottanstall, and
Conducted by S. H. Symonds.
First peal in the method on the bells.

## RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT.

THE WINCHES'LER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF CRANBSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Hollis's Five-Part No. 2.
Charles J. Stainer ... ...Tveble Percy Long George H. Coombes.... Gerver h. Coombes... ... 3 Oliver C. Coombes ...
$\begin{array}{ll}\cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & 3\end{array}$
Conducted by A. Richard Ward
Rung as a compliment to Mr. George H. Coombes to celebrate his 70th birthday.

## CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Leonard,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part.
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

| Miss F. E. Thatcher | $\ldots$ Treble | Alfred Davies | ... | .. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Miss K. C. Thatcher | $\ldots$ | 2 | "Charles Sheriff | $\ldots$ | ... | 6 | | Miss IK. C. Thatcher | ... | 2 | "harles Sheriff | ... | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Johy Barber, Senr. ... | ... | 3 | William Short | ... | ... | 7 |

 Conducted by William Short.

* First peal on eight bells. This peal was rung to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the $I_{4}, I_{2}$ of London Surprise.

MARKET DRAYTON, SALOP.
THE SALOP ARCHIDIAC'JNAL GUILD.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
H. W. Wild's Transposition of Thurstan's.
 ?. First peal of Stedman Triples. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung for the Whitsuntide Festival. The band wish to thank Dr. F. M. T. Greenwood for the use of the bells, Mr. Weatherby for having all ready, and Mr. E. R. T. Corbett for his kind hospitality :after the peal.

NEWARK-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.
NEWARK PARISH CHURCH SOCIETY.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes, at the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAMGES;
Holt's Ten-Part.

* Charles H. Chapman ...Treble *Frud 33 cwt.

Charles H. ...Treble "Fred W. Foster.
*Edward C. Thrale … 2 "Victor R. Afpleby
5
6
Richard Dawson $. . . \quad . . .3$ Leonard Bullock 3 ... 7

*James S. Bugg... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 4 |$| *John C. Stanger ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *James J. Jennison... | Tenor Conducted by L. Bullock.

* First peal. The only peal rung on the bells by a local band since I815.


## LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventien Minutes,
On the Royal Memorial Bells of St. John tee Divine,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5200 CHANGES |
Tenor 2I cwt., in E .

| Miss Hilda F. Willson ...Treble | Fred W. Herbert... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William H. Inglesant ... | 2 | E. Maurice AtkiNs | ... |
| 6 |  |  |  | Edgar Vallance $\quad . . . \quad \cdots \quad 3$ *H. Edward Norman.. .7 E. Harry Stoneley... ... 4 | William Willso..... ... Tenor Composed and Conducted by William Willson.

* First peal of Double Norwich. Rung in honour of the wedding of James Harris (one of St. John's Society) and Miss Ethel Bowman at this church, the ringers wishing them every happiness. It was the conductor's 2ooth peal rung for the Midland Counties Association, the number of changes being specially compiled for this occasion.


## LONDON.

On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifiy-tiw Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Holloway, N.,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-Part.

 Robert W. Green ... ... 3 *Walter Pateman ... ... 7 Joseph Barry ... ... ... 4 †Henry C. Stubbs ... ... Tenor

Conducted by Henry J. Ranzetta.

* First peal inside. + First peal. First peal as conductor. Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter to the ringer of the $5^{\text {th }}$. Quickest peal on the bells.


## EASTMEON, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Josiah D. Harris ... ...T Treble Charles Edwards ... ... 2 Joserf Waghorn ... ... 3 Arthur Stubbington Conducted by George Williams.
This, with the peal at North Stoneham, was arranged for Mr. J. Waghorn, of Tottenham.

## HORNCHURCH, ESSEX

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Mimtes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A IPEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor $19 \frac{7}{3}$ cwt.
 Composed by Arthcr Knights, and
Conducted by Ernest Pye.

ROMFORD, ESSEX
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Ediward,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

## Tenor 17 cwt.

| Treble | Reuben Sanders |
| :---: | :---: |
| J. Armiger Trollope ... 2 | Harry F. Dawkins |
| Isabc G. Shade | Ernest Pye |
| William Pye |  |

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by William Pre.
Rung to celebrate the 1oth anniversary of the long peal of London.

## BRADPOLE, DORSET.

THE SAIISBURI DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of the Holy Trinity,
a PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Tivelve-Part.
Thomas Page ... ... ...Tieble
Louis W. Wiffen... ... 2
*Charles H. Jenniags ... 3
*Willima A. Painter ... + Conducted by
First peal with a bob bell
SUNBURY, MIDDLESEX
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRÉ TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Parker's Tivelve-Part.
Tenor 13 cwt . o qr. 9 lbs .
Johy Benger ... ... ... 5
Charles B. Hurst... ... 6
T. Hervey Beams ... ... 7
W. S. B. Northover ...Tenor

Hervey Beams.

Tenor $14 \frac{3}{9}$ cwt.
William C. Parker ... ...Treble Harry Walter ... ... ... 2 Thomas Smith ......$\quad$... 3 John H. B. Hesse ... ... 4

Conducted by
Uilliam Henley ... ... 5
John H. Preston... ... 6
Willtam Welling.. .7
William Warne ... ...Tenor . Welling.
The band wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Warne and daughter for their kind hospitality after the peal.

## RUSPER, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in I wo Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH GOURT bob MAJJR, 5024 Ghanges;

## Tenor 14 cwt .

| "Heyry J. Dewey | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | †George F. Hoad ... | ... | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oliver Sippetts | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Francis T. Hoad, Junr.... | 6 | Oliver Sippetts Albert Harmay

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Fredk. W. Rice.
*First peal of Major. + Iooth peal. First peal in the method on the bells.

## BRISTOL

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. NICHOLAS GUILD.
On Tuesiay, May 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 Ghanges;

Washbrook's Irregular Tex-Part. Tenor 36 cwt . Albert Stowell... ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ Henry Howell ... ... 5

Fred G. May ... ... ... 2 Frederick W. Wade Chislees Perry 'William White...

Frederick W. Wade...
Isaac Long
Alfred E. Reeves... ....Tenor
Conducted by Fred G. May.
Rung after meeting short for Treble Ten.

BOLTON, NEAR BRADFORD, YORIS. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION..
On Tuestay, May 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
J. J. Parker's Six-Part. Tenor is civt.

| John B. Jackson | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | John Paliframan | .. | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Firth Hopwood | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Wilitam B. Smith... | $\ldots$ | 6 |

Berval E. Howe...$\quad$... 3 Ernest Morris ${ }^{\text {.... }}$... 7
Arthur Gill ... ... ... 4 Robert W. Jennison ...Temor Conducted by Ernest Morris.
The conductor hai!s from St. Margarets, Leicester, and wishes to thank the ringers for kindly arranging this peal, and the peal of Bob Major at Keighley on May roth.

## CRAYFORD, IENT.

THE KENT COUNTX ASSOCIATION.
On Thwrsday, May 15, 1913, in Two Howrs and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Padlinus,
a PEAL OF Stedman trifles, 5040 Ghanges;
Haley's Variation.
*William Floyd
Fredk. W. Richardson
Fedr. . Richardson ... 2
George Povey ... ... ... 3

aliam J. Jefries ... 4 Reginald Brough ... ...Teror
Conducted by Edwin Barnett, Senr.

* First peal of Stedman. Rung on the 19th birthday of R. Bronyh.


## STONE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael,

## A fEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Taylor's Six-Part.
Tenor i2 cwt.
"F. Chell, Junr. ... ...Treble
T. Chell ... ... ... ... 2
S.

- E. Churton $\cdots \cdots \begin{array}{llll} & \cdots & \cdots & 3 \\ \text { P. Preston }\end{array}$

* First peal.

CRANLEIGH, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, May 17, 1913, in Threc Hours and Ton Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicolas,
a Peal of stedman triples, 5040 changes; Brooks' Variation.
Robert Whittington ...Treble - WVor ig civt., in E. Alfred H. Pulling ... ... 2 Bernard Clark ... ... ... 3 Cbarles Hark... - Villian Devyar

Cbarles Hazelden
Conducted by
Hexry L. Garfath

* Villiam Charman ...
* First peal of Stedman. Rung on the eve of the Trinity Festivat also as a birthday compliment to Mrs. H. L. Garfath


## FROME

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Johy,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.
Isaac B. Holmyard ... ...Treble
Jesse Francis
Frederick Speed $\ldots .$.
Charles Raison ... ... 4

Tenor 36 cwt . Arthur K. Harrison Gilbert H. Harding ... G - Samuel J. Hector... ... 7 $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { - William Flower ... } \\ \text {-Henry G. Scammell }\end{array}\right\}$ Teroy H. Harding

Conducted by G. H. Harding

* First peal. Quickest peal on the bells. Rung for the Festivals of Whitsuntide and Holy Trinity. Messrs. J. Francis and C. Raison were elected members of the above Association previous to starting the peal. The ringers desire to record their warmest thanks to Mr. A. M. G. Daniel (member of the Frome band), who so kindly provided them with a welcome tea at his residence after the peal. Thanks. are also due to Mr . W. Bishop and his brother ringers for having made all necessary preparations.


## TONBRIDGE, KENT.

 THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.ron Satnvday, May 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Thurstans' Four-Part.

Tenor 21 cwt.

| ES | veble | William Steed |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| M | . 2 | Joseph Miln |  |


| Herbert Markwell | ... | 2 | Joseph Milner | .. | ... | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Wiliam J. Wolfe... | .. | 3 | Keith Hart |  |  |  |

George H. Stonestreet 4 Sidney C. Corke ... .... Tehor Conducted by Keith Hart.

* First peal of Stedman and rung at the first attempt.

KENDAL, WESTMORLAND.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Furness and Lake District Branch.)
.On Saturday, May 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes, At the Parish Church,
a PEal dF GRandsire triples, 5040 changes I Holt's Ten-Part. Tenor $25 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$. Alfred Newton ... ...Treble
 Gordon Whittam $\quad . .$. Thomas F. Hevertson ... 4 William Salmon ... .... Tehor Conducted by William Robinson.

* First peal. This peal was arranged for Mr. T. King, from Messrs. John Warner \& Sons, of London, who are putting in new bells and steel frame at Dalton-in-Furness.


## SALLE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, May 18, 1913, in Tivee Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
a PEAL OF Grandsire triples, 5040 Changes:
Carter's Twelve-Part, Tenor i8 cwt., in E. Frederick W. MiddeletonTreble $\mid$ Frederick J. Howchin ... 5 George S. Soame George Howchin John Moy

Con … ... 4
Conducted by Frederick J. Howchin.
This peal was rung on Trinity Sunday, and is the first peal of Triples on the bells. Also the fiftietl peal by G. H. Cross.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, May 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A Peal of treble bob minor, 5040 changes;
Being 720 each of Cambridye and Norwich Surprise, Burton, College Exercise, Woodbine, Oxford and London Treble Bob.

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\text { Tenor } 13 \text { cwt. }
$$

George Kemp Edward Youngs William Rose

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| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |

Conducted by Leonard Last.
Rung as a farewell peal to the conductor, who has since left for London.

## MALDON, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
(The Maldon and District Goild.)
On IWedmesday, May 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Being 720 each College Exercise, New London Pleasure, Norwich
Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford.
benezer W. Finch. Tenor I3 cwt.
Ebenezer W. Finch... ...Treble TValter Nice ... ... 4
Harold Finch $\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Harold Finch } . . . & \ldots & \ldots & 2 & \text { Horace J. Mansfield } & \text {... } & 4 \\ \text { John D. Buckingham }\end{array}$ john D. Buckingham ... 3 Fred Chalk ... ... ...Temor

Conducted by Horace J. Mansfield.

* First peal of Treble Bob Minor.


## GILLINGHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob, and one 720 of Oxford Bob Minor. Tenor in ${ }^{3}$ cwt.
*Charles J. Ellis ... ...Tveble Cpl. J. Bennett, R.M.L.I. 4 Lce-Sgt. Holden, R.M.L.I. 2 W.A. Cooke (W.O.), R.N. 5 Alfred H. Winch ... ... 3 | William J. Walker ...Tenor Conducted by Frederick A. Holden.

* First peal of Minor. Rung as a birthclay compliment to Mrs. W. J. Walker. C. J. Ellis and A. H. Winch, for whom the peal was arranged, hail from Harwich and Leatherhead respectively.


## ABBOTT LEIGH, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

> At the Parish Сhurch,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

A. T. Atherton ... ...Treble Lewis Moore

Conducted by G. H. Gale.

* First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells.

GORLESTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Or Monday, May 12, 1913, in Theee Hours aud Five Minutes,
At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently.
 Frederick Kilborn...$\quad 3$ | Villiay Lee ... ... .... Tenor Conducted by Denison Hayivard.
F. Kilborn, who hails from Desborough, Market Harboro,' for whom this peal was arranged, was elected a member previous to starting. * First peal.

## STAPLEFORD, CAMBS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Tẅo Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrelv,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Kient and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
Edmund Webb... ... ...Treble Eraest G. Hibeens ... 4
*Henry Badcock ... ... 2 Joseph Page .. ... ... 5
L. George Mallion ... 3 Basil D. Bettress ...Tenor

Conducted by A. D. Butiress.

* First peal in seven methods away from the treble. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells.


## ICKLETON, CAMBS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Hours and One-and-a-half Mimutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

## a PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford 「reble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
Edmund Webb ......$\quad$...Treble $\mid$ Ernest G. Hibbens ... 4
 L. George Mallion...

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\cdots & 2 \\
\cdots & 3
\end{array}
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Easil D. Buttress … ...Tenor Conclucted by B. D. Iiuturess.
First peal in seven methods and also the quickest peal on the bells. Ringers of the treble, $5^{\text {th }}$ and 6 th belong to Fulbourn, 3 rd and $4^{\text {th }}$ from Fen Ditton, 2nd to Ickleton. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells.

## UBLEY, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND TVELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Church of St. Bartholomew,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores of Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandsire. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.


## ALLESLEY, WARWICKSHIRE. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Tuesday, May 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720 's, each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt . *John Taylor ... ... ...Treble *Robert Green... ... ... 4 Adolphus Roberts... ... 2 †George H. Kettle ... 5 *Harry Hastings ... ... 3 Joseph H. W. White ...Tenor Conducted by Joseph H. W. White.

* First peal of Minor. $\dagger$ First peal of Minor with a bob bell. The ringers of the second and tenor belong to the Stoke Society, Coventry, and the others are members of the local band.

WOODFORD, NORTHANTS
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Tuestay, May 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Woodbine, Kent, and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

| Walter Perkins... | $\ldots$ | ... Treble | Edward J. Chapman | .. | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Miss Evelvn Steel | .. | $\ldots$. | 2 | Alfred H. Martin | .. |
| 5 |  |  |  |  |  |
| William Jacques | $\ldots$. | .. | 3 | James Houghton ... | ...$T e n o r$ | Conducted by James Houghton.

First peal in seven methods on the bells and first peal in seven methods runs in the county by a lady ringer.

PETTISTREE, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesduy, May 1.t, 1913, in Two Howrs and Thirty-seven Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES

Being seven 720's called differently.


MALINSLEE, SHROPSHIRE. THE SALOP GUILD
On Thursday, May 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of Leonard,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Being $4^{2}$ Six-Scores.

* Edward Woodbine ... ...Treble Edward he...Treble Charles H Watts
Charles H. Watts... ... 2 Albert Woodit
*John Garbett ... ... ... 3 | Walter Williams.... .... 5 ...
Conducted by Charles H . Watts.

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## TONG, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, May 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. James,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of London Scholars' Pleasure, City Delight, Arnold's Victory, College Pleasure, Duke of York, Violet and Oxford. Tenor 12 cwt.
George Bolland

| ... | ...Treble |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | ... | 2 |

Samuel Oddy
...
... ... 3 Rev. R. P. Farrow ...Tenom
Conclucted by Edward Oddy.

* First peal as conductor.

WHITCHURCH, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Satwday, May 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being seven 720 's each called differently. Tenor 15 cwt .
Benjamin Thorp... ... ...Tyeble Frank J. Bailey
Clarence O. Hobbs... ... 2 John W. Jones
William B. Bies ......$\quad 3 \quad 3 \quad$ Sidney Dawe ......
Conducted by William B. Biss.
First peal in the method as conductor and rung. as a birthday com pliment to Fred Chamberlain, conductor of the Cardiff band. The ringers take this opportunity to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells.

## SEALE, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, May 17, 1913, in Three Hours,

At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 College Single, and two 720 's each of Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford, Single Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt .
*IVilliam G. Elkins ...Treble Alfred J. Chuter...
Charles Edwards ... ... 2 Hubert Chaffey ... ... 5 $\dagger$ J. Mann ... ... ... ... 3 Alfred J. Croucher ... Tenor Conducted by Hubert Chaffey.
*First peal of Minor. $\dagger$ First peal in more than one methoci. Rung in honour of the Trinity.

## BOBBING, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, May 17, 1913, in Two Hows and Thirty-eight Minutes. At the Church 0: St. Bartholomew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury
Pleasure, College Single, Fient Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
*Fredrick Hollands... ...Treble Thomas Jull
William H. B. Wilkins 20 William J. Walker
William T. Hyland ... 3 | William Nye ... ...
Conducted by William H. B. Williams.
*First peal and first attempt. F. Hollands is one of the local band.

CHIGWELL ROW, ESSEX
THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF 8 URPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Ipswich, Beverley, Lincoln, London, Wells, York and Durham. The two former are in Class IIL., the rest Class IV. Tenor 15 cwt .
George F. Margetson ...Tyeble William H. Theobald... 4 George A. Black ... ... 2 William Miller ... ... 5 Harry Torble ...... Conducted by William Mileer.

BROMHAM, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Owen, A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Single Oxford and Plain Bob.

Tenor ${ }^{2} 3 \mathrm{cwt}$.
Miss Evelyn Steel... ...Treble Harry Tysoe ... ... ... 4
Alfred Martin... ... ... 2 John W. Barker ... ... 5 Walter Perkins ... ... 3 Charles W. Clarke ...Tchor Conducted by C. W. Clarke.

## FULMER, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. James,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being a 720 called seven different ways.
Tenor $7 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Kenner G. Hawkins ...Treble |*Frederick Spring ... ... 4 +William Walden ..... .12 John Walden ......
George H. Gutteridge 3 | Alfred Bateman ... ...Tenor Conducted by G. H. Gutteridge.
*First peal. † First peal of Minor. The Rector timed the ringing and afterwards congratulated the ringers on their success..

## DEAL, KENT,

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Thiriy-six Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Leonard,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Single, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob, and four 720 's of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. *Ernest Kemp … ... ...Treble $\mid$ "John Trinder ... Lce.-Sergt. F. A. Holden 2 *Louis Ladd ... ... ... 5 Ernest W. Verrier ... 3 Henry C. Castle... ...Teroy Conducted by Frederick A. Holden.

- First peal.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

LEICESTER.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (The St. Johw's Society.)
On Monday, May 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At 4, Keythorpe Street,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor size $1_{5}$, in C.
Edgar Valiance
... I-2 15 , in C.

ent H. Edward Norman ... 7-8
Composed by W. Willson and Conducted E. M. Atrins. Witness: Miss Hilda Willson.
First peal of Royal by ringers of $\mathrm{I}-2,7-8$, and $9-10$, also the first peal of Royal rung on handbells in the county of Leicester.

## LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes, In the Belfry of St. Johi the Divine,

## A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor Size I5, in C.
Edgar Yallance i-2 William Willsos $\quad . .$. T. Hf:Mry Hardy ... ... 9-10

Composed and Conducted by William Wilisox. Umpire: Sydney Shelton.

GUILDFORD, SURREY
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, May 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Mimutes, At the Rfsidence of A. H. Pulelng,
a Peal of stedman caters, 5041 Chances;



Henry l. Garfath $\cdots$... $9-10$
Cumposed by F. A. Holden, and Conducted by Alpred H. Pulling.

Withess: Mrs. Puring.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Garfath, mother of H. L. Garfath. This was A. H. I'ulling's zooth peal as conductor.

## CAMBRIDGE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, May 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Seven Minutes,

## At Pembroke College,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

 Composed by Yorx Greex, and Conducted by William D. James.

- First peal of Major.

BRADFORD, YORKS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(OFFICERS' PEAL.)
On Thursday, May 15, 1913, in Two Hours aud Forty-four Minutes,
In the Beifry of the Parish Churci,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

| Joseph |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Percy |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Braadley... | $\ldots$ | .. | $1-2$ | James Cotterele | .. | .. | $5-6$ |

Percy J. Johnson ... ... 3-4 | Thomas B. Kendall... ... 7 - 8
Composed by H. J. Tucker, and
Conducted by Percy J. Johnsos.
Attested by Joseph H. Hardcastle.
This is the first handbell peal in the City of Bradford ; also the first peal on handbells by four officers of the Association and the first peal on handbells by the ringer of $7-8$.

## ALL CONDUCTED PEAL. LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, May 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,
At izg, Brusswick Street, Haggerston, N.E.,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor size II, in Eflat.
J. Armiger Trollope . $1-2$ Arthur F. Shepaerd ... ... 5-6 William Shepherd ... $. . . \quad 3-\mathrm{t}$ Alfred W. Grimes ...... ist quarter Composed by J. R. Pritchard, Conducted by Alfred W. Grimes. $\begin{aligned} & \text { 2nd } \\ & \text { 3rd } \\ & \text { 2d }\end{aligned}, \quad \# \quad$ J. Armigfr Trollope, $\quad \# \quad$ Arthur F. Shepherd.
 Limpire: E. E. Grimes.
This is the first time a performance of this kind has been accomplished.

## ST. NEOTS, HUNTS

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
At "Llankock," Avenue Road,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;
Stdeey Peck ... ... ... 1 - $=$ George D. Colema. ... ... 5 -6

Composed by J. W. Waŝhbrook, and
Conducted by Sydxey J. Coleman.
Umpire: C. Rollings.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the umpire and conductor.

## A FALSE PEAL.

Mr. Stedman H. Symonds writes: "I have to apologise to the band that took part in the peal of Kent Tyeble Bob Major rung at Walter Belchamp, on Saturday, October 12th, 1912, as the 5184 by J. J. Brierley is false. For calling the same I am very sorry."

## CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The monthly meeting of the Crewe branch was held on Saturday week at Barthomley, about 20 members being present from seven different towers. linging was commenced about 4 p.m., and after touches of Grandsire Triples and Kent Treble Bob had been rung, the members adjourned to tea, which had been kindly provided by the Rector (the Re?. G. W. Skene). Afterwards, the usual business meeting took place, the Rector being supported by the Rev. A. T. Beeston (hon. secretary of the Guild), who made this his official visit. Subsequently, the ringers again adjourned to the tower for touches of Stedman, etc.

# ANALYSIS OF PEALS RUNG DURING THE 

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r 14,031 and 19,735 both o

## OTHER INTERESTING STATISTIOS

The 93 peals rung by independent societies were thus distributed, viz. Breconshire, 1; Cambridgeshire, 4; Essex, 3; Glamorganshire, 3; Glou cestershire, 16; Hertfordshire, 1; Kent, 1; Lancashire, 2; Leicestershire, 3; Middlesex, 8; Norfoik, 1; Northamptonshire, 9 ; Staffordshire, 13; Suffolk, 2; Surrey, 4; Sussex, 2; Warwickshire, 1; Wiltshire, 1; Worcestershire, 1; Yorkshire, 17.
The 283 peals of Treble Bob were rung as follows: In the Kent Varia tion, Maximus 11, Royal 16, Major 206; in the Oxford Variation, Maxi mus 1, Royal 1, Major 48.

The 352 peals of Grandsire Triples may be sub-divided as follows: Holt's Original, 39; Holt's 10-part and variations, 79; Holt's 6-part, 4; Parker's 1-part, 5; Parker's 5-part, 2; Parker's 6-part, 21; Parker's 12-part, 90; others peals by. Mr. J. J. Parker, 4; Carter's 12-part and variations, 12; other peals by Mr. J. Carter, 8; Taylor's peals, 25; Hollis' 5-part, 9; Rev. G. D. P. Davies' peals, 10; Vicar's peals, 6; Rev. E. B. James' peals, 4 ; Bruerton's 12 -part peals, 4 ; Aspinwall's peals, 3; Lindoff's peals, 3; Moorhouse's peals, 2; Thurstans' peals, 2; Matthews' peals, 2; Biddlestone's peals, 2 ; Whittle's peals, 2 ; other peals (including 4 unnamed), 14.

The 217 peals in Plain Methods comprise: Bob Maximus, 3; Bob Royal, 23; Bob Major, 175; Canterbury Pleasure Major, 1; Oxford Bob Major, 1; St. Clement's Bob Major, 1 ; Oxford Bob Triples, 10 ; Plain Boib Triples, 2; Union Triples, 1

The 90 peals of Doubles are shown in the following statement:-

Association.

Bath and Wells Central Northants Chester Diocesan Guild
Devonshire Guild
Ely Diocesan Guild
Gloucester and Bristol
Hereford Diocesan
Lincoln Diocesan
Llandaff Diovesan
Midland Counties
Norwich Diocesan
Oxford Diocesan
Stlislury Diocesan
Soc, for Archd. of Stafford
Sussex County
Warwickshire Guild
Worcester and Districts
Independent Societies


The 337 peals of Stedman comprised: Thurstans' one-part, 4; Thurstans' 4-part and variations, 272; Washbrook's peals, 22 ; Sir A. P. Heywood's peals, 13; Carter's peals, 14 ; Rev. E. Bulwer's peals, 3 ; Lindoff's peals, 3; Rcv. C. D. P. Davies' peals, 3; Dr. Carpenter's peals, 2; J. J. Parker's peal, 1.

THE YEAR'S RECORD PEALS.
The greatest number of changes in one peal was 19,378 of SLedman

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Caturs, rung on handbells by members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild in 9 hrs. 32 mins. This peal broke a record by the same band a fow months previously of 14,031 changes in the same method. A peal on tower bells of 15,264 changes of Bristol Surprise, rung at Hornchurch, Fssex, on the 27th of May by members of the Middlesex County Association, also creates a new record, the previous record in this method being a peal of 12,160 changes rung at Knebworth, Herts, on the 3rd of April, by members of the ITertfordshirc County Association. $\Lambda$ performance in 14 m athods of Ninor, consisting of eight I'roblo Bob, three Detigit, and thee Surpris Mothods, lby members of the Norwich Dis, cesfir $\Lambda$ ssociation, reached a totirl of 10,080 changes. Other long peais
consistesi of 8896,8099 (hand bellis), $7280,7200,7000,6368,6240$ and 6160 ehanges respectively. Under 6000 changes thane wero 2316 peals rung. Tho number of peats mung on church bells was 2021 ; on handbells, 308 , making a total of 2329 peals.
'The peals rung in 1912 were 590 morg than in 1911, and create an extraoklinary record, being ats increase for the year of nearly 34 per Fubruary, 161 ; Mirch, 144 : April 173 . May 184 , viz.: January, 180, Furuary, 161; March, 144 ; April, 173; May, 184; June, 183; July, 136; August, 182; Soptember, 220; October, 210; November, 258; December, 298.

> WTIA' TIC LADIES DID.

Twenty ladies havo taken part in 109 successful peale during the year 1.812, 火iz: Miss Eflith. R. Burnes rang in one peal of Grandsire Triples for the ('lester Diocesan Guild. Miss Eva N. Belcher rang in the ladies' peal of Grandsire Triples at Cubitt Town, I’oplar. Miss Clara Beasley rang in the ladies' pal of Grandsire Triples. Miss Elsie L. Bennett rang in 27 peals on handbells. For the Winchester Diocesan Guid she rang nine peals as follows: Grandsiro Caters, 1; Stedman Caters, 1 ; Bob Royal, 1; Bob Major, 5; Crandsire Triples, 1 . For the Kent County Associalion she rang 14 penls, as follows: Grandsire Caters, 2 ; Stedman

Triples, 1. For the All Saints' Society, Fulham, she rang three peals, Grandsire Caters, 1; Bob Koyal, 2; and for the Royal Cumberland Youths, one peal of Bob Major. Miss Mary Chillingworth rang in four peals of Minor for the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Miss Nellie Gillingham rang in three peals; one of Bob Major for the Bath and Wells Association, one of Grandsire 'Triples for the Chester Diocesan Guild, and also in tino ladies' peal at Cubrtt 'I'own. Miss E. M. Johnson rang in two peals of Grandsire Doubles, and Misa Ruth Johnson rang in one peal of Grandsire Doubles, on handbells, for the Worcester and Districts As sociation, their ages being 12 and 10 respectively. Miss Mary Jukes rang in three peals; one of Eob Major for the Bath and Wells Association, one of Minor for the Norwich Diocesan Association, and also in the ladies peal of Grandsire Triples at Cubitt Town. Miss Sarah Pigott y:ang seven peals. For the Worcester and Districts Association, Oxford Bob Major, 1; Oxford Bob Triples, 2; Grandsire Triples and Bob Major, one each. She rang in one pead of Bob Major for the North Wales Association; and also in the ladies' peal at Cubitt Town. Miss Maud Pigott rang in two peals of Oxford Bob Triples for the Worcester and Districts Association. Miss Edith K. Parker has easily surpassed her wonderful record of previous years by ringing 35 peals, viz.:-For the Middlesex County Association: (1) On tower bells: London Surprise Major, 3, conducted 3; Bristol Surprise Major, 2; Cambridge Surprise Miajor, 1 ; New Cambridge Major, 4, conducted 3; Superlative Surprise NiLajor 5, conducted 3; Gloucester Surprise, 1, conducted 1; Norfolk Surprise Major, ${ }^{1 \text {; }}$; Double Norwich Major, Major, 1; Kent Treble Bob Major, 1; Grandsire Triples, 5, conducted 1. For the Royal Cumberland Youths: Cumberland Delight Major, 1, conducted 1 (the first and only peal yet rung) ; London Surprise Major, 1, condncted 1; Superlative Surprise Major, 1. For the Dewonshire Guild: Bob Major (on handbells), 1. For S. Martin's Guild, Birmingham: Stedman Cinques 1, conducted 1, For the Herts County Association: Superlative Surprise Major 1, conducted 1; Stodman Triples, 1, conducterl, 1; Grandsire Triples (hundbells), 1. Ladies' peal at Cubitt Town, Poplar: Grandsire Triples, 1, conducted 1; toial, 35, conducted 17. Miss W. Sanders rang in two peals of Bob Major, on handbells, for the MidIand Counties Association. Miss C. E. Sparshott rang in two peals; one of Grandsire Caters for the Salisbury Guidd, and one of Grandsire Triples for the Winchester Guild. Miss Evelyn Steel rang in four peals, viz., three for the Bedfordshire Association; Kent Treble Bob Major, 1; Minor, 2, and also in the ladies' peal of Grandsire Triples. Miss Kate Thatcher rang in a peal of Bob Major for the Worcester and Districts Association. Miss May Thompson rang in a peal of Grandsire Triples for the Midland Counties Association. Miss Lilian Willson rang in six peals. For the Midland Counties Association, two peals of Kent Treble Bob Major, three of Grandsire Triples, and one of Double Norwich. She also took part in the ladies' pea!. Miss Hilda Willson rang in one peal of Grandsire Triples, and one of Double Norwich for the Midland Counties Association. Brs. Whittington rang in three peals of Grandsire Triples, viz., two for the Winchester Guild, and one for the Sussex County Association. THE CONDUCTORS.
The sonductors of five peals and upwards were: A. H. Pulling 92, of which 63 were on handibells; W. Pye, 52 ( 7 on handbells) ; F. Bennett, 47 ( 6 on handbells); B. Prewett, 35 ( 2 on handbells); G. Williams, 34 . Keith Hart and W. Sheplerd, 33 (27 on handbells); C. F. Bailer, 26 ( 8 on bandbells) ; J. Motts, 25 ; Clement Glenn, 24 ( 15 on handbells); $F$. Borrett, 23 ; E. M. Atkins, 22 (14 on handbells); G. F. Williams and G. N. Price, 19 (8 on handbells) ; G. R. Newton and E. H. Stoneley, 18; C. R. Liller, E. H. Lindup, R. Matthews, Miss E. K. Parker (1 on handbolls), IV. Short. 17; F. G. Nay, J. Thomas ( 11 on handbells), C. W. Clarke, 16; G. H. Cross (11 on handbells), W. Steele, 15; J. E. Davis, F. C. Lambert, S. H. Symonds ( 4 on hạndbells), W. II. B. Wilkins, 14 ; W. D. James ( 4 on handbells), S. Proctor ( 4 on haudbells), Rev. H. S. T. Richardson ( 8 on handbells), 13 ; J. Goodman, junr., J. E. Groves, B. A. Kinghts, D. J. Nichols ( 5 on handbells), A. E. Moore (11 on handbells), 12; Rev. H. L. James ( 3 on handbells), J. W. Lake ( 6 on handbells), G. R. Pye (3 on handbells), J. Souter, A. P. Wakley (3 on handbells), J. W. Washbrook, 11; G. Cattermole, C. Edwards, T. Groombridge, sen., F. Manser, J. Potter, T. H. Taffender, C. A. Valentine, 10; A. Edwards (1 on handbells), W'. G. Ellis, T.'J. Elton. W. Fisher, W. Poston, G. E. Symonds (1 on handbells), 9; E. Barnett, semr., A. Coppock, F. W. Dixon. J. Hough, A. H. Ward ( 1 on handbells), W. Welling, W. S. Wise ( 4 on handbells), S. Wood, 8 ; W. H. Barber, G. D. Coleman ( 3 on handbells), F. Cook, C. I. Fowler, E. C. Gobey, A. Greenficld. Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, H. Knight, E. Lambert, G. Martin, IV. Rose, W. Willson, 7: WV. G. Crickmer, F. E. Dawe, G. Dent, J. B. Fenton, T. Fitzjolin, J. Flint, A. W. Grimes (3 on handbells), F. A. Holden ( 2 on handbells), P. J. Johnson ( 3 on handbells), W. H. Larrrence, C. Layton, A. Mackears, E. W. Menday, A. T. Morris (5 on handells), E. Moris, J. Pigott, F. Reader, J. Ridyard, A. Roberts, W. Taylor, S. Thomas, W. E. Wilson, B. W. Witchell, A. Wright, 6; G. F. Alexander ( 3 on handbells), J. Armstwong, A. Bailey, E. G. Buesden, J. Carter, H. Chapman, A. J. Day, T. Faulkner, H. W. Foulger, J. Griffin. H. Hampson, J. Hemming, R. T. Hibbert, G. F. Hoad, M. Hobbs, W. Keeble, F. J. Levitt ( 5 on handbells), E. W. Marsh, F. J. Pageti, IF, Poppy, II. Stalham, W. Watts, Li. Whitbread, E. Whiting, G. Wightman, 5.
In addition to the above, 37 persons conducted 4 peals; 68 , three peals; 114, two peals, and 299, one peal. Two peals were rung with each
member of the band taking a part in the conducting; one peal was rung unconducted, and two peals were published without a conductor's name. Two ladies appear in the list of conductors; Miss Gillingham, who conducted a peal of Bob Major for the Bath and Wells Association, and Miss Parker,' whose peals as a conductor have already been dealt with. THE HANDBELLS PEALS.
The 308 peals on handbells were rung as follows: Bob Maximus, 1; Stedman Cinques, 5 ; Bob Royal, 15; Kent Treble Bob Royal, 3; Little Bob Royal, 1; Stedman Caters, 54 ; Grandsire Caters, 18; Bob Major, 73; Little Bob Major, 5; Kent Treble Bob Major, 26 ; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 3: Double Norwich Court Bob Major, 5 ; Stedman Triples, 39; Grandsire Triples, 37; peals in Minor Methods, 18; Doubles, 5; for the following Associations:-

Ancient Society of College Yonths
Cambridge University Guild 22 Devonshire Guild
Ely Diocesan Guild 1
27
Lissex Association
Hereford Diocesan Guild 7
7 1

Kent County Association ….......................................... 16
Lancashire Association
Lincoln Diocesan Guild
Middlesex County Association 11

Midland Counties Association 32

Central Northants Association 12
Norwich Diocesan Association 21
Royal Cumberland Youths
Society for the Archdeaconry of StaffordSurrey Association $\begin{array}{r}1 \\ 6 \\ \hline\end{array}$
Winchester Diocesan Guild 81
Worcester and Districts Association Yorkshire Association Independent Societies

> Total 308

The iotal number of peals, whether on tower bells or on handbells, rung year by year since 1881 to the present tire, is as follows
Number of Peals.


## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION

## THE PROPOSED GIFT OF A BELL TO CHELASFORD.

The thirty-fourth annual meeting of the Fosex Association was held at West Ham on Whitsun Monday, when 76 members attended from various parts of the county. Divine service was held in the Parish Church, the new special form of sorrice, approved of by the Bishop of the Diocese, being used for the first time. Prayers were said by the Rev. Canon' Pelly (Vicar of West Ham), and the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre (Vicar of Totham, and hon. secretary and treasurer of the Association) read the lesson. A very instructive address was given by the Rev. J. W. Eisdell, Vicar of Barking.

Tlie mecting was held in the Church Hall. Mr. C. H. Howard (Master) presided, supporled by the Vicar of Barking, the hon. sccretary, auditors, and district officers.-The report and balance sheet were unanimously adopted, and all the officers were re-clected.-Several new members were elected
In accordnnce with the notice given, Mr. H. F. Cooper (Chelmsford) proposed, and Mr. J. F. Penning (Saffron Walden) seconded, that the treble bell to the rew ring of twelve for Chelmsford Church be given by the Association out of the reserre fund. - Mr. E. W. Beckwith (Coggeshall) proposed, and Mr. D. Elliott (Coggeshall) seconded, as an amendment, that a vote of the members be taken by referendum. After considerable discussion, the amendment was put, and lost, and the resolution was carried.
The following alteration in Rule III was moved by the Master, seconded by Mr. Is. Mayes, and carricd, after the words "out of the county," to insort: "If a tower immediately adjacent to the county boundary wishes, upon application, to become affiliated with the Association; the bant of ringers of such tower may be admitted, with the approval of the neighbouring Association, and continue as members upon an annual payment of 1 s .
Jrarlow was selected for the next annual meeting,
Votes of thanks were passed to the preacher for his execllent address, to the Vicar of West Ham for uss of towers, and to the choir and orqanist for their assistance at the service.
Members afterwaris adjourned to the various towers, where arrangements had been made bv Mr. G. A. Black for the accommodation of those w:shing to avail themselves of some ringing.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

ANNUAL MEETING AT NEWCASTLE.

SPECIALLY REPORTED BY " THIT RINGING WORLD REPRESENTATIVE.
As recorded by a brief summary in our last issue, the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers met at Neweastle-on-Tyne on! Whit-Tuesday The business meeting took place at the Mining Institute, where the Lecture Theatre provided specially suitable accommodation. There were 49 members present, representing 27 associations, the proceedings being presided over by Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., the president. The affiliated associations unrepresented were: The Cumberland Youths; St Martin's Guild, Birmingham; Dudley and Districts Guild; Ely Diocesan; Gloncester and Bristol Diocesan; Hereford Diocesan; Liverpool Diocesan; Llandaff Diocesan; North Notts; Salop Archidiaconal; Staffs Archeleaconry; Truro Diocesan; and Warwickshire.

THE PUBLICATION OF TIIE MINUTES.
Some discussion took place upon the minutes of the last meeting, which were eventually signed after amendment, and the Hon. Secretary (the Rev. C. D. P. Davics) said that some criticism had been brought against the publication of the minutes to the effect that the minutes were five months late. He regarcled them as seven months early, be cause there was nothing in the rules to say that they should be publishod before the ensuing meeting. But they wero published beforehand for two or three reasons, first that the committees could get their instructions as to what they were to do; secondly, that if there was any little slip or inaccuracy in the minutes it should be in the power of any member to write and correct it, and so save a discussion like they had had that morning. He would be glad, therefore, if in future menbers would kindly call his attention to any inaccuracy when the minutes appeared in the ringing papers, so that it could be put right. WELSH DISESTABLISHMENT.
The FIon. Secretary said formal acknowledgments of the resolution passed by the Council al its meeting in London protesting against the Bill for tho Disestablishment of the Church in Wales, had been received from the Prime Minister, Mr. A. Bonar Law, and Lord Lansdowne.

## TIIE COUNGLL'S PUBLICATIONS.

The Hon Secretary presented the accounts. ILe said they starled with a balance in hand of $£ 71$ 12s. 6d. The receipts for the year were from affiliation fees, fifteen at 10 s , 6 oue at 7 s . $6 \mathrm{~d} .$, nine at 5 s , and fifteen at 2 s .6 d ., and one of 2 s . 6 d ., paid after the last mecting, amounting altogether to $£ 12$ 2s. 6 d ., and making to total of $£ 8315 \mathrm{~s}$. Te had pleasure in informing the Council that since the last meeting two new associations had become affiliated to the Council-the Dudley and District and the Peterborough (hear, hear). On the other hand, two
associations were in default-the Irish Association and the North Wales. associations were in clefault-the Irish Association and the North Wales.
The expenditure amcunted to $£ 6 \mathrm{ls}$. 6 d ., leaving a balance in hand of $£ 77 \mathrm{13} \mathrm{s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$. The Hon. Secretary added that he usually presented a statement of the sales of the Council's publications by their publishers, but this year, although he had made repeated application for the formation, he had been unable to get a statement from them. The publishers took up no end of their profits, in fact, it worked out at practically 7s. 6d. in the £. That was rather expensive for the Council, and in wondered whether the Council would hke to appoint an honorary
libran to do the work which the publishers now did. There was a gentleman who was prepared to undertake the work if the Council ap proved, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (hear, hear).
Mr. W. Bibby suggested when next the Council published a book the publication should be placed in the hands of the guild secretaries, because they could better get into touch with the ringers.
The Prosident said the only way that could be done was by the various associations purchasing the publications for redistribution or re-sale. It weuld be impossible to place any of their unsold publications in the lands of secretaries, because it would be impossible for the hon. secretary to have any knowledge of the number of publications in hand. He did not see how the various secretaries of the associations could be expected to be responsible for the money value of publications committed to their charge.

The Hon. Serretary said if the secretaries of associations took any copies, he felt very strongly they should buy them. Otherwise it would bo practically equivalent to having librarians in every county.
Mr. C. Todd said the Durham and Newcasile Association purchased a stock of publications, and they had found the system work very well. They paid for the books and sold them to tho members.
The Rev. A. T. Beeston asked if the hon. secretary knew the condition in whicle the stock was in the hands of the publishers. During tho last twelve months he had had occasion to write for copies of "Tegitimato Mincr Methods." In evcry case he found the stitches were rusty, so that the leaves were in danger of dropping out. If all the copics were in that condition, it seemed to him
to point to the necessity for "scrapping " these incomplete copies, so that they might have a new edition which wonld include the bolv work and the other mathods which had beon found out since the book was publiched- which he balieved was the intention in any now edition
Mr. J. Griffin, one of the auditors, having moved that the accoints be passed, Mr. G. P. Burton suggested that a portion of the balance
should be placed on deposit so that the Council might get the benefit of the bank interest.
The Rev. (i. F. Coleridge, who lad audited the accounts with Mr J. Griffin, seconded their adoption, and said they had found the acJ. Griffin, seconts most admirably kept, and everything in perfect order.

Mr. J. S. Pritchett moved that a sum of $£ 50$ should be placed on deposit at the bank.-Mr. R. Narborough seconded, and the motion was agreed to.-The balance sheet was then adopted.
Apologies for absence were received from the Revs. A. H. F. Boughey, T. J. O. Helmore, Canon Papillon, Maitland Kelly, and H. S. T. Richardson, Mr. A. B. Carpenter, and Messrs. C. E. Borrett, J. Carter, W. T. Cockerill. J. R. Sharman, H. W. Wilde, C. H. Hattersley, W. Rock Small, G. Williams, H. White, J. Whiting and J. Evans.

## THE HON. MEMBERS.

The Presidint said the retiring hon. members this year were the Rev. A. H. F. Bonghey, Mr. J. W. Parker, the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson and Mr. IV. S. Thompson. If they were re-elected it would fll up the whole of thei: hon. members' list, which was a thing they did not like to do, because it did not leave them a loophole in case an important member, who was a representative member, dropped out, and they desired to retain him on the Cuuncil. They had been in the habit of keeping one or two places open. The Standing Committee had had the matter umier their consideration, and in their opinion the Council should re-elect the first three-the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, Mr. Parker and the Rev. FI S. T. Richardson. Mr. Thompoon never attended the meetings, and was not a ringer. As most of the Council knew, he was a mathematician, and had been of great assistance to them in that direction. It was he who first proved that a peal of Grandsire Triples coukd not be obtained without singles. If in the future they had any problem for him to solve, he could do that just as well without being a membor of the Council, but in being an hon. member he was filling a place that they might want for somebody else. The Standing Committec reoummendad that he be not re-elected, and although he bad been an holl. member for years, he would not take it in the least as a slight--On the motion of the Rer. W. W. C. Baker, seconded by
Mr. F. I3. Jompkins, the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, Mr. J. W. Parker and the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson were re-elected.

Thero were nine new members elected to the Council this year, but only the threc following were present to be introduced to the President; Mr. C. Todd (Durham and Newcastle), Mr. F. W. Hopgood (Oxford), and Mr. R. Narborough (Peterborough and District).

## PEAT COLLECTION COMMITTEE.

The Council then proceded to receive and discuss the reports of the minittees. The first was that of the Peal Collection ComThe Hon. Sccretary said he believed he was the only mernbar of that committea present, and the had been relying upon Mr. Richardson, who, he regretted to say, had had to go away that morning, retary) was sory to say he kuew very little about the matter. Ii
retary) was sory to say he kuew very little about the matter. It nctically nothing to do with it for the last four or five years.
The Presiclent sald the Council would bear in mind that it was Mr. lichardson, who, a white ago, moved that all these peals should be proper thing-and if he remembered aright, Mr. proved-a rery proper thing-and if he remembered aright, ind.

The delay was probably due to the extra amount of time redo prove all the paals.
Jr. F. II. Lewis said the proving had been going on. The peals proved twica at least, if not three times, and the ralue of s being shown in the fact that somo peals had slipped through
rover's hands as correct, but had been found by a second prover
false. Mr. Richardson had told him he was Iearly ready for Part If the Council would gire instructions, Part I
The IIon. Socretary said if that were done the fon that would be Socretary said if that were done the $£ 27$ that would be The Rer. H. Law James said he would propose they should not publish This suggestion was agreed to.

## JITERATURE CONDITTEE'S ABSENT REPORT

The only representative of the Literature Committee present was Me Mev. A. Cockey, who said he had heard absolutely nothing
rom Mr. Dains, who hoped to do the work, and he had not seen Mr.
'apillon. When Mr. Kelly was on the committee the year before last, Papillon. When Mr. Kelly was on the committee the year before last, was unbble to get any communication from Mr. Daniell, neither The Hon speaker heard from him this year
banicll and drew his attention to what we said ago he wrote to Mr . Danicll and drew his attention to what he said last year to the effect it bafore that meeting he hoped a draft report would be available and sent to him as secretary. He reminded him of that, but he had ogether a catalogue of ringing literature, and he could not help Colng that the delay was getting serious. From the beginning of the onncil there was a Literaturo Committee-it was first a one-man comears, and reported that he was getting on. Then, unfortunately, he signed from the commitlee, and seemed to have been lost from the hite. Now, Nir. Daniell had taken up the work. He did not take and

Mr. Strange's work, because Mr. Strange left no materials behind. He (the speaker) believed Mr. Daniell had done a good deal of work, but at the same time the Council had not seen a single line in black and. white. It was really about time they did begin to see something.
Mr. A. T. King said the hon. secretary had overlooked the fact that many years ago there was some portion of Mr. Strange's work published. As to Mr. Daniell's work, he might say there was something typewritten. He had read it, and it was exceedingly interesting. That was two year's ago, but where it was now, and why it was not forthcoming, he could not say.

Mr. Burton asked if they could not have an interim report.
The Rev. H. A. Cockey said if the committee was continued, what had been done ought to be laid before the Council. It would be far better to have some part of it, but he had never seen anything at all.
The Rev. F. Ll. Edwards suggested that someone should be asked to undertake to interview Mr. Daniell, and, with him, get matters together. A personal interview might have some result.
The President said there seemed some sort of malign influence hovering over this committee. As to Mr. Strange, not only had he left nothing behind, but he had carried away some lists of his, one of them excecdingly valuable, by the late Mr. Ellacombe, which he wrote and wrote for, but could never get back.

THE LEGITIMATE METHODS.
The Rer. H. Law James reported, on behalf of the Legitimate Methods Committee, that he had been through the collection of Major methods, accepted by the Council two years ago, and had made his selection of what he thought ought to be published, and had sent it on to Mr. Dains, who, he understood, had been through them and sent them on to Mr. Trollope, who was now making his selection. It was a big business to go through all these methods and pick out those that ought to be published, because the total number was too great to pubish them all, and a large number were of very little interest. He thought they were getting on as fast as they could expect, and he hoped they would be ready to publish next year.
The Rev. A. T. Beeston again raised the question of "scrapping" theremaining copies of the "Legitimate Minor Methods" so that a more complete edition might be issued.
Mr. A. T. King said if it were necessary that they should have a new publication let it be as complete as possible. In the first instance, all the methods should be named. Some day or another, perhaps next year, they could discuss the nomenclature of these methods, for names. were repeated over and over again. He could go into details and tell them how the Tulip and Primrose known to Mr. Bolland were not the Tulip and Primrose in the "Collection"; Lincoln in the "Collection" was not the Lincoln in the "Clavis"; and then there was College this and College that and College the other. He believed there were nine names with? College in them IIe thought they would have to go back into ancient history, and find the real names of these methods, to such works as the "Clavis," and "Annable's Note-Book." The trouble which the Analysis Committee had was in identifying the methods with the names. He did not think they should bs in a hurry to scrap their present "Collection" until they were ready with the material to provide a new and complete book.

## A USEFUL SUGGESTION.

Mr. J. W. Parker seconded the Rev. A. T. Beeston's proposal, on the ground that it was most unfair for the Council to charge members of the Exercise the full value for a book that was damaged. He thought the only thing to do was to publish a new edition. He would like to know if the committes had taken into consideration the advisability of publishing, when the next edition was issued, a colloction of Minor extents. They always had, of course, Snowdons raluable work "Rope Sight,' which gave them several 720's of Bob Minor, but that did not meet the requirements of the whole of the Minor methods. They must remember that there were a great number of six-bell conductors in varions parts of the country who were having a great difficulty in keeping a band together. They lost their men periodically, and the most they could achieve were plain methods; therefore, if the conductor was a good conductor, his only solace was to call different extents. If the next edition were to include these exteuts it would be rery raluable. He wouid also suggest that it should include spliced 720 's ; or, if not spliced 720 's, at leact a list of the methods that could be spliced together.
Aftor some further discussion, it was left to the librarimn to decide whether any of the books should, on account of their condition, be sold off at half-price, this amendment being carried in preference to the pro posal to scrap the present edition of "Legitimate Minor Methods."

On the motion of the Rer. C. E. Matthews, scoonded by the Rev. A. T. Beeston, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn was appointed hon. librarian, the resolution being carried amid applanse.
The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn thanked the Council for electing him to the office. He said he had always felt that the results of the work of so many members of the Council was really not taken full advantage of by the Exercise generally, and if any efforts of his could improve this state of affairs, he would be amply repaid. He suggested that it might be well to appoint one or two members of the Council to go throngh the stock with him, when he received it, to settle upon what they chould do.

The Revs. G. F. Coleridge and C. E. Matthews were appointed to act: with Mr. Jenkyn.
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## WELL-KNOWN MEN AT THE CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING.



Top Roz': Rev. A. T. Beeston (Chester Guild), G. Bolland (Yorkshire), Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Oxford), Sir A. P Heywood (Midland Counties, and President), Rev. G. F. Coleridge (Oxford), J. W. Taylor (Midland Counties), Keith Hart (Sussex). Middle Row: A. Hughes (College Youths), J. W. Parker, J. S. Pritchett, J. Griffin (Hon. Members), Rev. H. Law James (Lincoln), E. H. Lewis (Cambridge University). Bottom Row: B. Prewett (Hertfordshire), C. F Johnston (Surrey), Kev. E. W. Carpenter (Hon. Member), Rev. C. D. P. Davies (Hon. Sec.), Rev. H. A. Cocker (Hon. Member), A. T. King (Middlesex), H. Chapman (Lancs.

The Ringing World" was the only ringing paper represented at the Central Council meeting by a member of its own staff.

Although we have enlarged our issue this weck, our 20 pages have proved insufficient to accommodate the whole of the peals and reports sent in for publication, and some have unavoidably had to be held over.

The long peal attempt at Ashton-under-Lyne on Saturday was curtailed to a 6080 , as the conductor felt that the ringing was not satisfactory. Mr. Sam Wood is following an admirable ideal in declining to have anything but the best in a record peal.

We record quite a curiosity in a handbell peal this week. It was a peal of Bob Major rung at Haggerston, and each of the fout ringers conducted a quarter-peal, while each quarter was by a different composer. The peal was the outcome of a suggestion made some time ago, and, despite its novelty, it was well struck. Indeed, throughout the whole of the ringing, only some half-dozen words were spoken apart from the calling of the bobs.

## THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

## PROPOSED DIVISION INTO DISTRICTS.

The amual meeting of the Devonshire Guild was held on Whitsun Monday, at Torrington. There was a well-attended service in the Parish Church at noon, when the Rev. C. E. Burkitt gave an impressive address urging ringers to think of the seriousness of their office as church workers, and to attend the services after ringing.
Luncheon was served at the Old Inn, and votes of thanks were afterwards passed to the various clergy for placing their bells at the disposal of the ringers.
The meeting was held at the Town Hall. The Rev. Maitland Kelly
(President) presided, supported by the Revs. G. E. F. Molineux (hon. secrelary), H. L. Pigott, E. S. Powell, C. E. Burkett and E. V. Cox, and about 80 members. The report of the committee was presented by the secretary, and adopted. This showed that there are now 36 hands in union, with 380 performing and associate members, and 65 hon. members.
The Secretary cutlined a scheme whereby the county might be divided into districls, each haring its own administrative power. The idea was in try and get nore bands into the Guild, as suggested in "The Ringing Wor!d. As no notice of motion had been given no resolution was put, but the committee will consider it and bring forward a scheme for a future meeting.
The accounts, showing a balance in hand of $£ 57$ 2s. 3d., were adopted. HON. SECRETARY'S RESIGNATION.
The Rev. Maitland Kelly was proposed as president, but made the suggestion that the Guild should look out for a new one. He mentioned that he could not put the hands of the clock back, and now he felt that he was too old to conduct the meetings. However, the members did not agree that they should get a new president, and, as Mr. Shepherd said, as long as aI. Kelly was alive the Guild wanted him as their president. Mr. Kelly agread to accept office only on condition that a chairman was appointed, and he nominated the Rev. H. L. Pigott, who proceeded to conduct the business.
The Rev. G. E. F. Molineux having given notice that he intended to resign the office of hon. secretart, the Rev. E. S. Powell was unanjmously elected secretary.-Mr. Powell thanked the members, and said he wished them to know that at preseut he did not think the time opportune for the division of the county, previously suggested, as he believed Devon was in a different position to most other counties, but the time would come when the alteration could be made with advantage. He wanted the members to know his views on this matter before they elected him as secretary, as they would then know what to expect from him.
The Rev. G. E. F. Molineux was unanimously elected treasurer. The membership of the Guild haring increased, a new member on the Central Council-the Rev. E. S. Powell-was unanimously elected.-The place of the annual meeting for 1914 was fixed for Paignton.

The Rev. E. S. Powell moved that the conductors of all peals send the particulars to the secretary, together with the figures of the composition, if not previously published.-This was unanimously carried.

The Rev. Maitland Kelly proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. G. E. F. Molineux for the 14 years' strenuous work he had put in as secretary of the Guild. He had occupied the position longer than anyone previously.-This was carried with acclamation.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM. DEDICATION OF NEW BELLS AT ST. MARTIN'S.

Saturday week was a memorable day in the history of St. Martin's Guild, members and friends foregathering in the old Parish Church for the dedication of the new 2nd in the ring of twelve. The ceremony was performed by the Rector of Birmingham (Canon Willink), assisted by the Rev. -. Waldegrave, one of the curates.

The service, which was the special one for such oscasions, was fully choral, the ringing being leil by organ and choir. A number of ringers attended, and members of the regular congregation were also present.
Immediately before the Dedication proper, the choir gave an excellent rendering of Purcell's magnificent "Bell Anthem," which was much appreciated

The address was given by the Rector, who traced the history of bells and bell ringing from the very earliest times to the present day. He said he strongly believed in every man having a hobby, and of all the hobbies he had ever come in contact with, he thought bell ringing was, perlaps, the finest and best from every point of view. It not only had the necessary fascination, but it was a hobby that led to men associating with other men, which was always good, and it had also the supreme advantage of being identified with the worship of Almighty God. He went on to mention the almost staggering number of changes that could be performed on 8, 10 and 12 belis, and said that he had that morning figured out, without going into it with mathematical exactitude, that to ring all the changes possible on the peal of bells in their own tower, would, roughly, take forty-seven years and some odd months. He thanked the members of the Guild, and other subscribers, for the very generous gift they had made to the old church. It showed a splendid spirit, and he trusted the members present, and their successors all through the ages to come, would continue to exercise their splendid art on the bells, both for the services of the church, and their own amusement.
He had cansed a special entry to be made in the register of the church, to the effect that the new bell was the gift of the ringers, so that future generations might know what had been done by the ringers of 1913. He was very sorry that the bells were not rung on Sunday evenings (excepting the first Sunday in the month) as well as in the morning. The largest congregation of any place of worship in the city attended the evening service at the Parish Church, and he was indeed sorry that the only welcome they had from the tower was "that miserable chime" (the apparatus).
He threw out the suggestion, which he hoped they would think about, saying that he loved the full-throated melody of the bells, and would be delighted if arrangements could be made for them to be rung regularly for both the services.
After the service, ringing was indulged in for a short time, the new second being greatly admired.

The subscribers then adjourned to tea, which the Rector very kindly provided, and at which he presided. Mrs. Willink was also present, as were several lady ringers, who had arrived in Birmingham for the annual meeting of their Guild.

Alderman J. S. Pritchett, presiding Ringing Master, occupied the ice-chair, and the organist-Dr. Reynolds-was also of the company.
After tea, the Rector, in a very happy speech, again thanked the members for their gift, and said how grateful he was that he and the churchwardens had ibeen relieved of all responsibility in the matter, as they had embarked on a very large undertaking in having the church thoroughly re-pointed, from the ground to the top of the spire. This would cost considerably more than $£ 1,000$, the whole of which sum had yet to be raised.
He felt almost a "pride of parentage" over the new bell, the whole of the work having been done in Birmingham; indeed several of his ringers were in the employ of the firm who cast it, it was hung by ringers, and was to be paid for by ringers. The secretary was to be heartily congratulated on the success of the project, and for the expedition of business-like manner in which the work had been carried out. The first time he heard the bells he was struck by the volume of purity of their tone, and was quite sure that they now had a ring of twelve ranking among the finest in the land
Alderman Pritchett thanked the Rector for his hospitality, and the Hon. Secretary having also suitably responded, the remainder of the evening was spent in harmony.
The new bell, which weighs 6 cwt. 2 qrs., is hung on an iron headstock, and bears the following inscription:-
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SOUTH WEALD, ESSEX.-On April 6th, for afternoon service, at St. Peter's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire and Plain Bob, in 45 -mins.: W. Sheldon, junr., 1, C. Sheldon, senr., 2, E. Furbank 3, F. (Ottley 4, A. Rairibird (conductor) 5, G. Sharptin 6.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## JAMES BARHAM'S MEMORIAL TO BE RESTORED.

The annual meeting of the Kent Cornty Association was held as usual on Whitsun Monday. Each of the six districts, into which, for association purposes, the county is divided, is visited in turn; and, as was the case six years ago, so this year the committee again decided upon the ancient city of Rochester for its thirty-fourth annual gathering. More fortunate than many others in the matter of weather, as, for instance the county cricket eleven at Brighton, where not a ball was bowled the members attending the meeting enjoyed a tolerably fine day, only one slight shower falling between five and six in the evening. In the earlier part of the day members enjoyed touches in various methods on the Cathedral eight, and in the neighbouring towers open to them, viz. St. Margaret's, Rochester; St. Mary's, Chatham; Gillingham, Gravesend and Wouldham
The Central Committeo met in the Chapter Room of the Cathedral (by kind permission of the Dean and Chapter) at 2.30 p.m., when the Secretary presented the report of the sub-committee appointed to draw up rules for the administration of the recently started benevolent fund. It was decided to postpone all serious discussion on the subject to the November meeting. Perhaps the most interesting pieco of business was the decision to repair the monument of the famous old Kentish ringer James Barliam, in Leeds Chuichyard.

## A ROUSING SERMON.

At 4 p.m., the members attended the Cathedral evensong, at which the canticles were sung to the organist's (Mr. Luard Solby's) fine setting in $A$, and the anthem was Attwood's "Come, Holy Ghost." The service ended with the singing of the hymn, "Come, grasious Spirit, heavenly Dove," after which Canon Denham addressed the members from the pulpit, taking as his text, 1 Cor: $x, 31$, "Whether, therefore, ye eat or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." It was a rousing sermon, and calculated to impress on his hearers the importance and dignity of their work. To be addressed as "princes of the art," an expression the preacher used several times, must have surprised a good many of the members, and, perhaps, it may induce some to do their best to deserve the title. After speaking of the various ways in which the church bells may tell out the glory of God, the preacher went on to speak of the single bell being chimed for service and giving the same invitation as the series of changes on the eight in the Cathedral or Parish Church tower. "Don't despise the message of the single bell," he said, "it is the call to you to prayer and praise." He went on to speak of another single bell, which at one time sounded from the Church tower, and in some places still does so, the market or the factory bell, the call to duty, work and duty, in which we can, it we will, do all to the glory of God." And then, again, there was an other single bell, the dinner bell, called in some places the "taty bell," telling the housewife to make her final preparations for the mild-da meal, the call to home and social duties, the call to thank God for the sustenance necessary for the support of the body. 'We are coming back you see," he concluded, "to our text, "Whether ye eat or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.""

During the collection for the benevolent fund (amounting to $£ 14 s$. 2d.), the hymn, "Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost," was sung, a singularly appropriate selection, considering the object of the collection, $a_{11} d$ reminding one once more of St. Paul's grand description of Charity or Love in the special seconll lesson for Whitsun Monday. The Dean pronounced the Benediction.

## THE BUSINESS MEETING.

The tea, followed by the usual business meeting, was held in the Victoria Hall, Star Hill. Messrs. Hopper provided an ample spread, to which 160 or so hungry ringers applied themselves with vigour. The newly-appointed Dean (the Very Rev. J. Storrs) occupied the chair for a while, and before the meal was finished, as be had another immediate engagement, gave the members a hearty welcome to the Cathedral and City, and said it would give him much pleasure to become, like his predecessors, a vice-president of the Association.

As usual, after tea the name of the King was honoured by the singing of the National Anthem, after a few words from the Rev. Dr. Burr, Rector of St. Mary's, Chatham.-The Secretary read the annual report and balance sheet, which showed a flourishing state of things in membership, progress of change ringing and finance.-On the proposition of Mr. E. A. G. Allen (Rochester district secretary), seconded by Mr. W. J. Jeffries (St. John's, Deptford), the report and balance shoet were passed.-Mr. S. Hayzelden (East Farleigh) proposed a vote of thanks to the hon. secretary for his conduct of the affairs of the Association. - Mr. A. Osborne (Rochester) proposed, and Mr. G. A. Jones (Gravesend) scconded the election of officers and committee. This being duly carried, concluded the regular business. By request, the secretary read the report of the sub-committee on the subject of the benevolent fund, and after a few questions put by various members the meeting broke up. The Cathedral and other towers were again visited, and members went their several waye home enjoying a mense of satisfaction in having passed a pleasant day as members of what may now be called a great institution, some of them, no doubt, with their heads (or tails) held high, inasmuch as they are, as the preacher. called them, "princes of the art.'

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The annual meeting of the Irish Association was held in Dublin on Whitsun Monday, the pouring wet day in no way damping the ardour of the members, who attended from various parts of the country, including such far distant centres as Limerick, Waterford, Kilkenny, Arklow, etc. The bells of the rarious churches had been kindly placed at the disposal of the members by the authorities, touches from Doubles to Cinques being brought round during the day.
The members were kindly entertained to luncheon at the Dolphin Hotel, Essex Street, by the Right Hon. Lord Justice Cherry, who, despite his high judicial duties, still retains his interest in and practice of the art. Amongst those who sat down were the President, the Rev. Canon Scott Bray, the Dean of St. Patrick's, the Dean of Waterford, Rev. Canou Hallowes (Arklow), Mr. W. Chamney, the Rev. R. A. Adderley (timerick), the Rev. OHara Mease, the Rev. J. Jackson (Waterford).
After Iuncheon, Lord Justice Cherry welcomed the visitors to Dublin, saying that as they had come for ringing, speeches would be left out. But up jumped the Dean of St. Patrick's, a worthy successor of Dean Swift, saying that he defied the Court (laughter and applause). He expressed hearty thanks to Lord Justice Cherry for his kind hospitality, and likened him to justice and mercy combined.

Needless to say, the motion was carried with acclamation.
The business meeting was held in the Music Room of St. Patrick's Cathedral. The President, the Rev. Canon Scott, occupying the chair. He remarked that although their list of peals was somewhat small, he was pleased to see that, the various societies in union were getting stronger, and the work which was their real object-Sunday ringing-was being greatly improved.

The foliowing officers were elected: President, R. S. Blee, Vet. S., Waterford; hon. treasurer, Mr. A. Corrigan; hon. secretary, Mr. G. Lindoff. Twenty-two new members were also elected. The rules for the challenge shield to be awarded to the affliated society showing the bost average attendance for serice ringing each year were adopted. The shield is a beautiful piece of work in silver on polished oak the centre being a replica of the ancient bell of St. Pafrich, now in the Dublin Muscum. The shield is to be awarded to the society showing the highest average number of bells rung for service during the preceding year. The average for each tower is to be computed as follows: The number of bells rung at each service is to be totallerl; the total thus obtained is to be divided by tine number of services for which the belis have been rung, and the result by the number of bells in the ring. The ringing must be of at least 15 minutes' duration before each service.

Tea in St. Patrick's Schools, provided by the Dublin ringers, was afterwards partaken of, and subsequently those who had not a long railway journey in front of them adjourned to St. Patrick's Cathedral for a touch on the twelve.

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## NOTICES.

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IHE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at St. Stephen's, West Ealing, on Saturday, May 24th, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. W. H. Thompson). Ringing from 4.30 , short service at 6 .-H. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The half-yearly meeting will be held at Bury on Saturday, May 24th. Bells of the Parish Church (8) will be available from 2.30 p.m. Meeting in the schoolroom at 5.30 p.m.-W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Honorary Secretaries.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

 -Established 1637 . - Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on the 27 th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 27 th; St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual meeting is to be held at Wimborne Minster, on Wednesday, May 28th. Ringing to commence at in.o. Service in the Minster at 12.15. Preacher, Rev. Canon J. M. J. Fletcher, Vicar of Wimborne Minster. Dinner at Masonic Hall at I.I5. Ringers will be the guests of the Wimborne Branch. The towers at Cranborne and St. Giles, Poole, Canford, Lytchett Minster and Stuminster Marshall will be open for ringing.-N.B.: The day fixed is not Monday, but Wednesday the 28th inst.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.A meeting for practice will be held at Walton-le-Dale on May 3 ist. Bells available from 3 o'clock.-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-Dale.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at St. Mattherv's, Upper Clapton, by kind permission of the Rev. O. R. Dawson, on Saturday, May 3Ist. Bells available at 3.30. Short service, with address, at 5. Tea at $5.45,6 d$. each. All members and friends welcome-C. T. Coles, Hon. Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Derby District.-The next monthly meeting of the above will be held at Duffield on Saturday, May 3Ist, 1913. The ten bells will be available at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers and friends invited. Bart Mitchell, Honorary District Secretary, I49, Leacroft Road, Derby.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch.- The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Surfleet (in connection with the opening of the new peal of to bells) on Saturday, May 3ist. Short service at 3 o'clock, with address, by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, M.A., Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Dinner at the Crown Inn at one o'clock. Tickets 2s. 3d. each. As Surfleet is a country village it is absolutely necessary that intending visitors wishing to dine must notify me not later than May 24th. Stations: Surfleet, G.N., one mile; Pinchbeck, G.N. and G.E., two miles. Ringing friends will be heartily welcomed.-G. Ladd, Honorary Secretary, Pinchbeck, Spalding.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Guildford District.-A district meeting will be held at Puttenham, on Saturday, May $3^{\text {rst, }} 1913$. Bells (6) available 3. Service 5.30 . The Rector will address the ringers. Tea in the Old School 6.15 . Tea tickets, menlubers 6 d., visitors is. Subscriptions are overdue and should be paid at, or before, the meeting.-John J. Jones, Honcrary Secretary, North Strect, Guildford.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Eastern District.- The May meeting of the above will be held at Bennington on Saturday, May 3rst, when the bells will be open for ringing during the afternoon and evening. The Rector (the Fev. WV. Mills) is providing a free tea. It is
hoped that a good many will attend a meeting in this oldworld and interesting village. I should be glad if those who can will kindly notify me of their intention to be present, so as to have some idea of the number to provide for. All members and friends will be made welcome.-W. H. Lawrence, District Secretary, Little Munden.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOC-IETY.-The monthly meeting of the above society will be held at Tong on Saturday, May 31st, for practice. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at the Greyhound Inn at 7 p.m.-F. Hopwood, 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke, Bradford.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-The next meeting of this district will be held at Tonbridge on Saturday, June 7 th, 19I3. Further particulars will be announced next week.-W. Latter, Hon. District Secretary, 26, Duke's Road, Tunbridge Wells.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham District.-A meeting of the above will be held at Downe on Saturday, June 7 th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Service (association form) and address by the Rev. A. A. Gibson (Vicar) at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea gd. each, to follow at the Queen's Head Hotel. It is hoped that as many as possibly can will attend this meeting. Shoreditch motor 'buses to Farnborough, and thence $1 \frac{1}{2}$ miles through Lord Avebury's park. Will those who wish for tea send me their names not later than Tuesday, June 3rd.-T. Groombridge, Honorary District Secretary, 34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern District.-A bye meeting will be held at Bentley, South Weald, on Saturday, June 7 th. Tea will be provided only for those sending in their names to me on or before June 4 th.Henry F. Cooper, County Offices, Chelmsford.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (North Bucks Branch).-The annual meeting will be held at Shenley on Saturday, June 7th, next. Service at 3 p.m. -Thos. Best, junr., Secretary.
CHANGE OF ADDRESSES.-Mr. C. R. Lilley has removed to $6_{3}$, King Street, Shrewsbury.-Mr. Bart Mitchell has removed to 149, Leacroft Road, Derby.

## HANDBELLS WANTED.

WANTED, one or more handbells between 4 lbs . and rolbs. each in weight. Condition immaterial if not cracked, cheap. No others required.-W. Classey, 25, Vansbeck Road, Victoria Park, N.E.

## HOLIDAY APARTMENTS.

Having frequently had inquiries from ringers for information as to other members of the Exercise who have holiday apartments to let, we offer the use of our columns to those who cater for visitors at seaside and other resorts. Terms for insertion will be sent on application.

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## WULFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON

MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON. 4th March, 1912. Gentlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton. recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given general satisfaction

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,

Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

WORK.

## BELLS AND THE PUBLIC.

By far the most widely interesting subject discussed at the Central Council meeting-indeed, its interest has extended, perhaps, too wide to serve the interests of ringers -was the debate which took place on the question of a probable change in the attitude of the public cowards ringing. The discussion on the matter was doubtless precipitated by the great advance last year in peal ringing, which the Analysis, published in our last issue, showed to have increased 34 per cent. on the preceding twelve months. Incidentally let us mention that the task of compiling this table of statistics is really monumental. It is a task which grows year by year, and it is fortunate that the Council are able to find men of sufficient leisure tr undertake the work. To tabulate the mass of details con, tained in the statement involves, as Mr. King told the Council, an immense amount of labour and an infinite amount of time, and the commitiee deserve the heartiest thanks of the Exercise for their efforts, which, whatever the few may say, is of immense interest to the great majority of ringers.

But to return to the subject of the increase in peal ringing and the attitude of the public. Wie have several times expressed our views upon the question, and it must not be supposed that the majority of the public are antagonistic to bells. Unfortunately it is the small proportion of objectors who make the greatest noise. After all, bells are a great English institution, and are belored by many. Eren the public Press is not all against bells, although, as a rule, we only see in the papers the complaints of those who have, or think the have, a grievance. It is refreshing, therefore, to find an influential daily like the " Lancashire Post" taking up the cudgels for the Exercise. In a leading article, commenting on the discussion at Newcastle, it says:-
Now it is an undoubted fact that some of the single bells hung in our modern churches produce the most nnmelodious noises. Their clapping is a series of tuneless concussions. They would not be tolerated on the Continent. One can understand the public being worried by some of these bells, but only the neurasthenic, or the man without a germ of music in his nature, or a particle of romance in his soul. could find no enjoyment in the peal of old church bells, or appreciate its message, whether it comes in loud clangour from the neighbouring tower or is borno in soft harmonies from a distance on the evening breeze. We believe with Mr. King that if a poll of the people were taken, it would be found that there would be an overwhelming majority in favour of the bells.

Thus we see that ringers may still rely upon the sympathy of the public, for after all the Englishman cherishes his old institutions, and the church bells of England are among the oldest in the land. There is no need for giving way to pessimism; what we principally need to do to preserve our lit is to exercise that tact and discretion in the use of the tower.

## CHARLES CARR,



SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM

Broomfld Vicarage, Chelmstord.

Dear Sirs,
I have great pleasure in atating that we are perfectly satisfled with the manner in which you have carried out the work entrusted to rou of re-arranging and re-hanging whe Broomfleld Church Bells.

We consider that the work redects great credit upon your firm, and believe that your aystem of hanging the bells reduces the vibra. tion of the steel frame supplied by gou to a minimum.
The CHURCEWARDENS unite with ME in this expression of opinion. The BELILRINGERS are also unanimous in their praise of the alterations effected by you.

Yours truly,
CHAS. EDMUNDS, Vicar of Broomfleld.
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LIVERPOOL, LANCASHIRE.
THE YOKK゙SHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Siturday, May 24, 1913, in Thee Hours and Forty-two Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GINQUES 5000 CHAMGES;
Tenor 39 cwt. 3 qr. Lo lbs.


Composed by C. H. Hattersley, and
Conducted by Sam Thomas.

* First peal of Stedman Cinques by James Evinson, to whom the peal was also a birthday compliment. $\dagger$ First peal on twelve bells. Rung in honour of Empire Day.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

MELTON MOWBRAY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Twenty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;
Tenor $25 \ddagger \mathrm{cwt}$.
Josiah Morris ... ... ...Treble Frederick H. Dexter ... 6 Ernest Bartram ... ... 2 Arthur S. Pettit ... ... 7 Louis E. Allen... ... ... 3 Charles H. Fowler ... 8 Alfred J. Hessian ... $. . .4 .4 \left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & 4 \\ & \text { James George ... ... .... } \\ & 9\end{aligned}\right.$

Composed by James George, and
Conducted by Fred H. Dexter
First peal on ten bells by $E$. Bartram, aged 17 years, the youngest Cater ringer in the Guild. It is the first peal of Caters by the-Guild out of the County of Warwick. This composition, now rung for the first time, is varied by reversing the eleven course blocks of the original 5079. The peal was rung in honour of Empire Day.

## NEIVCASTLE-ON-TYNE

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Suturday, May 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Tuenty-nine Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANCES;
Tenor $37 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt
 Composed by Joseph W. Parker, and

Conducted by W. H. Barber.
First peal of Caters. $\dagger$ First peal of Stedman. This composition contains the 6th forty consecutive courses in 5 th's place, being its extent behind the 9 th and 8 th without singles.

## LONDON

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret, Westminster,
A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANCES;
Tenor $26 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt
 Edwin F. Pike .. Bertram Prewett...
.. Terror

Composed by Corneliues Charge, and
Conducted by William l'ye.
IRung in honour of Empire Day.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

EYE, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Or Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 21 cwt.

| vin Whiting | ...Treble | George Snelling |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Bertie Turner | $\ldots . . . . .2$ | Ernest Whiting |
| Alfred Smith | 3 | Frederick Seager ... ... 7 |
| Charles Baker | ... ... 4 | John Snellin |

Charles Baker John Snelling... ... ...Tenor Composed by Nathan J. Pirstow, and Conducted by Edwin Whiting.

* First peal in the method.


## NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.

 THE WARWICKSHIRE GUII.D.On Thursday, May 15, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE 留AJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor I4z cwt.

| Alfred J. Hessian... | ...$T r e b l e$ | E. Harry Stoneley | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Joseph H. W. White | ... | 2 | Walter Malins . ... | ... |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |

-Geoffery J. Stoneley... 3 Thomas W. Chapman ... 7
*Harry Argyle... ... ... 4 Adolphus Roberts... ...Tenor
Composed by H. Dains, and
Conducted by A. Roberts.

- First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.


## ALBURGH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, May 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANQES:
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. I2 lbs.
Edwin Whiting... ... ...Treble George Gower ... ... 5 Ernest Whiting ... ... 2 Alfred Smith ...... Frederick Borrett ... ... 3 Joseph Botwright ... ... 7 Russell Riches... ... ... 4 Frederick Smith ... ... Tenor Composed by Arthur Kigights, and Conducted by Edwin Whiting.

SOUTHAM, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
(The St. Michael's Society, Sioke, Coventry.)
On Saturday, May 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 8TEDAAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE । Pitsiow's Variation of Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor if cwt. Frasik E. Pervin ... ...Treble William T. Cox ... ... 5 William Pryce ... ... 2 Willam H. Broxisdon ... 6 Joseph H. W. White $\cdots \cdots \begin{array}{lll}\text {... } & 3 & \text { Adolphus Roberts ... ... } \\ 7\end{array}$ William J. Smith ..... .4 |*G. Harry IKettle ... .... Tenor

Conducted by $A$. Roberts.

* First peal in the method. First peal on the bells since being augmented to eight. The conductor's I50th peal.

STREATHAM, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, May 20, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Holt's Original.
Louis Attwater...
Henry Pates
John S. Daniel. Isaac J Antels ... $\cdots \frac{2}{3}$ Isaac J. Attwater ... $\cdots$... 3 *George Liddiard

| John Lee | - 5 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Frank N. Attwater | 6 |
| Caleb Daniel.. |  |
|  |  | * First peal. Conducted by Isaac J. Attwater. Jackson.

## UFFORD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, May 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF OXford treble bob major, 5088 Changes ; Tenor 14 cwt .

| Charles E. Fisher... | ...Treble | Alfred E. Acfield |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *George R. Finch . | . 2 | David Leggett | 6 |
| Robert H. Hayward | ... 3 | - William B. Reeve | ... 7 |
| -Robert Miles ... | 4 | George E. Symonds | ...Tenor |

- First attempt for a peal in the method.


## TWYFORD, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (Sonning Deanery Branch.)
On Wednesday, May 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes. At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thorstans' Four-Part. Tenor i2 cwt. o qr. io lbs.
Frederick Dentry ... ...Treble | Albert E. Reeves ... 5 Ernest C. Lambert ... ... 2 Albert A. Hughes ... 6 Harry Bungay ... ... ... 3 Rev. Cyril Jenkyn ... 7 Ambrose W. Osborne $\cdots \cdots$... 4 Rev. G. F. Coleridge...Tenor Conducted by Rev. Cyril Jenkyn.
First peal on the bells which have recently been placed in the tower by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, the tone and "go' of the bells leaving nothing to be desired. Mr. A. A. Hughes was elected a member before starting. The Vicar kindly entertained the band after the peal.

## LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, May 22, 1913, in Three Hours aud Three Minutes, At Christ Church, Blackfriars,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE BAJOR, 5056 GHANGE : Tenor 18 cwt .
*Ernest E. Grimes ... ..

 | Frank Bennett | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Janes E. Davis | .. | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Isaac Emery | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Alfred W. Grimes | $\ldots$ | Tenor | Isaac Emery Composed by C. Middletox, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.

* First peal in a Surprise method.

LISCARD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILDD.
On Thursday, May 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Tielve Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5OSB CHANGES;
Tenor I7 $\frac{3}{ \pm}$ cwt., in F .

- James R. Griffen
.. -..Treble
William Davies
John Wilkinson

| .. | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | $\ldots$ | 3 |
| $\ldots$. | ... | 4 | Ernest J. Oliver...

Edivard Caunce ... George R. Newton
edward Caunce ... Composed by Henry Dains, and
Conducted by George R. Newton.

* First attempt for a peal of Major. First peal in the method on the bells.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, May 22, 1913, in Tüo Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Mazy,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH COURT BOS MAJOR, 5088 GHANGE8;
Tenor 8 cwt. I qr. 20 lbs .
John Aldis, Sent. ... ...Treble George H. Cross ... ... 5
George Howchin ... ... 2 Alfred Funnell ... ... 6
Frank R. Copeman ... ... 3 William Steele ... ... 7
Albert G. Warnes ...

Conducted by William Steeif.
Conducted by William Steele.
G. H. Cross has now rung every bell in this tower to a peal.

PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Tharsday, May 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes. At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tenor 7 cwt 3 qr .6 lbs.

ALBURGH, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 24. 1913, in Thece Hours and Four Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lbs.


- First peal in the method.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIUN.
On Saturday, May 24. 1913, in Tzwo Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB AAJOR, $5 I 52$ CHANGES ;

## Tenor 8 cwt . I qr. 20 cwt .



* First peal in the method. This peal was rung in honour of Empire Day.

BOLDMERE, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 21. 1913, in T wo Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL Of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

 Composition No. 36.Morris J. Morris ... ...Treble George Garrison James Jones … $\ldots \ldots$.... 3 John Corrigan.... $\cdots \cdots$....
 Rung in honour of Empire Day, and as a birthday compliment to Samuel Reeves. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells, and the tower-keeper for having everything in order.

ST. GERMANS, CORNWALL. THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Germanos,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE ; Holt's Ten-Part. Reginald A. H. Dobson Treble Ernest W. Marsh ... ... 2 William Richards... William Ford ... ... ... 7 Conducted by Ernest W. Marsh. six to eight by Messrs. Mears \& Stainbank, and the "go" of which is excellent. Rung in honour of Empire Day.

QUORN, LEICESTERSHIRE. TIIF MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 24. 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Bartholomew,
4 PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR 5024 CHANGEs; Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
 Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood, Bart., and Conducted by E. M. Atrins.
This is the first peal of Double Norwich on these bells for over 20 years.

## FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NOKWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturduy, May 24, 1913, in Tuo How's und Fifiy-eight Minutes,

> At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANCES;

Haley's Variation of Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 16 cwt .2 qr .4 lbs .

| Hobart E. Smith ... | ...Treble | Grorge Wightman... | .. | 5 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| -Leslie C. Wightman | $\ldots$ | 2 | Alfred S. Wightman | .. | 6 | | $\bullet$ LLeslie C. Wightman | ... | 2 | Alfred S. Wightman | .. | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Robert H. Hayward | .. | 3 | George E. Symonds | $\ldots$ | 7 |

 Conducted by George E. Simonds.

- First peal in the method. Rung in honour of Empire Day.


## PORTSMOUTH.

THE WINCHESTEK JIOCESAN GUILD.
On Suturday, May 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Trelve Minutes. At the Church of St. Thomas-a-Beckett,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Thorstans' Fouk-Part.
Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qrs.
Willtam T. Tucker... ...Treble Edward Reynolds... .

Henky W. Wilkes ... $\ldots{ }^{2}$ Frederick Burnett ... ... 3 Lionel H. Page... ... ... 4 Edwin J. Harding... George Williams.... Henry C. Ingram ... $\quad . .$. Tenoy Conducted by Gforge Williams.
Rung in honour of the anniversary of the wedding of the Vicar (the Rev. Iर. S. Medlicott), and alsn in celebration of Empire Day. The first peal of Stedman on the bells.

## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX

TIIE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Tivree Hours and Nineteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BJB MAJOR, 5924 CHANCES;

| Arthur VV. Gravett | ... Treble | Oliver Sippetts | .. | .. | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| -Arthur H. White ... | .. | 2 | Richard Stredwick | .. | 6 | | •Arthur H. White ... | ... | 2 | Richard Stredwick | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Albert Harman | .. | .. | 3 | Albert D. Stone | .. |
| .. | 7 |  |  |  |  | George H. Howse... Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Keith Hart.

*First peal in the method and first attempt. Rung to celebrate Empire Day.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Tro Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES; Tenor II $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

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## EARL'S COLNE, ESSEX.

 THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At thæ Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHAMGES;

## Tenor I4 cwt.

Ernest Newman ... ...Tveble | Frank Claydon ... ... 5
Andrew Shufflebotham 2 William Keeble ... ... 6
Walter Burst ... ......$\quad 3 \quad 3 \quad$ James French ......
menry W. Catterwell... 4 James Fledty ... ... ...Tenor Composed by G. F. Williams, and Conducted by W. Keeble.
Rung for Empire Day.

## FEERING, ESSEX.

 THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Three Hours anll Sixteen Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SUJß Tenor 18 cwt .
Walter Sadler ... ...Tveble John Sadler ... ... ... 5

- Henry W. Kirton... ... 2 William Keeble ... .... 6

Andrew Shufflebotham 3 Ernest W. Beckwith .. 7
Ernest Newman ... ... 4 David H. Elliott ... ... Tenor Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by W. Keeble.

* First peal of Superlative. Rung in honour of Empire Day.

TWYFORD, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES; 5040 GHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-Part.

- Sidney Stratton ... ...Tieble

Walter Young ... ... 2
*William G. Carter ... 3 Leonard S. Oxenbury 6

- Silas E. Wateridge ... 4 Jesse Penton ... ... ....Tenor

Conducted by Frederick J. Oxenbury.

- First peal. This is the first peal by a local band.


## CHESTER.

THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-within-the-Walls,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES; Tenor 14 cwt .
 Edward Floyd.

Cond ... 4 Aifred Lea ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Samuel Meadows.
First peal as conductor. Rung in honour of Empire Day and as a birthday compliment to H. Moore. S. Meadows, J. Clutton, Harry Moore, Edward Floyd and Alfred Lea hail from Wrexham.

## BARKING.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. (South Western Division.)
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COUBT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANEES;
Tenor $22 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Thomas Faulkner ... ...Treble York Green ... ... ... 5

 | William Truss | ... | .. | 3 | Henry Torble... | ... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ebenezer Andrews | .. | 4 | Albert C. Hardy | ... | ...$T$ enor |  |  |里benezer Andrews ... 4 Albert C. Hardy ... ...Tenor

Composed by York Green, and Composed by York Green, and Conducted by Thomas Faulkner. *First peal in the method. Rung in honour of Empire Day.

## CODDENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-tre Minutes, At the Church of St. Maey,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Holt's Ten-Part.
James Motts ... ... ...Treble
Robert H. Brundle ... 2
Edgar Pemberton ... ... 3

William Motts...... Conducted by James Motts.
Rung after meeting short for Double Norwich. Oliver Waspe was elected a member of the Association before starting, and this was his first peal as tenor-man. The rest of the company belong to the St. Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich. This is the second peal rung within a fortnight upon two rings of church bells-the ten at St. Lambert's, Stonham Aspall, and the eight at St. Mary's, Coddenham-given by that pious gentleman, Mr. Theodore Ecclestone, of Crowfield Hall, Suffolk. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar (the Rev. Walter Wyles) for the use of the bells; also Mr. Hawkins English, who so kindly gave attention to the bells.

## BECKINGTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, May 25, 1913, in Thvee Hours and Eight Minutes,
at the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

Holt's Ten-Part.
Wale Bishor Tenor 17 cwt.
Walter Bishop... ... ...Treble| A. M. G. Daniel
Gilbert Harding ... ... 2 Trumpet-Major Farley
$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Isaac B. Holmyard } . . . & \cdots & 3 & \text { Samuel J. Hector } & \cdots & 7\end{array}$ Fredrick Speed... .... ... 4 Arthur K. Harrison ...Tenor Conducted by George Harding.

* First peal. This peal was arranged for the ringer of the 6th who was in camp at Frome with the North Somerset Yeomanry. He wishes to thank all those that took part in it, and Mr. Tucker, of the local band, for having everything in readiness.


## HONOURING DESCENDANT OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND'S FOUNDER.

The two following peals were rung in honour of the wedding of Princess Victoria Louise, of Prussia, and Prince Ernst August, of Cumberland. Prince Ernst is descended from William Augustus, Duke of Cumberland, who was the founder of the Royal Cumberland Youths.

## LONDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary, Mortlake,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES ;
Tenor I4 cwt.
Arthur N. Hardy
Frank Bennett... ...
$\ldots$
$\ldots$
$\ldots$

Harold Burton...
Frank I. Hairs...
Frank I. Hairs ... ... ... 4 James Hont ... ... 7 .
Composed by Edgar Wightman, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.

## EDMONTON

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor $17 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.

| Charles H. Austin... | ... Treble | John T. Kentish | ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Miss Edith K. F'arker | .. | 2 | Wilby J. Hazeil | ... |
| ... | 6 |  |  |  |


George A. Card ... ... 4 George Paice ... ... ... Tenor
Composed by Henry Dains, and
Conducted by James Parker.

## SIX $8^{8}$ FIVE BELL PEALS.

BEACHAMPTON, BUCKS. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(North Bucks Branch.)
On Weduesday, May 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Consisting of Grandsire, Antelope and St Dunstan's. Tenor 8 cwt. o qr. 27 lbs .
*C. N. Alderman
... ...Treble | W. T. Carter...
A. J. Alderman

Dennis G. Carter ... ...Tenor Conducted by D. G. Carter.

* First peal. The ringer of the treble is is years old and is believed to be the youngest ringer to score a peal in the North Bucks Branch. The band wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Alderman for their kind bospitality after the peal.

GRINSTON, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wedneslay, May 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Botolph,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720 's each called differently. Tenor 9 cwt.


First peal on the bells.

PETTISTREE, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May' 10, 1913, in Two Hou's and Thirty-five Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of College Exercise, London Scholars' and New
London Pleasure, Duke of York, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford.
Alfred Clements ... ...Treble
David Leggett...
$\begin{array}{ccc}\ldots . . & \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots & \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots & \ldots . & 3\end{array}$
George Ablift ... ... 4
Charles E. Fisher ... 5
Henry Puttock
William Sawyer ... ...T Tenor

Conducted by William Sawyer.

SPROUGHTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, May 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Mimutes, At the Church of All Sainis,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being $7^{20}$ each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, Double Bob and Plain Bob.

Alf. W. Clarke George W. Mee Frank Rolf
..Treble | James Rose
$\begin{array}{llllc}\text { James Rose } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 4 \\ \text { Edgar Rivers } . . . & \ldots & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { Harry G. Welham } & \ldots & \text { Tenoy }\end{array}$
Conducted by E. Rivers.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, May 18, 1913, in Two Hou's and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES; Being seven 720's.
George E. Naunton ...Treble Albert J. Naunton ... ... 2

Francis W. Naunton ... 5
John Spencer ... ... ... 3 Norman R. Bailey ...Tenor

> Conducted by N. R. BAILEY.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Albert J. Naunton, who was 69 years of age on the r4th inst.

GOLDHANGER, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. (The Maldon and District Goild.)
On Monday, May 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL DF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCE8;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Norwich Surprise, Colleges Exercise, New Isndon Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford. Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
E. Harry Lewis... ... ...Tyeble Frederick White ... ... 4

Horace J. Mansfield ... 2 Walter Nice ... ... ... ... 5
Fred Chalk... ... ... ... 3 John D. Bockingham ...TTenoin
Conducted by John D. Buckingham.
BURLEY, LEEDS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Chorgh of St. Matthias,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;
Being two 720's of Oxford, one each of Violet, Duke of York and: Woodbine, and two 7zo's of Kent. Tenor 9 cwt .

| *Miss Alice Hick | .. | $\ldots$. | ...$T r e b l e$ | George W. Slack ... | 4 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- |
| †George Robinson | .. | $\ldots$ | .. | 2 | †Percy J. Johnson... | 5 | | $\dagger$ George Robinson | .. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | †Percy J. Johnson ... |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| †Robert Thomas | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | $\dagger$ Henry Lindsay | ... Tenor | Conducted by Robert Thomas.

* First peal. † First peal of Minor. First peal as conductor. This is the first peal on tower bells by the Association in which a lady has taken part. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. W. F. James, M.A. the Vicar of Burley, who shortly takes up the living of Ilkley.


## SEFTON, LANCASHIRE,

THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, May 20; 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Helen,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGE ;

Being 720 each of London, Canterbury, Chester, Carlisle, Beverley, York and Cambridge. Tenor 15 cwt.
James Marsh ... ... ...Treble
James Martin ...
ohn Wil Herbert H Barker
Thos. W. Gilmotr ... $. . .9 \quad 3 \mid$ Herbert H, Barker $\quad$... 5
Conducted by Herbert H. Barker.
This is the first peal on the bells.

## HORSMONDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, May 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Reverse Collegr. Single, St. Clement's, Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob and College Single,
*Fredk. J. Lambert, Junr.Tyeble Jim Beach...
Frederick Butchers ... 2
Fredk. J. Lambert, Semr. 4
... 3 EdWIN Lambert ... ...Tentor
Conducted by Ediwin Lambert.

* First peal. Quickest peal on the bells. Rung in commenorationi of Empire Day.

NEWENT, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Church of the Ever Beessed Virgin,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAHCES:
Being two 720's of Kent Treble Bob and five of Plain Bob each called differently. Tenor $17 \frac{1}{2}^{\circ} \mathrm{c} w$.
Ex. Sergt. J. Williams ...Treble John Austin ... ... ... 4 Charles L. Sadler ... ... 2 Arthur S. Boar Charles W. Dyson... ... 3 Joseph T. Dyke ... ... Tenor Conducted by J. T. Dyke.
Rung to celebrate Empire Day. The band wish to thank Sergeant* and Mrs. Williams for so kindly entertaining them before and after: the peal.

## WISSETT, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven $720^{\circ}$ s each called differently. Tenor xo cwt.
Walter Kerrison ... ...Tyeble Herbert Pratt ... ... 4
James Spalding ... ... 2 Charles Woods ... ... 5
ERrest Lincoln...$\quad$... 3 Francis W. Nadition ...Tenor Conducted by F. W. Naunton.

- First peal of Minor. Rung in honour of Empire Day.


## WATLINGTON, NORFOLK.

On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHAMGES;
Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt 2 qr .2 lbs . - E. Robertson ... ... ...Treble $\mid$ Oliver Staines .... ... 4
 Alf. Bacon $\ldots$ Conducted by George Hawes.

* First peal.


## FRENSHAM, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, 'Canterbury Pleasure, College Single, Plain Bob and Oxford Single Bob.
Alfred J. Choter ... ...Tyeble | Hubert Chaffey ... ... 4 Alfred J. Croucher ... 2 Grorge Upshall ... ... 5 Charles Edwards ... ... 3 | Thomas Upshall ... ...Tenor Conducted by Charles Edwards.
Rung for Empire Day.

## CROSTHWAITE, WESTMORLAND.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Furness and Lake District Branch.)
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAMCES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor ro $\frac{3}{} \mathrm{cwt}$. William Robinson ... ...Treble Eric L. Bennett ... ... 4 Charles E. Webb...$\quad$... 2 Alfred W. Brighton...${ }^{2} 5$ Gordon Whittam $\quad . .$. Conducted by William Robinson.

* First peal. First peal on the bells. Rung in honour of Empire Day. The ringers desire to record their warmest thanks to Mr. W. Noble (member of the Crosthwaite band), who so kindly provided them with a welcome tea at this residence before the peal and with refreshments after; and to the Rev. T. Heelis, Vicar, for the use of the bells. The ringers of the treble, 3 rd and 4 th belong to Ambleside, 2nd to Hawkshead, 5th to London, and the tenor to the local band.


## BARCOMBE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary;
a Peal of crandsire doubles, 5040 chances;
Being 42 Six-Soores called differently. Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lbs. ${ }^{9}$ Leonard H. Stevens ...Treble. †James H. Cox... ... ... 4
 William H. Banks... ... 3 *Albert Martin ... ...Tenor Conducted by Albert E. Edwards.
*First peal. $\dagger$ First peal with a bob bell. Rung to celebrate Empire Day; also rung as a compliment on the 85 th anniversary of his birthday to Mr. J. S. Reed, who is Deputy Chairman of the Parish Council and Overseer of the Parish and who was for over 30 years :churchwarden of the above church, from which office he retired about is 8 years ago.

## LANGPORT, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Three Hours. At the Church of All Saints, A PEAL OF bOB minur, 5040 Chances; Being seven 720's. Tenor I6 cwt.
W. Tom Jeanes... ... ...Treble Thomas J. Lloyd ... ... 4

Henry J. Creed ... ... 2 Arthur Wheadon ... ... 5
Tom W. Creed ... ... ... 3 Isac Creed ... ... ... Tenor Conducted by Isaac Creed.
Rung in honour of Empire Day.

WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Mav 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge and Norwich Surprise, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 13 cwt.


## STOKE GOLDING, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE AND TREBLE bOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
In seven methods, viz.: London Surprise, Beverley Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, London Scholars' Fleasure, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor io cwt.
Ernest Stone ... ... ...Treble Walter J. Horton ... 4
Thomas H. Vallance ... 2 Thomas W. Chapman ... 5
Geoffrey J. Stoneley ... 3 E. Harry Stoneley ...Tenor
Conducted by E. Harry Stoxeley.
Rung for the Festival of Corpus Christi and for Empire Day.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK. THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.
On Monday, May 5, 1913 , in Two Hours "and Nine Minutes, In the Belfry of the Norman Tower,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

| Frederick G. Dewell ... | I-2 | John Sparrow | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| ... | $5-6$ |  |  |

Frank J. Levitt ... ... 3-4 Eriest Hunt... ... ... 7 - 8
Composed by Arthur T. King, and Conducted by John Sparrow.
Umpire: William Goodship.

## PETERBOROUGH.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. On Monday, May 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes, In the Belfry of St. Mary's Chorch,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 Changes;

Frank Dainty ... ... ...Treble | John J. Jutson........ ... 4 Thomas R. Vadghan Frederick T. Cooke

| $\ldots .$. | 2 | Walter Cross |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\ldots .$. | 3 | Hugh Beechey | George Jutson $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Jut............ } & 7-8\end{array}$

Composed by H. Hubbard, and
Conducted by George Jutson.
This is the first peal of Major by all except the ringer of the 3 rd.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. JAMES SOCIETY.
On Thursday, May 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes,
In the Belfry of the Norman Tower,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Frederick G. Dewell... $\operatorname{I-2}$ Frank J. Levitt ... ... 5-6 Harry A. Turner... ... 3-4 Horace W. Foulger ... 7-8 Composed by G. H. Cross, and
Conducted by Frederick G. Dewell. Umpire: Ernest Hunt.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY

the winchester diocesan guild
On Friday, May 23. 1913, in Two Hours and Eleven Minutes, At the Residence of A. H. Pulling,
A PEAL OF StEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 Changes; Thurstans' Four-Part.
Alfret H. Polling ... i-2 Maurice Smither ... $. . . \quad 3-4$ Frank Blondell ... ... 7 - 8 Conducted by Frank Blondell. Umpire: W. E. Maulden. Witness: Mrs. Pulling.
Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to F . Blondell. It was his first peal as conductor on handbells.

## LONG STANTON.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD
On Friday, May 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Vicarage,

## A PEAL Of KENT TREBLE bOB MAJOR, 5088 Changes ;

Rev. H.S. T. Richardson y-2 *Frederick Barker … 5-6 Rev. A. H. F. Boughey 3-4 †Rev. B. H.Tyrwhitt Drake 7 - 8 Composed by John Reeves, and
Conducted by Rev. H S. T. Richardson.
Umpires : Rev. H. B. Wooley and H. Tominson.

* First peal of Treble Bob on an inside pair. $\dagger$ 5oth peal.


## CAMBRIDGE

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At Trinity College,

## A PEAL of Kent treble bob major, 7104 ghanges;

Rev. A. H. F. Bodghey i-2 Rev. H. S. T. Ricgardson 5-6 William D. James ... 3-4 Frederick Barker ... 7-8 Composed by T. Day, and
Conducted by William D. James.
This is the longed. peal by the above Guild.
CAMBRIDGE
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Twonty-cight Minutes, at Trinity College,
a peal df grandsibe caters, 5003 changes;
Rev. A. H. F. Boughey... i-2 William D. James ... ... 5-6 Rev. H. S T. Richardson $3-4 \mid *$ Frederick Barker...
*J. Bruce Williamson ... ... 9-ro
Conducted by Rev. H. S. T. Richardson.

* First peal of Grandsire. This is the conductor's I50th peal and 50th in hand.


## A DEVONSHIRE WEEK.

CLYST HONITON, DEVONSHIRE. THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD. On Monday, May 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Nineten Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and Ale Angels,
a PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Holt's Original
Francis H. Gardner ...Treble Charles Carter ... ... 2 Harry Barton ... ... ... 3 'Nilliam H. Fussell

Conducted by Harry Barton
Messrs. Fussell (Slough) and Barton (Southwold) were elected life members of the above Guild previous to the peal.

## HEAVITREE, EXETER.

 THE DEVONSHIRE GURLD.On Tuesday, May 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes, at the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Holt's Original.

Harry Barton ... ... ...Treble William S. Lethbridge... 2 Frank Murphy ... ... ... 3 Thomas Laver

Tenor 26 cwt., in E flat.
William H. Fussell ... 5

- John Ferris ... ... ... 6 Frank Davey ... ... ... 7 John R. Sandover... ... Teno Conducted by William h. Fussell.
* First peal on an inside bell.


## STONEHOUSE, DEVONSHIRE.

 THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.On Wednesday, May 14, 1913, if. Thrce Hours, At the Chorch of St. George,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Holt's Original.
Tenor 12 cw .
George H. Myers ... ...Treble William Hamlyn
William Richards ... ... 2 William H. Fussell
Alfred Michelmore... ... 3 George E Papr Junt
Harry Barton ... ..... .4 |*George E. Parr, Senr. Tenor Conducted by Harry Barton.

- First peal.

HOLBETON, DEVONSHIRE. THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Fiday, May 16, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Chercif of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor $I_{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Frederick Lapthorn... .. Treble $\mid$ William H. Fossell ... 4 | Rer. Everard L. Powell | 2 | Harry | Barton | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Conducted by Harry Barton.

DEVONPOITT, DEVONSHIRE. THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, May 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Twolve Minutes, At the Chapel Roval, H.M. Dockyard,
a peal of kent treble bob major, 5184 chances; Tenor 9 cwt .

- Warrex S. Horvbrook ...Treble
Harry Barton
- William Richards ...

| William J. Rundle | $\ldots$. | 4 | Willlam | Ford...... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Composed by Arther Knights, and Conducted by Harry barton.

* First peal in the method.

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## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

A meeting of the Marlborough branch was held on Saturday week at Wootton Bassett. The fine weather might have been expected to draw a large attendance, but ouly four towers were represented.-The President (Rer. A. E. G. Peters), after cycling half the distance from Marlborough had to reiurn because of a puncture; while the branch secretary, Mr. J. Butlez, who had to cycle some 36 miles with a friend, was delayed by a series of accidents, and did not reach the scene of action until after i oclock. Ringing, however, had been started some two hours before, and touches in various methods were brought round, a noticeable feature bsimg that several ringers successfully negotiated new methods. At the Angel IIotel, 18 ringers sat down to a good tea, there being present, besules the local ringers, representatives from Christ Church, Swindon; ]lroad Hinton, and Marlborough St. Mary: Afterwards, a return was made t'o the bilfry, and the bells were kept going to sereral methods until late in the evening. Allhough not a large gathering, this was the most successful meeting the Marlborough branch has held this year. both in point of numbers and in the quality of the rimging, but it is hoped that greater success may follow.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## MDETING AT QUEGNSBURY.

YORKSHIRE'S HIGHEST OHUROH ABOVE SEA-LEVEL.
Members of the Yorkshire Association turned up in goodi force, to the number of about 280 , for the meeting at Queensbury on Saturday last. Being faveured with a lovely spring day, and the atmosphere beantifully clear, the ride on top, of a car from either Halifax or Bradford-some three miles or so up the hils-to Queensbury village, 1,135 feet above sea-level, was an immense treat, a wide-sweeping view of the surrounding district being obtained. In this district of the woollen industry, nearly all buildings are of stone, this even taking the place of hedges in the ficlds, and scarcaly can oue see a brick building any where. Shibden Dale, a few minutes' walk from Queensbury, which can be traversed on the way to Halifax, affords a glimpse of as beautiful scenery as can be found for miles round.

Queensbury Church was built in 1843-4, and consecrated in 1846. The tower was rebuilt, and the bells augmented to the present finetoned ring of eight (by Mears and Stainbank), tenor $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in 1907, at a cosi of $£ 5,720$ The bells. it is needless to say, were made full use of during the day, some good striking in various methods being heard. Col. H. A. Foster had kindly thrown open his grounds at Littlemoor, and Mr. R. J. Fcster had been good enough to allow members to walk through his house and grounds at Harrowins. Both establishments are most beautifully laid out and kept, and many availed themselves of the privileges so kindly afforded.

THE 1.USTNESS MEETING
A substantial tea was served in the Co-operative Assembly Rooms. The business meeting followed in the Church Schools, with the President, the Rev. C. C. Marshall, in the chair, supported by the Vicar, the Rev. F. W. Bardsley, M.A., the wardens, the hon, secretary, (Mr. C. Glenn), the hon. treasurer (M1. J. Cotterell), and several members of the committee. The Chairman proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and wardens for their kind invitation and warm welcome. He (the Chairman) would just like to say that it would be a good thing if some means were adopted, whereby the noisiness of the bells could be diminished. The louvres could be bricked or shattered up. They had nowadays to cousider the constantly increasing objections to the noise of church bells, and some improvement in the way be snggested would be a great loon. Mr. G. Bciland seconded the vote of thanks, which was carried very heartily.
The Vicar, replying in an interesting speech, welcomed the Association on benalf of the wardens, ringers, and himself. He had been interested in the chairman's remarks with regard to the noise of the bells, and it was true that he had heard some little complaint when the bells were going for three hours at a stretch. One of his ringers was also a churchwarden, and they were glad to hear the suggestions. In conclusion, the Vicar said it was indeed a privilege to welcome the Association, and to see such a large party.

THE DRVISTON IN DISTRICTS.
A warm vote of thanks was accorded to the jocal branch for their arraugements, and to the ladies who assisted in preparing and serving the tea, to which Mr. Whiteley replied. Thanks were also given to the two gentlemen, Col. II. A. Foster and Mr. R. J. Foster, for opening their respectire grounds.
A kind invitation from the Vicar and members of Birstal, to hold the next meeting there on September 27th, was accepted.
With regard to the proposed plan for division into districts, the Chairman sald that the committee had been and were now hard at work evolving a scheme, which they hoped to have drafted out shortly, with a riew to giving notice in September of a motion to go before the amual meeting. The Chairman said there were very important questions involved of constitution, finance, etc., and he hoped that members would give the matter earnest consideration and talk it over in their towers, so that when the time came to take a vote, no member coukl say he had not had the matter brought before him without plenty of notice. A rote of thanks to the chair concluded a very pleasant meeting.

## H. W. WILDE'S 150 PEALS.

Minor: Two methods, 3 (conducted 1); three methods, 1; four methods, 7 (1); five methods, 1 (1); seren methods, 5 : ten methods 17200), $1 . \quad$ Trıples:
Double Grandsire, 1 (1); Union
Bob,
(1); Bob, 3 (2); Double Oxford Bob, 2b (1); Stedman, 11. Major: Plain Bob, 16 (1); Double Bob, 1 ; Little Bob, 1; Canterbury Pleasure, 1 (1); St. Clement's Bob, 1c (1); Oxford Bob, 1; Double Oxford Bob, 3 (1); Double Norwich, 14 (3); Duffinld, 3 (1): Kent Treble Bob, 25 (1); Oxford Treble Bob, 2; Albion Treble Bob, 2; Superlative Surprise, 12 (1) Caters: Stedman, 2. Royal: Plain Bob, 1: Double Norwich, 1; Kent Treble Bob, 2. Cinques: Strdman, 2. Maximus: Plain Bob, 1; total, 150 (conducted 28). (a) First peal of Triples ever rung in the method: (b) the only peals of Triples yet ming in the method; (c) first peal of Major rung in the method. Rung in 48 towers, in six counties, for seven associations.

CI,ANDON, SURIREY,-On Faster Day, 720 Gambridge Surprise. 720 London Surprise, 720 Carlisle Surprise, 360 Oxford Plain Bob, those taking part being: F. Bennett. W. Day, W. Savage, R. Blake, J. Goacher, F. Day and A. Sarage.

## ST. GERMAN'S CHURCH BELLS.

## NEW RING OF EIGHT IN OORNWALL

The bells of the beautiful and interesting old Cornish Church of St. German's have just been rehung in a new iron frame and two new trebles added to complete the octave by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of the Whitechapel Foundry, London. Last autumn it was found that the old wooden framing, in which the bells were hung, in 1775, and the floor on which it rested, were rotten and decayed to such an extent that furiher ringing would be unsafe, and it was, therefore, decided at a public meeting to carry out the work of thoroughly renewing both the flooring and the frames. It was also docided to recast the old troble, which was very flat, to bring it into tune, and in order to mark their appreciation of Canon Westmacott's services, the people decided to have the following inscription cast on the new second bell: "I was placed here in 1913 by the paople of St. German's and friends to mark their appreciation of the 22 years' services of Canon $W$. Westmacott, M.A., as Vicar.'
The work was completed in time to enable the dedication service to be carried out on Whit-Monday by the Vicar. Needless to say, the work done by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank is excellent. The frame now rests on three 12 in . by 6 in . steel joists, well set into the stout old walls of the tower, and vibration is practically nil. The "go"s of the bells is splendid.

At the dedication service, the opening peal of round ringing was carried out by St. German's ringers. Afterwards several splendid totiches were rung by members of the Truro Diccesan Guild, under Dr . Symons. The opening touch of 334 changes was conducted by Mr. I. Thomas, of St. Kea, Thuro. The next, which consisted of the first 630 changes from Holt's original, was conducted by Mr. J. Thomas, of Edmonton, under whose direction the whole work of rehanging the bells has been carried out, and who is a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths. This exceedingly clever ringer adso conducted a touch of 430 of Grandsire Triples, in which he rang two bells, the treble and second, striking them both in perfect time, and all the while watching the other ringers and calling the bobs and singles as unconcernedly as though he were an idle spectator. It was a fine example of what can be done by perseverance and enthusiasm, and it is hopod it has inspired all who saw it to do their best to perfect their powers of ringing in order that God's service, so far as ringing the church bells is concerned, may be carried out in the most perfect manner possible. Mr. Thomas afterwards conducted 504 Grandsire Triples, agaiu ringing the treble and second at the same time. Altogether it was a very successful day. The work has cost just $£ 300$, nearly $£ 250$ of which has been subscribed. Subseriptions from lovers of Cornwall to meet the balance will be thankfully received by RearAdmiral Geo. A. Haddy, R.N., St. German's, the hon. secretary.

## SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-I am pleased to see our old friend Hattersley's letter and his composition of Superlative obtained by the means of broken calling. which he reminds us he introduced to the Exercise some 25 years ago. This, of course, is as green as ever in the memory of us old composers. Without this style of calling, the linking up of the sections of composition, there would have been small scope for junior composers in the method for several years past, but with it composition goes merrily on, variations or otherwise.
But with the collection by the Central Coancil the reckoning day for variations is sure to come, when, let us hope, these keynotes mentioned by C. H. H. will give a clue to satisfaction. But fos disappointments we must "Wait and see." The keynotes are many and various. Here are some of them:-
$M$ W M W

To some composers, those who first used these "keynotes" or con
nections, can be pointed out.-Yours faithfully, HY. DAINS.

## NORWICH ASSOCIATION.

A district meeting w"is held at Wrentham and Covehithe on WhitMonday, and was well attended by members from Bungay, Barsham, Brampton. Wecthall, Wissatt. Chediston. Leiston, Beccies, and Ditchingham. Toriches in the following methods were rung: Stedman, Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles, and Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Bob Minor, and various touches of Grandsire Triples and Bob Major on the handbells.
HARPENDEN, HERTS-On Sunday, April 6th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: C. Dellar 1, R. Coburn 2, $\pm$ W. Hill 3, H. Jarman 4, D. Dellar 5, tA. Day 6, B. Jarman (conductor) 7, *B. Coote 8. *First quarter. + First quarter with inside bell.

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## BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS. MANCHESTER.

By J. R. Jerram.

I have no information about any bells in this Cathedral before the present peal of ten, and can do little more than give the inscriptions on these.

The tower contains a peal of ten bells, with a tenor ${ }_{51}$ inches in diameter, weighing about 24 cwt. The inscriptions are as follows:-

Treble.
R. SMITH, B. TURNER, R. ORMROD, C: WARDENS, 1825:I. R. FECT:

Second.
IOHN RUDHALL FECT 1825.
Third.
A. R.

Fourth.
R.D : G.C: I.L: ${ }^{\text {fog }}$ GIVEN BY MANCHESTER.


Fifth.
SCLI DEC GLCRIA. Izo6.
Sixth.
RECAST BY ABEL RVDHALL. $1 / 49$. Seventh.
ABRAHAM RYDHALL BELL FOVNDER.
SAVE THE QVEEN \& CHYRCH. ェоб.

## Eighth.

WE WARE ATL CAS' IN GLOVCESTER. izo6. PRCSPERITY TC ALL CYR BENEFACTORS \& THIS CHVRCH. LET ILL SAY AMEN.

Ninth.
[This bell is much corroded. All that is legible is:]
A.R. Ifob Joha C.
C. 1 V .

Tenor.
I WAS RECAST AT GLCLCESTER AT THE EXPENCE OF THE IJRISH. ISI5. THOS SALTER, JOSIAH KEARSLEY, THOS BRIERLY CHURCH WARDENS.

All these bells were cast before the church became a〔Catind"a', whih was not till 1848 .

## ODD CHANGES.

The new peal of eight bells, the tenor of which has been given by Mr. W. H. Fussell, has arrived at St. Mary's Church, Slough, and will be dedicated on June igth.

Mr. W. H. Barber writes: The footnote to the peal of Treble Bob Major rung at Carshalton and published in your issue of May i6th is incorrect, as the same peal was conducted from a non-observation bell on November i2th, I896, at King's Norton by the late Mr. IV. T. Pritchett.

Messrs. Barwell, Ltd., are to be congratulated upon the successful way in which they have spliced in the new second bell at St. Martin's, Birmingham. It is a very fine bell, and harmonises perfectly with the remainder of the noble ring for which Birmingham is famed.

Mr. Sam Thomas, of Sheffield, has now called Stedman Cinques in all the twelve bell towers in Lancashire, and all three peals have been rung at the first attempt.

After all, nothing came of Mr. Samuel Thurstans' challenge, a hundred years ago, to ring with any men in England for one hundred pounds. From the paragraph which appeared in the "Norfolk Chronicle" of that time and which we quoted a fortnight ago, it will be remembered that the ringers of St. Peter Mancroft, " in order to prevent any person from being imposed upon by fallacious pretences, feel it incumbent upon them to accept the challenge, although at first they were inclined to pass it with the silent contempt it merits." The conditions were that they should meet in any twelve-bell steeple not less than 100 miles from Norwich, with eleven men selected from London.

The " Norfolk Chronicle " of i813 contained the following, which shows how the remarkable challenge and its acceptance fizzled out :-
The Company of Ringers of St. Peter's of Mancroft think it a duty they owe to themselves and the Public to state that Mr. Samuel Thurston declines to meet a person appointed by them, in consequence of his general Challenge, on the Terms mentioned in their advertiseemnt of last week, or on any other, which are likely to secure a judicious and impartial decision on the different Merits of the Competitors, or that are fair and equitable between the parties.

Another interesting paragraph, reminding us of what happened a century ago, comes to hand from Worcestershire. "Berrow's Worcester Journal," of May i3th, 18 г3, contained the following :-
On Saturday last an open peal was rung at Hartlebury Church, between the Hartlebury ringers and the Elmley ringers for half-a-guinea, when the latter won the peal. There were a great number of persons assembled in the churchyard for the purpose of hearing the peal. Botin peals were rang with great steadiness and firmness.

THE SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.
A very erjoyable meeting of the Western Division of the Sussex Association was held at Shorelam, on Saturday week. Touches of Double Norwich, Treble Dob. Bob Major and Stedman Triples were rung during the afternoon and evening, ringers being present from Arundel, Aldrington, Brighton (St. Peter's), Heene, Steyning, and Shipley, together with the local band. Twentyseven sat down to a meat tea at the Church Hall, the Vicar (the Rev. C. M. A. Tower) presiding, supported by Mr. F. B. Tompkins (Master). Mr. Elhman F:own (ehurchwarden), and the divisional secretary (Mr. H. Evans).-At. the subseguent business meeting, the chairman was elected an hon. member of the Association, and on the motion of the Master, was heartily thanked for presiding and for granting the use of the bells.Tho Vicar, in replying, gave the ringers a weloome to Shoreham, and this was endorsed by Mr. Churchwarden Brown.-A ringers' service was subsequently held, at which a very appropriate address was given by the Vierr from the words: "A colden bell and a pomegranate." The tower was again visited after the service.

## HERE AND THERE.

One of the oldest members of the Rossendale Branch of the Lancs Association Mr. Jonathan Wolstenholme, of Ramsbottom, left for Canada on Saturday week, carrying with him the good wishes of a large circle of ringing friends. Mr. Wolstenholme has been a ringer for 32 years, and was one of the founders of the Rossendale branch. He had rung a considerable number of peals for the Lancs Association, and, as a farewell, a peal of Grandsire Triples as recorded last week was rung at St. Nicholas' Church, Newchurch, Lanes. It was originally intended to ring the peal at Ramsbottom, but owing to illness it was transferred to Newchurch, to which tower all the ringers belonged except Messrs. Leach and Haydock (Ramsbottom), and J. B. Taylor (TVaterfoot).

Two peals on church bells in one day by a lady has not yet, we belicve, been rung, but Miss Evelyn Steel, of Bedford, was almost successful on Whit-Tuesday. She took part in an attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples at Higham Ferrers, but after two hours' ringing, a shift course occurred in the 13 th part. Although somewhat downhearted, six of the party cycled to Woodford in the afternoon, where they rang a good peal of Minor. Afterwards, Miss Steei cycled back to Bedford, a distance of 21 miles. Not a bad performance for anyone, but for a lajy it was really prodigious.

The Lancashire Association, which was formed at Liverpool in 1876, will return to ite birthplace for the annual meeting this year. The gathering takes place on October 4th, when, according to present arrangements, the Bishop of Liverpool will be the preacher

Much sympathy doubtless will be felt for the band of the Ancient Society of College Youths, who made such a gallant attempt for the first peal of Stedman Cinques on Worcester Oathedral bells on WhitMonday. In every way great difficulties were experienced, and we are told by those outside that the ringing was good-the best in the method ever lieard there. Permission had been granted to Mr. F. E. Dawe for this special honour some 29 years ago, in the time of Lond A. Iwyn Campton, Canon Cattley, and Sir Edmund Beckett, but a continuity of obstacles intervencd to prevent the attempt being made until now, and it is indeed very hard luck to find that owing to a painful eye trouble, from which he was suffering on the day of the attempt, but from which he has now happily completely recovered, Mr. Dawe unfortunately made a miss call in the 28 th course, after ringing 2 hrs. and 45 mins. in the most creditable manner. The band was: $C$. F. Winney 1, T. H. Taffender 2, H. Langdon 3, T. Miller 4, T. H. Reeves 5, A. Paddon Smith 6, F. E. Dawe (conductor) 7, J. H. Shepherd 8, J. George 9, R. T. Hibbert 10, A. B. Peck 11, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn 12. Tenor, 50 cwt. in D flat. The conductor afterwards pre tented to each of the band an excellent mounted photo of the Cathe dral, recently taken by himself. All concerned wish heartily to thank the Dean and Chapter, and particularly Canon Whatley, for thei kindness to the visitors, and also the Rev. G. F. Coleridge for his kind intervention on their belalf.

At the tower of the Perkiu's Institution, Boston, U.S.A., on the evening of May 9 th, a meeting of the local ringers was held to welcome the latest arrival from England, Mr. Richard Newton, of Manchester, who had landed the previous day. Touches of Grandsire were rung upon both tower and handbells.

Mr. C. F. Winney writes: It is interesting to read of Dr. Nicholls ringing Doubles at home in Boston. When in England the doctor rang 5-6 on handbells with a mixed company who rang one each to many six-scores of Stedman Doubles in the train on our return from Bristol with the Kensington Guild. Other members of the Guild could not get into the carriage with us, otherwise we should have rung Triples It is also interesting to recall that Dr. Nicholls rang 7-8 to three quarter-peals of Stedman Triples, and to a dozen or more 504's. We were getting well into swing for a peal when the good doctor had to terminate his delightful tisit to London.

At St. Peter's Clurch, Tunbridge Wells, on Whit-Sunday, a quarter peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major (1328 changes) was rung in 48 mins. by: J. Muggridge 1, S. J. Perkins, junr., 2, G. Thompson 3, A Verralls 4. W. Smith 5, W. Latter 6, J. Milner 7, S. Perkins, senr (conductor) 8. This quarter-peal was rung as a farewell to S. J. Perkins, who was leaving next day for Boston, U.S.A., with the best wishes of his brother ringers for good health and prosperity both to him and to Mr. J. Laker, also a member of the band, who is joining "Jack" Perkins for Boslon. $\Lambda$ farewell peal of Double Norwich was attempted on May 8th, but it unfortunately came to grief after 2 hrs ringing. Those whe took part are all members of St. Peter's band, except J. Milner, who hrits from Tonbridge.

Mr. Terbrert Sheppard, of Dudley, writes to tender his heartfelt thanks to all the members of the Dudley and District Guild for their kind message of sympathy extended to him, at their annual gathering, in his long and continued illness.

The first attempt for a peal on the back ten bells of St. Nicholas: Cathedral, Liverpool, by the present practising company was made on Whit-Monday, when Grandsire Caters was attempted, but lost after 3 hrs. 18 mins., owing to the eleventh rumning dry. The band hape that on the next occasion they easay the task thein efforts will be crowned with success. The ringers were: J. Wilkinson 1, T. Hammond, junr., 2, G. R. Newton (conductor) 3, J. Allen 4, T. Murray 5, E. Caunce 6, E. J. Oliver 7, E. Breese 8, W. Davies 9, J. Turner 10. The tenor is $39^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Congratulations to $M r$. E. Bartram on being the youngest member of the Warwickshire Guild to score a peal of Caters. After the peal at Melton Mowbray he was congratulated upon his excellent striking. Mr. Bartram is only 17 years of age.

For a young lady to ring a date touch in celebration of her own elerenth birthday is quite unique. But this Miss Ruth Johnson, of Hinton, did on Wednesday week, the 1913 clanges being made up of Plain Bub, Canterbury Pleasure, St. Dunstan's and Grandsire Doubles, The complete six-scorcs had different callings, and the handbells were rung by Miss E. M. Johnson 1-2, J. D. Johnson (conductor) 3-4, Miss R. Johnson 5-6.

After tho funsral of Mr. R. Cozens, for many years sexton at St Mary's, Whitcinureh, near Cardiff, on Saturday, a quarter-pea! ol Grandsire Doubles was rung with the bells muffled by: J. Bailey 1, W. Biss (conductor) 2, L. Wright 3, E. Coles 4, T. Chamberlain 5, T Middleton 6.

## SURFLEET'S PEAL OF TEN.

## BELLS DEDICATED IN THE CHURCH.

On Thursday week, the Lord Bishop of Lincoln visited Surfleet to derlicate the bells. The six old bells lave been sent to Loughborough, and the 3rd, which was cracked in the head and unusually light, and tenor recast. The old tenor was a very poor bell, weighing $9_{4}^{4} \mathrm{cw}$, ., in $F$, and the recast bell is a very great improvement. The other four have been properly tuned, and four trebles added to make a ring of ten In the mann-r of dedication an old custom was revived, the bells being placed on the floor of the clurch, in full sight of the congregation, fo: the ceremony. Selvice began at 2.30 , and the bells were dedicated after the sacond lesson. The Bishop, clergy and ohoir going down to the tower for the purpose, where the bells were arranged upon the floon in a circle, moutin upwards. Appropriate versicles and responses, and Psalms 29 and 150, were sang, followed by five collects and the blessing of the six new bells, which were named by his Iordship. The ten bells were then chimed round, evensong concluded, and a sermon preached by the Bishop from the words of Purcell's bell anthem
Another service followed at 7.30 p.m., the preacher being the Rer. If B. Woolley, of Long Stanton, and the collections at both services anounting to $£ 2$ 3s. $11 \frac{1}{2} d$.. were for the rastoration of the Ringers Chapel in Lincoln Minster.

## THE BELLS

The inscription, name and weights of the bells are as follows:-
Treble. CUM VOCO VFNITE, S. Matthew, 2 ewt. 1 qr. 18 lbs.
VENITE FXVIJTEMVS DOMCNO, S. Mark, 2 cwt. 1 qi'. 26 lbs.
3. S.TT NOMEN DOMINI BENEDICTVM, S. Luke, 2 cwt. 3 qrs 25 liss.
4. IN MVLTTS ANNIS RESONET CAMPANA IOHANNIS, S John, 3 cwt. 2 grs. 1 lb
5. S. LAVRENCE. GOD SAVE THE KING, MDCCCCII, 4 cwt 1 qr. 12 lbs.
ohn Sharpe, C. W. T. Broninin, Toby Norris cast me 1695 (Pancake Bell), 4 cwt. 2 grs. 0 lbs.
Omnia fiant ad gloriam Dei, E. Ward, P. Pedder, 1618. recast 1913 (S. Gilbert), 6 owt. 0 qrs. 20 l.bs.
8. William Walker, C. W. R. Curtis, Tohy Norris cast me 1695. Recast as the gift of Mr. Alfred Smith, Church warden, 1900. 7 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lbes.
9. Edowardus Heron Miles Bamei. Omnia fiant ad Gloriam Dei, I. IACSON. R. SMITH, 1607. 8 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lbs.

Tenor. NON CT,AMOR SED AMOR CANTAT IN AVRE DEI, IOMN LOWES. 1608.
Henry Law James, M.A., Vicar; John Richardson, W. Erison Burrell,
Churchwardens. Recast 1813. (Name, S. Hugh), 12 cwt. 0 qrs. 9 lbs.
The letters on the four trebles are the large capitals and smaller ones, arranged in the same manner as on the old bells at Somerby, near Brigg, Lines. On the waist. the treble has a figure of S. Mat thew in high relief, the 2nd S. Mark. the 3rd S. Luke, and the 4th S. John. On the opposite sides of the wast of each of these four is Taylor's foundry mark and the date 1913. and on tine remaining faces a cross copicd from Skegness, Lincs. These fonir bells have been cast in the modiæval style. The fifth has lelters copicd from South Somerccates, Lincs. The 6th has Tobv Norris' letters ard s'amps, and the 9 hth has some fine Gothic letters for its Tatin inscription, the rest being Toby Norris usual letter and stamps. These two balls have not been recast. The 7th, 8th and tenor have 'Toby Norris' letters and marks all accurately reproduced, with Taylor's mark and recast, the 8t! 1900 , and the other two in 1915.


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## THE ANALYSIS COMMTTTEE'S DIFFICULTIES

The adoption of the report of the Analysis Committee (already published in these columns) was moved by Mr. A. T. King, who sad the committee had had very considerable difficulty over the analysis, and he thotight they were entitled to a great amount of sympathy. They had done the best they could, but they found that the formula which was bequeathed to then as to Minor methods by the Peal Values Committee was not $r \in a l l y$ workable and they were not able to combine it with any schedule arranged in order of merit, because the liberal allowance given for six bells gave some societies an average for their Minor methods double the amount of the average for their peals in methods on seven bells and upwards. That showed that the points were too liberal, and that there was no kind of common denominator between the two kinds of values. Therefore, the committee had made out the schedule in alphabetical order, and at the same time they had made suggestions for the Minor methods, which would come pefore the Council-Mr. Griffin seconded the adoption of the report.
The President said the reports of the committee, which was the hardest worked committee that the council had got, dealt with a number of very complicated points, and it was quite impossible that the Council could discuss all those points at that meeting. What the committee wanted, as he understood it, was that they should be allowed to work the analysis during the present year upon the principles laid down in those reports.
Mr. King said the difficulty had been that owing to the scale for Minor bequeathed to them they could not find any common denominator without bsing unfain to one side or the other. It might be said, if they were libaral to the Minor methods, why not raise the value of the other metbods. The committee considered that point, and they found it was better on the whole to remain as close as they could to the old figures, correcting them according to the light of their most recent information. Therefore, very reluctantly they had to ask the Council to accept the tabular statement in alphabetical order for the past year, but he hoped when the members discussed the labours of the committee, which had taken a considerable amount of time and a great stock of patience, they would not adopt the spirit of the armchair philosopher. Let them remember that the committee had gone through the mill; they had had sleepless nights and laborious days. Their recommendations and the form of the analysis were the best they could suggest; he did not think anybody could get more than a fair approximation of the true relative values. The committee considered that everybody had received fair treatment, if yot with mathematical accuracy, and he asked the Council to accopt their report and give it a trial (applause)
The Rer. E. W. Carpenter (who is also a member of the committee) said one point ought to be made clear with regard to the analysis, and that they felt obliged to present it in alphabetical order, because the points they had for the two divisions were incompatible. The alphabetical list was only a temporary expedient, and if the report of the committee was accepted, the points for Minor would work in with the points on the higher number of bells, and all peals could be included
Mr. G. Bolland said Mr. King seemed to think the Minor methods were getting a better proportion of points than the peals on higher numbers of bells. If they worked it out on the scale published last year, he thought the six-bell ringers would be satisfied, and he hoped the committee would not be deterred from carrying out the previous decision of the Council.
Mr. King said no wonder Mr. Bolland was satisfied, beoause the scale adopted last year brought the average of the Yorkshire Minor peals out to just double those of their peals on seven bells and upwards -a concrete case which proved that the Minor peals were valued too highly.
Mr. King: You ring higher methods, Mr. Bolland, and you will get higher points.
the moral value of peals.
Mr. G. P. Burton said he thought they ought to take a broader view of the analysis. It did not affect him very much whether the Minor points werc more than they ought to be or not. Ought they not to consider first how these points were encouraging bell ringing for Sunclay services and Church festivals? He would like to propose. not to alter the existing schedule, but that something should be done to encourage ringing on those occasions when they wanted it.
The President: Is your meaning that you would give more points for peals rung upon ecclesiastical occasions?
Mr. Burton said that was so. He would like to suggest that they should discriminate and bring forward a scheme of preference. For instance, he should suggest that, if a peal were rung for a greai
Church festival or red-letter day, or on a vigil, they shoukl place 10 per Church festival or red-letter day, or on a vigil, they should place 10 per
cent. on the points for that paal. He should also say minus 10 per cent. for Goorl Friday peals. There was a great, deal to be said for and against Good Friday ringing, but he was certain Good Friday plus 10 per cont. of the points for any one ringer. For example, if tplus 10 per cent. of the points for any one ringer. For example, if
there was a peal of Bob Major rung and two of the ringers took
part in the method for the first time, he would put ten per cent. on for each, and if it was the first peal by the whole eight ringers, he would put ten per cent. on for everyone. There was no real object in peal ringing as they had now got it; they must face the facts. When they got the associations together they made a great advance, and there was a sort of cloak of ecclesiastical responsibility thrown over ringers. Then the Council came on the field, and this consolidation of peal ringing took place. Finally, they got to this high state of perliection in which they lad classified cverything and got these mar. vellous results, but, he asked, to what end was all this? It furthered the ringing of higher methods, but didl they mot want to go a step further? They wanted the ringing done on certain occasions, but they did nothing to enoourage it, and nothing to discriminate. If they discriminated in the case where peals were rung by known Sunday ringers, it would all help forward their ideals. Then for handbelis peals le wotild take off 50 per cent. They were quite a nice amuscment, but as regards church work and helping forward church bell ringing they did very little indeed.
Thre Hon. Secretary: You will have to rescind a resolution of the Council to do that, because we have got a resolution of the Council recognising peals on handbells.
Mr. Burton said he put it to the Council that they wanted to do something on the lines he had suggested. They had simply piled up this worle on this Analysis Committea with no real objcct. Coukd they not monld it in some way so that it would have some bearing upon their ideals?

## MMPRACTICABLE

The President suggested that Mr. Burton's suggestion might more oonveniently come up on a later motion, regarding the increase of peal ringing, which stood on the agenda. He was perfectly entitlcd to more in the matter at that point, although it seemed to him the President) peritectly futile, when they were discussing the technical valuo of peal points, to raise a discussion on the moral value of a paal. He did not see how they could by any possibility mix up the two. The only way in which the Analysis Committee had been able to come to any sort of arrangement at all was by putting on one side quite a number of items that ought really to weigh in the matter. Of conrse, a peal that was rung with a 40 cwt. tenor ought really to count more than one rung with a 10 cwt. tenor, and practically the sams argument applied to handbells, but it had all been put on one side because it brought in complications that it was impossible to deal with. It had all been discussed before, and the only new point was that the moral value of peals should be considered. He was entirely with Mir. Burton in his dosire that peals should be rung more
for ecclesiastical purposes, but he thought the Council wonld agree for ecclesiastical purposes, but he thought the Council wonld agree
ihat it was useless to embark upon a discussion on points for moral value.
Mr. King said he would not like it to go forth that there was an absencs of that moral behaviour, that had been spoken of, amongst ringers. With regard to his own association, among those constantly ringing peals, he coulds not think of one person who did not do his Sunday ringing, and was it not the same in almost every society? Why should they not ring peals for pleasure if they did thein on a Sunday? He did not think they would get any benefit Eurton's suggestion, even if it were possible to assess the value
The Rev. W. P. Wright raised the question of the omission of the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association from the analysis, and was explained that the peals by this association were inchided among and did not send on its subscription this yoar in time to ha peals reckoneí serarately.-Mr. King said it would be possible cut a separate list of the Cleveland Association peals, but the Presi dent said he did not tinink it would be wise, because associations ought to pay their subscriptions at the right time. What was the adrantage of the othe:'s paying their subscriptions promptly if those that
wera late were to receive the same treatment? Mr. Griffin said as a wera late were to receive the same treatment?-Mr. Griffin said as a
member of the Analysis Committee he very strongly objected to any alteration being made.
The reports were accepted, and the Rev. G. F. Coleridge moved, and the Kev. W. W. C. Baker secondrd. that the committer proceet to to the meeting, the President sid they once more recognised the extrems interest of the analysis. There were different views as to whether it was desirable, and whether it was usaful, but it was a matter of extreme interest. It would be a great pity if this amalysis committee for not putting the various associations in order of merit this year. It detracted to a certain extent from the interest in the analysis, but it $x$ as ouly for a year that had been rather broken by would not occur again.
The motion was carried. together with the hearly thanks of the Council, to the committee for their services
On resuming after the loncheon interval, the IIon. Secretary read a letter from the Rev. H. S. 'T. Richardson, in which he stated that as regards tio? Peal Collection there was nothines actually ready for The Pross at present, but the first part of tha Treble Bob collection could be published if desired.

A talegram was also received from Mr. R. A. Daniell, saying he was sorry that he had been unable to complete the Literature Committea's report as he had not beell well enough to go on with the work.

## TOWERS AND BELTRIES.

The Hon. Secretary then read the interim report of the Towers and Belfries Committee, which was as follows:-
At the meeting of the Council in 1912, a Belfry Committee was appointed to endeavour to get into touch with the Royal Institute of Eritish Architects, and with the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, for the purpose of obtaining recognition by these bodies of the improved modern methods of arranging and hanging bells. A Heywoot's house, in London, when all the members were present. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided: (1) That, as a first step, the views of experts in regard to the best arrangement of towers for the reeption of the bells and the most recent practice in bell hanging, should be incorporated in a short pamphlet to be issued with the authority of the Council; and, (2) that this pamphlet should be brought to the notice of the above-mentioned societies in such manner as might subsequently be considered most opportune, in respect of which latter point a number of useful suggestions were made. Sir Arthur Heywood undertook to draft the required pamphlet, and to circulate it to the other members of the committee for alteration and addition after the manner adopted in several cases by other committees of the Council. Appended is a letter now submitted by him to them which explains itself. In whatever way the Council decide that the required panphlet shall be produced, the committee will do tineir best to bring toffectivcly to the notice of those whose interest it is necessary to engag

To the members of the Belfry Committee, Duffield, May, 1913. I underiook, when this committee met in March, to draft the rough copy of a pamphlet dealing with the matters submitted to us by the might graft their views.

I spent some time in attempting to construct a suitable framework for the purpose but failed for the following reasons. During the past 30 years, I have personally and pretty constantly been dealing with the problems involved. Also since the appointment of the Belfry Committee, I have been collecting a good deal of information from rarious quarters, of which that liberally supplied to me by Messers.
l'aylor, of Loughborough, is the most valuable. In attempting to collate this information into pamphlet form, I found it impossible to do so without making my personal experiences the basis of the text, which text, of course, the other members could not endorse.
text, therefore, suggest that the Council be asked to select one or other of the two following proposals: (1) That I shculd complete the already half-written pamphlet as entirely my work; publish it with the sanction, but not necessarily with the concurrence of the Council, at my own expense, and allow the committee to make such use of it as they please; (2) that another member of the committee should undertake the draft, in which case I would gire all the information in my power, and the pamphlet would be published as the work of the committee with the authority (after submission), and at the expense, of
the Council.

## OLD IDEAS TO BE MODIFIED.

The Hon. Secretary said that in addition, another document, which was most raluable, had been sent to him by Mr. E. H. Lewis. It consisted of a. most thorough-going mathematical examination into the question of strains and stresses put upon bell frames and the towers in connection with the ringing of bells. Continuing, the Hon. Secretary said he felt very strongly that the Council could only accept the first alternative which the President very kindly offered them (applause).
They all knew, from what Sir Arthur had done before, that he was excesdingly thorough, and in this case it would embody his very varied experience extending over many years, and the Council would do well to accept that first alternative. He moved the adoption of the report
and the acceptance of Sir Arthur's offer. Mr. J. Griffin seconded. The President said he was much obliged to the Council for accepting is offer, and he proceeded to go more fully into the reasons why it was better that a pamphilet, such as that proposed, should be the work of ont individual. He added that the theories which Mr. Lewis of the stresses of bells on frames and towers wrould have to be sublea if very considerable modification. They had always had the eas, but wind two bells thung side by side and swinging the same wald cornter-balance one anothor when rung. Mr. Lewis most con. clusively pruver that while that was perfectly true, if the bells were approximately the same weight and pulled of at the same time, it Was by wo means true if they were rung in changes or rounds, and not explain how it was, but it was a fact that the strains of these bells cane to mether, and were cumulative at certain periods. He intended to ask Mr. Lewis to put into a form, as intelligible as possible to the ordinary person, the theories he had worked out he had not yet concluded his inquiry-and to allow him to add it os an appendix to the pamplilet ho proposed to bring out. He would also be glad of any other information, either from members of the Council or anyone else, Which he could put in, over the names of those wino supplied it, which
would be raluable to the subject they would be raluable to the subject they had to deal with. He did not think it would be long before the pamphlet would bo ready, and after that they wonld undertake that representations should be made to the Institute of British Arohitects and to the Society for the Protection
of Ancient Buildings in, so far as they were able to judge, the most effective manner possible. They felt that in the first place they should have something or other that they could place, in these people's hands, and say, "There are our contentions." How it was to bo brought before them was a matter for the committee to decide. The report was adopted.

## EFFECT OT BELLS ON FRAMES.

Mr. E. A. Young said since the subject was monted he had approached other members of the Institute of British Architects, and the matter was more alive than it was. The secretary had made a note of it, so that it could be brought up at an early opportunity, and at the Science Committee it was to be disoussed very shortly. This would all help to ventilate it.
The President said he would like to point out Mr. Lewis's inquiry into this matter might not be intelligible to a very large number of architects or to the members of the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, but it would impress them (hear, hear, and laughter).

Mr. Lewis said he must confess that it was a little bit from that point of view that he approached the subject (laughter), but he did not know at the time how interesting it was going to be. He had found that the problem was nuch deeper, and the results much different to what he expected when he started. If they got two bells roped on opposite sides and swinging in the same direction and pulled off in rounds the maximum thrust of the bells almost exactly coincided, and they got a thrust practically twice the weight of the two bells to-gether-actually nearly 13 the weight of each bell plus the headstock. He had been very much indebted to Mr. Cyril Johnston for some information with regard to the moments of inertia of a bell, and also to Mr. 'Caylor for information. There wers one or two experiments which he would like to get the opportunity of carrying out, and Mr . Taylor had offered to carry them out for him, which would tend to solve the problem wihich was favoured by the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, that it was a good thing to have a spring frame. It was almost impossible to convince the society that they were wrong, but he thought it was possible by certain experiments to prove that with spring frames the action on the tower was the same as with a rigid frame, with this difference, that the movement in a spring frame had got to be supplied by the ringer (laughter'). If they had a rigid tower and frame there was comparatively little work, and any work to be done in a rocking tower, due to the twisting of the frame, had to be done by tha ringer who preferred only to ring the bell, but that was a point they could not get these people to see (langhter). The one point he had come to was not to hape bells swinging in one direction. Lord Grimthorpe's work on this subject was one of the standard works consulted by architects. and he was now quite convinced that hord Grimthorpe's idea was wrong, and that it was best to divide the meight at right angles as far as possible by, say, haring the treble, fourth, fifth and tenor swirging in one direction, and the second, third, sixth and seventh in the other.

## THE ATTITUDE OF THE PUBLIC TOWARDS RINGGNG.

The Council then pioceededs to discuss "The possibility of an unfarourable change in the attitude of the general public towards bell ringing as a result of the increasing number of peals annually rung."
The President said he was anxious that they should hare a serious and thoughtful discussion on this matter. It was a surbject that many of them might realise the gravity of, others might not, but it was one which he thonght they ought to discuss with a rery real sense of ihe possibility of a grave interference with their ringing.
The Rer. H. J. Eisee, who introduced the motion, said he believed the subject was of very great practical importance to ringers and the whole community, as far as they were concerned with the bells. The linging of bells had always given him such keen enjoyment that he hater the thought that the use of the bells could give anything but enjoyment to other people. What were the facts of the case at present? Ho supposed that they were conscions of two things. First of all that there was a great increase in the number of rings of bells in England. and also a rast increase in the number of peals that were rung. For the latter there were two chief reasons, first of all the great spread of the Exercise-ringers were wastly more mamerous today than they were and ringers, as a whole, had reached a vastly higher level of proficiency than they used to in change ringing. There were two other reasons. One was mechanical, due to the bell hangers who hung the bells so well that the labour of ringing was reduced to a minimum; the other was that facilities for travelling were so great that ringers could very easily meet together at a tower many miles from their own home, and make up a band at almost any time. In the old days, he supposed, peals were generally rung by local bands in connection with some loeal occasion; they were the occasions in which the people of the place took a considerable interest; they were proud of the prowess of their local band, or it might be they were keenly interested in the occasion for which the bells were rung. Nowadays it was different. A great many peals were rung when the people who heard the bells did not know who the ringers were, or why tho bells were rung, and he was afraid rery often they were very often rung without much consideration for local feeling, or even for local conrenience. He supposed they ought to consider that the bells were in the tower not just for the enjoyment of the ringers, but mainly for the enjoyment, and for the use of the people who had to listen to them. We lived in a sensitive age, and in an increasing atmosphere
of noise, and sooner or later the public would become as sensitive to noise as to other things and then, as the President had hinted, there might be trouble in store for ringers. There were some towers, of course, in which they might ring as many peals as they liked, and they would be practically no inconvenience to anybody, and there were some in their great towns, such, for instance, as the Cathedral at Manchester', that were surrounded by offices, and where in the evening, with a little consideration they might ring the bells with very little somplant from anybody. But the majority of towers where they rang were so placed that the poise of the bells must be an inconvenience were so placed that the no a de bells were rung for a considerable time. Nome of his friends might say tiley should brick up the windows. It was true that much might be done, and he hoped that architects would take scme suggestions from the committee whose report they had just been considering. and put the bells lower than the windows, but all the same they did not want to brick up the windows so that the bells could not be heard. The purpose of bells was that they should be heard by the people round about. The bells existed for the people without and not mainly for the ringers within. It might also be said that unless they had some such stimulus as that provided by peal ringing, they would find it velry difficult to keep an efficient band together. He knew that very well, and whether they could set some better standard for points was another question. He thought they had rather drifted into a forcen standard in mensuring the efficiency of their ringing. They were too apt to test it by the number of peals rung, and by the value reckoned in points for those peals. If they had a false standard could that Council not begin to set a better standard which ringers wight try and approximate to? He was afraid that sometimes ringers were in danger of ringing for the number of peals that were going to stand against their name, or the points that were going to stand to their credit in the analysis. He was not going to move any resolution, and the was prepared to find the majority of the Council up in arms against him, but he hoped that what he had to say would provide food for thought, and that gradually they might come to think hat peal ringing was not the only standard. Did they think too much of their ringing for their own enjoyment, and too little for the enjoyment and pleasure they were going to give to others. He admitted that peal ringing was valuable for producing good ringers and a good standard of ringing. With regard to that popular institution-ringing tous-he would throw out the suggestion that instead of ringing two or three peals a day, they should have another object-providing as much pleasure as possible for the public, and instead of a peal at each tower, let them enjoy two or three good tonches of half-an-hour each. He did not, however, want to do away with peal ringing, but would suggest that peals shou!d be reserved for special occasions-for local and national events when ringing the bells would be recognised on all hands as the proper way to celebrate them. Then again, when a local band was learning a new method, it would be reasonable to allow them to ring a peal in that new method on its own bells, but he thought they should place a limit on the number of peals that were rung without local significance. He felt that they ringers were trustees of which was very specially an English art, and in the old day Englishmen loved their bells, and loved to hear them ring. They, to-day, were the trustees, and he asked them whether they should try and use their Exervise to fulfil that trusteeship in such a way that Englishmen of all kinds should still love the bells and love to hear them ring (applause).

## (To be continued)

## A DERBY GRIEVANCE.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-We seldom have much to complain of in Derby as regards rules, etc., re the use of the belfries, but I feel sure I am voicing the opinion of the majority of chancre ringers in Derby when I complain of the new rules recently issued by the authorities at St. Peter's. The rules taken en bloc are a little far-fetched, but the last clause in Rule I states that no ladies are to be allowed in the belfry. Why this restriction, when at the moment of writing the first annual meeting has bee held (at Birmingham) in connection with the "Ladies' Guild?" We have only had one lady attempt change ringing in the town, and I am proud to state that she has been a Sunday School scholar and teacher for a number of years, and that at St. Peter's. Surely there jg nothing to be suggested against this Church worker entering the belfry, especially as she was always accompanicd by a relation. We feel as a body of bell ringers that we are not looked rupon in a true light, as I can safely say that no town in England an beat Derby as regards belfry etiquette and also behaviour. I trust on behalf of my fellow ringers in Derby that the authorities of St. Peter's will withdraw the clause from rule I, which is so objec-tionable.- Yours faithfully,
B. MITCHELL.

## JOSEPH RIDYARD'S 150 PEALS.

Grandsire Trinles, 9; Major, 1; Caters, 3; Cinques, 1; Erin Triples, 1; Stedman Triples, 38 (a); Caters, 3 ; Cinques, 2 ; Bob Major, 7 ; Bob Maximus, 1; Treble Bob Maior, 48 (b); Royal, 6; Maximus, 5; Superlative Surprise Major, 3; Double Norwich Major, 22 (c); total, 150. 12,000 , the longest length rung by the Lancashire Association; (c) includes a 7,200 , the longest length rung by the Lancashire Association. Each of these was conducted by Joseph Ridyard.

## THE LANC ASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## HALF-YEARLY MEETING AT BURY.

A representative gathering of some 40 members aud friends from 15 different towers were present at Bury on Saturday, on the occasion of the hall-yearly meeting of the Lancashire Association. During the afternoon, touches of Grandsire, Kent and Stedman were rung, and afterwards tiae members adjourned to the Institute, where, under the chrirmanship of the Rev. H. J. Elsee (President), the business meeting was held. The President gave a restume of the proceedings at the Central Council meeting. Some discussion ensued, particularly on the question of the occasions for peal ringing, and the view was expressed that the report of a debate upon such a subject should have been reserved fcr the ringing papers, and should not bave been allowed to go forth in the general Press.
The Sceretary (Mr W. H. Shukar) raised the question of strangere going into their towers, ringing peals and forgetting to pay their subscriptions, which resulted in peals having to be omitted from the reports, and causing a great deal of trouble in the search among over a thousand nimes, to find out if the ringer is on the membership roll. It would save a great cleal of time, he pointed out, if ringers would introduce their friends to the branch secretaries as soon as possible.
This matter led to a discussion on the advisability of combined action by the different associations to introduce a scheme to replace the present method applicd to the non-resident element.

A letter was received from the Rector regretting that owing to illhealth he was unable to be present at the meeting. - Afterwards, the members attended evensong, and subsequently returned to the belfry for further ringing.-At the close, thanks were accorded to the authorities and ringers for having contributed to the comfort and enjoyment of the visitors.

## WORKSOP PRIORY CHURCH SOCIETY'S <br> OUTING.

One of the most interesting and enjoyable outings, in which the Priory Church, Worksop, ringers, have participated, was held on WhitMonday, when uhey visited Brigg and Scunthorpe, the latter place being the "Gold Mine" of the Great Central Railway. Having reached Brigg by train, the party at once proceeded by brake to Scun thorpe, a distance of eight miles. The morning was beautifully fine, and not a drop of rain was seem the whole day, but Old King Sol came out in his full glory, and the elements were tempered with a nice south-wcsterly breeze. The fields, the hedgerows, and the woodland scenery were just in the full beauty of new foliage and blossom, and one might travel very far indeed without finding a fairer prospect than that. presented to view in this district. Scunthorpe was reached at 11 fi.m., and the cycling contingent of the Gainsborough ringers, and Mr. welcome the visitors, and the company had the pleasure of completing everything they attempted on the bells in the methods of Grandsire, Union, Plain Bob, Treble Bob, College Single and Stedman. In tho afternoon. Fradingham Fair was visited, and, after returning to the tower for more touchos, the party left for Brigg. Prior to 1893 Scunthorpe possessed only one bell, the full octave (tenor 18 cwt .) being then put in by Messrs. Taylor and Sons, of Loughborough, and the splendid "go"" and the sweetness and purity of tone leave nothing to be desired. In fact, one of the ringers was heard to say he would like to live within the sound of those bells for the remainder of his days, and on leaving Scunthorpe for Brigg, it was plainly noticeable by the sad picture which his face presented, that he had left his love behind him. At the west end of the church a brass tablet is inscribed as follows: "To the Greater Glory of God. And as a memorial to him who built this Church, this peal of eight bells was completed, the tenor bearing the following inscription: 'A.M.D.C. In memory of Rowland Winn, first Baron St. Oswald. the founder of this church who died 19th, January, 1893. We seven bells were added by public subscription.

At Brigg the visitors were heartily welcomed by Mr. W. Meanwell and Mr. F. Atkinson. Time just permitted the raising of the bells of to Mr. Chafen's Cafe in the Market Place for a touch in that wellknown method. "Knife and Fork Surprise." This was got through in splendid style, and the cafe can be recommended to those who are passing through the locality.
The ringing at Brigg afterwards included touches of Grandsire, Plain Bob, Stedman and College Single. This ring of six are a musical peal. The church formerly contained a ring of eight, but they were reduced to six two years ago, as the authorities thought they would not have sufficient funds to meet the outlay of rehanging, although when all was firished they had $£ 170$ to spare. The Worksop ringers wish to express their gratitude to the stationmaster at Worksop for placing at ther disnosal two reserved compartments on an excursion train on such
a busy day as Whit-Monday; to Mr. F.S. W. Butler, who joined them at Gainsboroughi on the outward journey, for making all the necessary arrangements; and to the tower keepers and incumbents of each parish for having everything in readiness, and for the use of the bells.

MJTCHAM.-At the Parish Church, on Easter Day, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 45 mins.: S. Foster 1,
J. D. Drewett 2, W. D. Drewet, 3, B. Morris 4, A. Calver 5, J. A. Lambert 6, W. H. Joiner (conductor) 7, F. Tilley 8.

## CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Central Northants Association was held at Thrapston, on Whit-Monday, the day's proceedings commencing with a service at the Parish Church, at which the Rector (the Rev. S. Kingsford) officiated, and the Rev. W. Smalley Law, IR.D. (Vicar of Outule) preached an appropriate sermon.
Lunch was provided at the White Hart, at which the President sthe Rev. W. St. George Coldwell) presided. At the business meeting which followed, the Hon. Secretary presented the balance sheet, which showed receipts amounling to $£ 518 \mathrm{~s}$. 10 d ., including balance in hand $£ 2318 \mathrm{~s}$. $10 \mathrm{~d} .$, and subscriptions $£ 2212 \mathrm{~s}$., while the expenditure was $£ 27 \mathrm{11s} .9 \mathrm{~d}$., leaving a balance in hand of $£ 2317 \mathrm{~s} .1 \mathrm{~d}$.
Tho Secretary's report for 1912 was then read by Mr. Wilford. Special mention was made of the band of ringers at Kettering for their remarkable progress in the way of handbell ringing, with the assistance of Mr. E. Maurice Atkins, of Isham. He congratulated the association on the fact that Finedon bells had been put in first-class order, and also the bells at Woodford, while the bells at Ecton and Moulton had been repaired.
The Chairman thought they might congratulate the Secretary upon (heir satisfactory financial condition. Referring to Tichmarsh being upon the point of putting its bells in order, he proposed that a grant of $£ 2$ be made to Tichmarsh (applause). -This was at once agreed to. -The Rector of Tichmarsh (the Rev. A. W. Luckock), in acknowledging the unexpected gift, stated that they were still short of cash. The estimated cost of recasting five of the bells and rehanging them was £ 303 .

## TOWERS WANT WAKING UP.

It was decided to make a preseritation to the Rev. E. C. Ohanner, ate Rector of Ravensthorpe, and late President of the Association. The Secretary next brought forward a matter at the request of Mr. T. Nicholls, of Kettering, who was unable to be present, having gone to Newcastle to the Central Council Meeting. They would note that the Assuciation had decreased in membership and balance for several years, and Mr. Nicholls recommended that a committee should be formed to inquire as to whether they could not improve their financial basis.

Canon Hodigson said it seemed to him that they had more money than they could spend (hear, hear, and laughter).
The Secretary thought Mr. Nicholls meant that there were belfries in the county that were fast asleep and wanted waking up.-Twenty new members were then proposed and elected.-It was decided to hold the next annual neeting at Northampton.
The Chairman mentioned that they had the founder of the society present, the nev. Hugh Bryan (applause), and they could not separate without wishing him good hoalth and thanking him for his past ser-vices.-The Rev. Hugh Bryan, who was heartily applauded, briefly referred to his part in forming the society in 1883. It was at first known as the Raunds, Wellingborough, and District Society of Church Boll Ringers, and the first meeting was held at Raunds.
Comprehensive rotes of thanks concluded the meeting.

## WEDDING BELLS AT LEICESTER.

On Whit-Monday, the Church of St. John the Divine, Leicester, wa the scene of a marriage of more than usual interest to ringers, for there and then did James Harris take Ethel S. Bowman to be his lawful wedded wife, for better or worse-may it be always for better.
When other brother ringers entered the bonds, Jim had laughed, but at length, cupid shot his dart, and the "Bowman" was triumphant, The day opened auspiciously-a peal of Double Norwich Major was started for, timed to come round at the hour set for the sacrifice of "Bachelordom " to "Benedict," and as the bridegroom waited for his bride in the church below, he had the pleasure of hearing the peal roll home all right.
The Rer. R. S. C. H. Wood, M.A. (Vicar) conducted the ceremony, and the church was filled. As it would require a lady journalist to xlescribe the bride's attire correctly, the writer refrains from detail, excopt to say that she wore a wreath of orange blossom, and was in milliners' parlance-" a perfect dream" of silk and lace. Incidentally Jim wore clothes and a number nine smile, which expanded as a shower of confetti enveloped the pair when they left the church to the sound of wedding bells. As was fitting, ringers from other ehurches turned up, and Stedman Triples was the music from the steeple as the party dispersed.

Afterwards all adjourned to the wedding feast, and ringers included, sat down to a splendid meat tea, the Vicar presiding. At its conclusion, Mr. J. Buttery proposed the health of the bride and bridegroom in a few well-chosen remarks, and it was accompanied with musical honours The following ringers were present: J. Buttery, A. Martin, G. Burrows, E. Smith, J. Vernon. J. S. Needham, E, M. Atkins, Miss H. Willson, E. Norman. E. Vallance, F. Herbert, W. H. up till the early hours of next day, the votaries of Terpsichore, enjoying themseives to the full while vocal music was not lacking. The wedding present from the ringers' society took the shape of a silver dinner cruct. and the writer, on their bohalf, wishes the happy couple every happiness and prosperity, with this "rider"-if Jim makes only haif as good a husband as he has been a faithful friend, he will never

## ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD. PEAL-BOARD UNVETLED.

The above society has experienced a run of rather unfortunate luck, the March meeting arranged for New Romney not taking place because of very inclement weather and the April meeting in conjunction with the Ashford: Dirision, Kent Association, had to be cancelled owing to the indisposition of the Rector of Woodchurch (the Rev. S. HI. Rendall). The Guild, however, held an excellent meeting at 'I'enterden a fortuight ago. About twenty-five members were present, and, in addition to the local tower, delegates came from Appledore, ilye, Headcorn, Slone-in-Oxney, Benenden, Hawkhurst, and Woodchurch.
A series of touches of Grandsire Triples, and a course of Oxford Bob Triples comprised the ringing, and during the evening a beautiful peal board, with gold lettering, was unveiled by the Vicar (the Rev. J. A. Babington), who was accompanied to the belfry by his son.

The reverend gentleman, after a suitable prayer, performed the ceremony, and in addressing the company, warmly praised the work of bell ringers, and congratulated those who took part in the peal. He also thanked Mr. C. Tribe for his services in connection with ringing at Tenterden, and apologised for the absence of Miss Babington, who was unable, through indisposition, to accept the invitation to perform tho unveiling.
On the proposition of Mr. Phillip Hodgkin (Headcorn), seconded by Mr. C. Tribe, the Vicar was cordially thanked for his attendance.
The peal board is worded as follows: "St. Mildred's, Tenterden, Kent County Association. On Easter Monday, 8th April, 1912, was rung in this tower a peal of Bob Major ( 5040 changes) in 3 'hrs. 15 mins. This is the first peal of Major on these famous bells by eight men only, although several different bands have been here to try. Fine and regular striking was maintained throughout by: Charles Tribe treble, Jim Beach 2, Andrew Marshall 3, Frederick Butchers 4, William H. Lambert 5, Edwin Lambert 6, Frederick J. Limbert 7, Phillip Hodgkin tenor. Composed by B. Annable, and conducted by Edwin Lambert. Rev. J. A. Babington, Vicar; E. H. Hardcastle and J. S. Winser, Churchwardens. Tenor, 30 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lbs., in D flat." The board was given by those who rang in the peal.
As regards the record of peals at Tenterden, many peals of Triples have been successfully accomplished, but it appears that all previous attempts for Major have been abortive, with the exception of Treble Bob in 1771, when that famous ringer James Barham, of Leede, Kent, brought a pariy, exceeding eight men, who achieved their heart's desire. Besides containing a fine ring of bells. Tenterden tower is considered one of the best specimens of Perpendicular architecture in England. Its height is tremendous, and it is said, that a beacon, in the form of an iron kettle, placed on a high pole, was set ablaze on the top of the tower when the Spanish Armada was sighted. An interesting legend is also attached to the tower, and it is no uncommon thing to be asked: "Why was Tenterden Church the cause of the Goodwin Sands?" It appears that Earl Godwin, who lived many centuries ago, had great connections with Kent and the islands off its coast. The Earl evidently greatly admired Tenterden Church, for instead of spending money to stop the sea encroaching the islands, he displayed his munificence by restoring the sacred edifice. The sequel of the neglect was that tho isles were flooded, with the result that the Goodwin Sands were formed, and although the church was saved from decay, at the same time the establishment of the sands caused a perilous spot for mariners to avoid. Many people believe the narrative to be absolutely true, and provided there are grounds for its accuracy, "it is an ill-wind that blows no one any good," and ringers benefit, perhaps as much as any individuals, through the Earl's action. The remarkable coincidence would have taken place years bofore Tenterden bells were cast. In the circumstances, had it not been for the Earl's generosity, the church might gradually have fallen to ruins, and although the structure would probably hare been eventually renovated the famous tower of St. Mildred's might have been reconstructed on a smaller scale, with insufficient accommodation for such large bells as it now contains. Ringers, therefore, if the legend be true, owe a debt of gratitude to Earl Godwin, and they rejoice that such a fine ring as Tenterden is in existence, and at the same time deprecate the fact that the Goodwin Sands are death-traps to navigators.
The Master (Mr. G. Billenness, of Rye) presided at the business meeting. and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Woodchurch on the 31st inst., in conjunction with the Kent Association, and it was resolved to attempt a peal of Grandsire Triples at Appledore to-morrow (Saturday).
The combined mecting of the Kent and Sussex Associations at Rye for next month was discussed, and the Master announced that the date and full programm $\geqslant$ wonld be settled shortly

A hearty rote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells concluded the brisiness.

## PEAL STANDARDS.

## To the Editor

Sir-Can you tell me if there are two standards of ringing for peals; one for long peals and another for shorter lengths, as i should think that what is not good enough for the first part of a long peal is certainly not gocd enough for a peal at all.- Yours truly,
R. R.

## NOTICES.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.A meeting for practice will be held at Walton-le-Dale on May 3ist. Bells available from 3 o'clock.-EE. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-Dale.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East Dis-trict.--The next meeting will be held at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, by kind permission of the Rev. O. R. Dawson, on Saturday, May 31st. Bells available at 3.30. Short service, with address, at 5 . Tea at $5.45,6 d$. each. All members and friends welcome. Homerton bells also available during the erening. - C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Derby District.- The next monthly meeting of the above will be held at Duffield on Saturday, May 3 Ist, 1913. The ten bells will be available at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers and friends invited.-Bart Mitchell, Honorary District Secretary, I49, Leacroft Road, Derby.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch.-The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Surfleet (in connection with the opening of the new peal of io bells) on Saturday, May 3ist. Short service at 3 o'clock, with address, by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, M.A., Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Dinner at the Crown Inn at one o'clock. Tickets 2s. 3d. each. Stations: Surfleet, G.N., one mile; Pinchbeck, G.N. and G.E., two miles. Ringing friends will be heartily wel-comed.-G. Ladd, Honorary Secretary, Pinchbeck, Spalding.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Guildford District.-A district meeting will be held at Puttenham, on Saturday, May 3ist, r9i3. Bells (6) available 3. Service 5.30 . The Rector will address the ringers. Tea in the Old School 6.15. Tea tickets, members 6d., visitors rs. Subscriptions are overdue and should be paid at, or before, the meeting.--John J. Jones, Honcrary Secretary, North Street, Guildford.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Eastern District.-The May meeting of the above will be held at Bennington on Saturday, May 3rst, when the bells will be open for ringing during the afternoon and evening. The Rector (the Rev. IV. Mills) is providing a free tea. It is hoped that a good many will attend a meeting in this oldworld and interesting village. I should be glad if those who can will kindly notify me of their intention to be present, so as to have some idea of the number to provide for. All members and friends will be made welcome.-W. H. Lawrence, District Secretary, Little Munden.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-The next meeting of this district will be held at Tonbridge on Saturday, June 7 th, 1913. Further particulars will be announced next week.-W. Latter, Hon. District Secretary, 26, Duke's Road, Tunbridge Wells.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham District.-A meeting of the above will be held at Downe on Saturday, June 7 th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Service (association form) and address by the Rev. A. A. Gibson (Vicar) at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 9d. each, to follow at the Queen's Head Hotel. It is hoped that as many as possi-
bly can will attend this meeting. Shoreditch motor 'buses to Farnborough, and thence $\mathrm{I} \frac{1}{2}$ miles through Lord Avebury's park. Will those who wish for tea send me their names not later than Tuesday, June 3rd.-T. Groombridge, Honorary District Secretary, 34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern District.-A bye meeting will be held at Bentley, South Weald, on Saturday, June 7 th. Tea will be provided only for those sending in their names to me on or before June 4th. Henry F. Cooper, County Offices, Chelmsford.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (North Bucks Branch).-The annual meeting will be held at Shenley on Saturday, June 7th, next. Service at 3 p.m.-Thos. Best, junr., Secretary.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.--Burton-on-Trent District.-A ringing meeting will be held at Alrewas, on Saturday, June 7th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 5.-H. Wakley, Local Hon. Sec.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EIST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. - The next meeting of this socicty will be held on Saturday, June 7 th, at Norion. Church of St. James, 8 bells, tenor 16 cwt., available 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.-J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, il, Havelock Street, Sheffield.

THE LADIES' GUILD.-A meeting of the northerns branch will be held at Burley, Leeds, on Saturday, June $7^{\text {th }}$. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Tea (free to ladies) at Parish Church at 5 o'clock; gentlemen gd. per head. AIT intending to be present please notify Miss A. Hick, 6, Graham Avenue, Cardigan Lane, Leeds, by June 3rd.Lilian A. Willson, District Honorary Secretary.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Tonbridge Dis-trict.-The next meecing of the district will be held at Tonbridge on Saturday, June 7 th, 1913. Tower open at 3. Service in church at 5. Tea at 5.45., followed by the business meeting. Half travelling expenses up to, but not exceeding, 2 s . each will be paid to members attending. All members intending to attend are requested to notify the district secretary not later than Tuesday, June 3rd.W. Latter, Honorary District Secretary, 26, Duke's Road, 'Tunbridge Wells.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch.-The next monthly meeting of the above will be held at All Saints' Church, Hamer, on Saturday, June $7^{\text {th }}$, 1913. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-J. H. Bastow, Branch Secretary
LOUGHBOROUGH PARISH CHURCH.-A meeting for united practice will be held at the above church on Saturday, June 7 th, at 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.-H. W. Abbott, 2, Curzon Street, Loughborough.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Northern Dis-' trict.-A meeting will be held at Knebworth on Saturday, June 7 th. Tea and business meeting at the Lytton Arms. -F. R. Bacon, District Secretary, Hitchin.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at Newchurch, near Warrington, on Saturday, June 14th. Bells available from 2. Meeting at 6 o'clock.-G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. - The adjourned monthly meeting will be held at St. Anne's, Denton ( 6 bells). Bells will be available from 5 p.m. Meeting at 7.30. A hearty welcome to all ringers--W. W. Wolstencroft, Brancli Secretary.

HOLIDAY APARTMENTS.
Having frequently had inquiries from ringers for inform. ation as to other members of the Exercise who have holiday apartments to let, we offer the use of our columns to those who cater for visitors at seaside and other resorts. Terms for insertion will be sent on application.

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LINCOLN CATHEDRAL NEW BELLS.
A splendid new peal of eight bells has been placed in Lincoln Gathedral, the product of the Loughborough foundry. The old ring were melted down, and fresh metal added, and the result is a fine octave in D, with a tenor of 23 cwt .3 grs .13 lbs . The iron and steel frame has been constructed to carry a peal of twelve, and the whole rork has been admirably carried out. The bells hang at a great height, and, considering the difficulties experienced, it speaks volumes for the workmen employed that they completed the work in the tower in just over five weeks. Messr's. Taylor and Co. have carried out the work to the satisfaction of all. and Lincoln Cathedral now possesses a peal of cight bells, which are the finest in the diocese, aud second to none for their weight anywhere.
The dedication ceremony was performed by the Bishop of the Diocese. Touches of Grandsire were afterwards rung, and the ringers were delighted with the exactness of the striking, and the ease with which the beils san be rung.
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4th. Burghersh, weight, 7 cwt. 3 qrs. 2 lbs.
5 h . Sitton, weight. 10 cut. 1 lb .7 lbs .
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Architect, Diocesan Surveyor

## MODERN

WORK.

## HINTS TO C.C. MEMBERS.

There was some justification, we feel, for the comment made by the President of the Central Council, in connection with the debate on the subject of bells and the public, when he said that members sometimes went to the meetings, but did not go back and give their associations the benefit of the knowledge they had acquired. Unquestionably the associations who send representatives to the Council meeting are entitled to receive from them some report upon the proceedings. It need not necessarily be lengthy, so long as the important points of discussion are brought out, in order that the rank and file of the Exercise may at any rate grasp the view of their delegates in regard to the various matters of general interest.

It may be said, of course, that every ringer has the opportunity of reading the report of the proceedings. That is perfectly true, but the circumstances under which the reading is generally done do not provide opportunities for discussion and the ventilation of opinions, whereas when a subject is brought up at a meeting, diversified views can be brought out by debate, and ringers can gain a better knowledge of the various subjects which the Central Council have been considering for their benefit or otherwise. We believe that much good would be done, and certainly a wider interest in the functions and operations of the Council would be taken, if at the various association meetings some of the topics were talked over. Discussion need not necessarily take place at annual gatherings, when there is usually a good deal of routine business to be got through, and it might well be reserved for district meetings, when, not infrequently, there is a dearth of business for transaction.

For our immediate purpose, however, the occasion when these matters might best be considered is not of much consequence. What we are anxious to see is something done to bring home to the members of affiliated societies the results of the Council's labours. It is not even necessary that the whole of the subjects should be considered at one meeting. Indeed, to spread the various questions over a series of meetings would sustain the interest. But whatever steps are taken on these lines thev would be bound to prove advantageous in the long run to the members of the associations, and would react upon the Council itself eventually, by bringing it into close and real touch with those in whose interests it exists. It may, perhaps, be a bit difficult to get some representatives to propound their impressions of the Council's proceedings to a meeting of their fellows, for they may look upon that kind of thing as something in the nature of an ordeal. But those who do not already give their members a resume of the meeting should remember that they have, after all, a duty to those who send them.

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## TEN BELL PEALS.

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Tuesday, May 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE bOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 2 I cwt. 2 qr. 22 lbs.
George H. Gutteridge ...Tyeble Richard Buckland... ... 6
William H. Fussell ... 2 Janes E. Davis ...... Bertram Prewett ... ... 3 Joseph J. Pratt ... ... 8 Harry Barton ... ... ... 4 George Spencer ... ... 9 William Welling ... ... 5 Alfred W. Grimes ...Tenor Composed by G. Lindoff, and
Conducted by James E. Davis.
First peal in the method on the bells, and rung on the anniversary of the record peal of Bristol at Hornchurch. It was the conductor's 500th peal.

## EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE

IHE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Southern Branch),
AND THE ALL SAINTS AND ST. LAURENCE GUILD. On Wednesday, May 28, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes, At the Bell Tower,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS, 5003 CHANGES;
Tenor 3I cwt.


* First peal on ten bells and first attempt. This peal was rung, with the bells half-muffled, as a tribute of respect to the Rev. H. A. Holmes, who, for the past three years, has been Curate of All Saints and St. Laurence Churches, and who passed away at Tewkesbury Old Vicarage on May 24 th, and was interred at Tewkesbury Cemetery on May 28 th. This peal prececled a memorial service in All Saints' Church.

STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Bowdon and Stockport Branch.)
On Saturday, May 31, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. George,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CATERS; 5000 CHANGES;
Tenor 30 cwt .
Hiram Meakin ... ... ...Treble George Astbury ... ... 6

- Alfred Baries ... ... 2 George W. Bemrose ... 7 Johin Holman ... ... ... 3 George D. Warburton 8 Sam Thomas ... ... ... 4 John Flint ... ... ... 9 Rev. A. T. Beesto. ... 5 | Harry Chapman ... ....Tenor

Composed by C. H. Hattersley, and Conducted by Sam Thomas.

* rooth peal.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

DEANE, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, May 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Vicars' Six-Part.
Frank Morris

| ...Treble |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots .$. | 2 |
| $\cdots$ | 3 |

Fred Abbott
Tirus Barlow ... ... ... 6
William Duckworth ... 3 Richard Heald ... ... 7 Harold Oddy ... ... ... 4 John Moscrop ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Titus Barlow.
Rung, with the bells deeply muffled, as a last token of respect to Mr. Henry Bentley, who had been a ringer at the above church.

PULHAM, NORFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 26, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Churchi of St. Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF LONBON SURPRIEE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

## Tenor 14 cwt .



* First peal in the method.


## NORTHAMPTON.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (St. Peter's Society.)
On Monday, May 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Eightoen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Holt's Ten-Part
Harry Brown ... ... ...Treble George T. Handscomb... 5 William R. Parker... ... 2 Wililam Sturges ... ... 6 Walter H. Adstin. ..... .3 Alfred T. Mawby ... 3 ... 7 William H. Sibley ... ... 4 Joseph Wilkins ... ...Tenor First peal by all. Rung on the occasion of Queen Mary's birthday, and of the condnctor's wife's. Messrs. Brown and Wilkins were proposed members of the Association previous to starting for the peal.

WOOD GREEN, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Monday, May 26, 1913, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Paul,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
 Edgar Marlow ... ... ... 3 James Tyler... Thomas Hill ... ... ... 4 Edwin J. Tyler .... ... Tenor Composed by J. Reeves, and Conducted by E. J. Tyler.
First peal in the method by all the band. First peal in the method on the bells by a local band.

OLDHAM
THE IANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Rocudale Branch and Oldham Amalgamation.)
(3) Tuesday. May 27, 1913, in Thrce Fours and Eleven Minutes,

At the Chorch of St. Thomas, Moorside,
A Peal of kent treble bob malor, 5056 changes;
Tenor 18 cwt . o qr. 18 lbs

| Mierbert Barlow | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | Joseph Greenwood... | ... | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| IIarry Hayison | $\ldots$ | $\ldots-$ | 2 | Charles E. Platt ... | .. | 6 |

Joseph Ogden ... ... ... 3 Luke Hampson... ... ... 7
Edmund Schofield ... ... 4 Andrew Sidebottom ...Tenor
Composed by C. H. Hattersley, and
Conducted by Harry Hampson.
The ringers of the $4^{\text {th }}, 5^{\text {th }}$ and tenor belong to Rochdale.

## ROTHERHAN

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Welnesday, May 28, 1913, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Stephen, Eastwood,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor i2t cwt. $\begin{array}{cccccccc}\text { *Ralph a. Brown } & \ldots & \ldots \text { Theble } & \text { Arthur Andrews } & . . & . . & 5 \\ \text { Clement Glenn } & \ldots & \ldots & 2 & \text { Arthur Hague } & \ldots & \ldots & 6\end{array}$ | Clement Glenn | ... | $\ldots$ | 2 | Arther Hague | ... | .. | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\dagger$ Arthor Whitworth | $\cdots$ | 3 | John W. J. Cottam | ... | 7 |  |  | albert C. Fearnley ... 4 William Hurst ... ...Tenor

- First peal. + First peal in the method. Rung with the bells muffled as a last tribute of respect to the late Sir Charles Stoddart, who was interred on the above date. He was donor of the tower, spire and bells, and a great benefactor to the town.


## WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Weduesday, May 28, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Padl,
a PEAL of Stedman triples, 5040 Changes;
Thorstans' Fodr-Part. Tenor 17 cwt . o qr. 23 lbs .
R. Alder Gofton ... ...Treile | Robert Gofton ... ... 5

- Arthur Payne ... ... ... 2 -George R. Harrison ... 6
$\dagger$ Thomas R. Percival ... 3 Thomas T. Gofton ... 7 Joseph A. Gofton ... ... 4 *Thomas M. Whitfield...Tenor Conducted by R . Alder Gofton.
*First peal. + First peal of Stedman. First peal as conductor. Rung at the first attempt and by an entirely local band.


## NUNEATON.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Thursday, May 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF DOUbLE NORWICH COURT bOB MAJOR 5088 CHANCES; Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Rowland Pollard ... ...Ticble Thomas W. Chapman ... 5 Harry Argyle ......$⿻$| 2 | .. |
| :--- | :--- | Thomas Valiance ..... .13 E. Maurice Atkins $\quad 3$... 7 *Ernest Stone ... ... ... 4 E. Harry Stoneley ... Tehor Composed and Conducted by E. Maurice Atrins.

* First peal in the method.


## LODDON, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, May 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At the Cherch of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH GOERT BOB PAAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor II cwt., in G.
John Aldis, Sent. ... ...Trebie George H. Cross ... ... 5

George Howchin $\quad . . . \quad . . .2^{2} |$\begin{tabular}{llllll}
Albert G. Wrasses... \&... \& 5 <br>
\hline

 

Bey S. Thompson \&.. \&.. \& 3 \& William Steele... \&... <br>
7 <br>
Frank R. Copeman \& 7 \&... \& 4 \& Frederick J. Howchin \& .. Tehor
\end{tabular} Frank R. Copeman. Composed by G. H. Cross, and Conducted by War. Steele.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## HOUNSLO ${ }^{\circ}$, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Padl,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 GHANGES; Tenor $8 \frac{3}{} \mathrm{cwt}$.


## Milverton, somerset

THE BATH AND VELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, Muy 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGE :
Hollis's Five-Part No. 2.
William D. White ... ...Treble | Hexry Norman ... ... 5 Henry J. Creed $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ Archibald J. Andrews... 6 Robert Scott Edwin Chapman ......$\quad$... 4 Robert Chapman ... .... Conducted by Robert Scott.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. S. Allen, organist and choirmaster of the above Church.

## ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, Mray 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Abbey Chorch of SS. Thomas and Edmund (R.C.),

## a PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHAMGE ;

Heywood's Transposition - Charles Edward Joynes Treble Joseph W. Timms ... ... 2 Frederick J. Cope... ... 3 James George .. Conducted by Berna Bernard W. Witchell... 5 Ediwin J. Stringer... ... 6 George Parsons ... ... 7 Jacob Seaborn ... ... ...Tenor Jab Whicter. d W. Witcherl.

* First peal of Stedman.


## LOW MOOR, BRADFORD, YORKS.

 THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.On Saturday, May 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-fve Minutes, At the Church of fae Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

## Tenor $x_{5} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Joe Hardcastle... ... ...Treble | John William Cundall James Cotterell ... ... 2 Joseph Broadley ... ... 5 James H. Mawson ... ... 3 James W. Emmett ... ... 7 Jonas S. Ambler ... ... 4 Fred Salmons ... ... ...Tenor Composed by Arthur Kinights, and Conducted by Fred Salmons.
Rung with the bells deeply muffled in memory of Mr. Thomas Simpson, who had been a respected member of the local company during the past 25 years.

BROMLEY COMMON, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, MIay 31, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St . Luke,

## a PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 ChanGES;

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\text { Thorstans' Fodr-Part. Tenor } 55 \text { cwt. }
$$

Thos. Groombridge, Junr. Treble Fredk. W. Richardson ... 2 Reginald Brough ... ... 3 Thos. Groombridge, Sent. 7 William J. Jeffries ... 4 *William Lyddiard... ...Tenor Conducted by Thos. Groombridge, Senr.

* First peal. This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to T. Groombridge, Junr


## SHENSTONE, STAFFORDSHIRE

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, May 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ cwt.
Charles Cottrell ... ...Treble ${ }^{2}$ Thomas Russam

Miss Margery F. Sampso: Johs Sanders Jonathan Preston. John E. Pywely John E. Pywel
Carter, and Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by William J. Meers.
The ringer of the 3 rd hails from Tamworth, the 5 th from St. Martin's, Birmingham, and the remainder from Erdington Parish Church. First peal on the bells in which a lady has taken part. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells.

## HODDESDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. On Saturday, May 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Padl,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Sir A. P. Heywood's Variation of Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor I2 cwt.
William Irons


...Treble Charles H. Austin | Miss Edith K. Parker | $\cdots$ | 3 | James Parker | ... | ... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ...

 Conducted by Miss E. K. Parker.

SMETHWICK, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Northern Branch.)
On Monday, June 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Old Church,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE bOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES ;

Tenor io cwt.

 | * Horace Howell | $\ldots$ | .. | 3 | John Bass... | .. | .. | .. | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| -Walter Pigott | ... | ... | 4 | George F. Swann | ... | ... Tenor |  |  | Composed by Henry Dains, and

Conducted by George F. Swann.

* First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal of Major. First peal in the method as conductor. This is John Bass's I50th peal for the Worcestershire Association. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. Bass and Mr. I. Swann, the father of the conductor.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

## BLAXHALL, SUFFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCIESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, April 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A Peal of treble bob minor, 5040 chances;
Being 720 each of New London Pleasure, Violet, Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Duke of York, Kent and Oxford.

## George Cooper



James Starling David Leggett. ... ... Henry Puttick William Sawyer ... ... 5 Conducted by W. Sawyer.

## TUNSTALL, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Tueslay, May 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Canterbury Pleasure, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
*Edivin S. Naylor

|  | Prain |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | 2 |  |
| $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$. | 3 |  |

 George Eastman $\quad . .$. Conducted by W. Spice.
*First peal of Minor. Rung as a farewell peal to E. S. Naylor, who is leaving Rainham for Canada.

## POTTON, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 Changes;
Being three 720 's of Oxford Treble Bob and one 720 each of Single Court, Oxford Bob, College Single and Plain Bob.
W. Compton
$\left.\begin{array}{cccc}\ldots . . & \ldots & . . T r e b l e \\ \ldots & \cdots & \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & -. . & \ldots & 3\end{array} \right\rvert\,$
A. O. Bailey S. J. Coleman
S. Stubbings
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { … } & \ldots & \text {... } & 4 \\ \ldots & . . . & . . & 5\end{array}$ Conducted by G. D. Coleman.
Rung in commemoration of Empire Day
WALLASEY, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Wirral l3ranch.)
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Hilary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAMGES;
Consisting of two 720's of Canterbury Pleasure, three of Plain Bob Minor and two of Grandsire Minor.


## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
(St. Ann's Guild, Tottenham.)
On Satwrday, May 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-siz Minutes,
At the Church of St. Ann, Tottenham,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
*Henry C. Stubbs... ...Tveble I Thomas Groombridge, Junr. 4 Alfred Howell ... ... 2 Frederick A. Nunn, Sent. 5 Ernest Davidson ... 3 Charles I, Davidson ...Tenor Conducted by T. Groombridge, Junt.

* First away from tenor. First peal of Doubles on the bells, and by all the band. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Lovell, the verger, H. C. Stubbs and F. A. Nunn; Senr. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar and Churchwardens for the use of the bells, and Mr . Ringrose for having them ready. Quickest peal on the bells. Messrs. Howell, Groombridge and Nunn are from Messrs. Warner and Sons.

MEOPHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

## A PEAL OF MIHOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently.
Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
George A. Jones ... ...Treble | Herbert A. Holden ... 4
Basil C. Owen... ... ... 2 Jack Burles ... ... ... 5 Frederick Hayes ... ... 3 Frederick M. Mitchell Tenor Conducted by Frederick M. Mitchell.
Rung in honour of Empire Day. First peal and first attempt by Basil C. Owen, who is to be congratulated on the way he rang his bell. Also first peal of Minor by Herbert A. Holden. Both these ringers are members of the local band.

SEAL CHART.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Laurence,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's of Plain Bob, two of Oxford Bob and three of
Grandsire, all called differently.
Tenor io cwt., in G

- Ernest C. Saxby
...Tveble


Conducted by James Ford.
* First peal in three methods. $\dagger$ First peal of Minor.

FULMER, BUCKS
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On IVednesday, May 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGES; Being seven 720's.

Tenor $7 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt

Kenner G. Hawkins ...Treble John Walden George H. Gotteridge.... 3 Conducted by G
eonard Stilueti
Willa Wald … 5 Daniel F. Gib
H. Gutteridge.
Rung as a welcome home to Mrs. Bridges (wife of the rector of the parish). Mr. Gibbons was elected a life member of the Oxford Guild previous to starting, and it was his first peal since returning from America, where he has been carrying out work for Messrs. Mears \& Stainbank.

## BEDFORD.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurslay, May 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter de Merton,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, London S cholars', College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor I3 cwt.

| VyFrney Cooper | ...Treble 1 | Charles A. Robinson |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ank Webb ... |  | Charles W. Clarke ... 5 |
| ¿illiam Stapleton | 3 | Herbert Sharp ... ...Tenor |

* First peal.


## LAMBERHURST, IiENT

 THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION On Saturday, May 31, 1913, in Thyee Hours,At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of College Single, two of Oxford Bob, one of Canterbury Pleasure and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt . Fredk. J. Lambert, Junr. Tyeble Andrew Marshall... ... 4 Edwin Lambert ... ... ... 2 "James Waghorn ... ... 5 Jim Beach ... ... ... ... 3 Frank Pattenden ... ...Tenor Conducted by Frank Pattenden.

* First peal.

ORSETT, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Giles and All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being seven 720's.

 Conducted by Ernest J. Butler.

* First peal. $f$ First peal as conductor. First peal on the bells, and rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Jaye and Keeling.

HUSBORNE CRAWLEY, BEDS. THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, May 31, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor $18 \frac{7}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, London Scholars' Pleasure College Exercise, Violet, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.
*Miss Dorothy Steel ...Treble Charles Stapleton
Percy John Coore... ... 2 Charles Robinson... ... 5 Charles Wm. Clarke ... 3 Willlam Stapleton ...T Tenor Conducted by W. Srapleton.

* First peal of Treble Bob. First peal of seven Treble Bob methods on the bells.

POULTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,
At the Church of St. Chad,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's of Grandsire, two of Canterbury Pleasure and three of Plain Bob.
George Maries ... ...Treble *George Rawcliffe
$\dagger$ Fred. Greenwood ......${ }^{2}$. 2 tFrank Whiteside ......
†james Bolton ... ... ... 3 Robert Cardivell ... ... Tenoy Conducted by George Maries.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Minor. This is the first peal on the bells, which have been in the tower for 209 years.


## BRANPTON ASH.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION On Saturday, May 31, 1913, in Two Hows and Fifty Minutes, At tee Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Fient Treble Bob, one of St. Clement's and two of Plain Bob.

## Tenor 13 3 cwt.

*Albert E. York ... ...Treble Frederick Kilborn $_{\text {... }} 4$
†Bert Kilborn ... ... ... 2 *Harry Peet ... ... ... 5 †Robert G. Black ... ... 3 Horace W. Sharman ... Tenor Conducted by Horace W. Sharman.

* First peal of Minor. † First peal in four methods.

LLANGARREN, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sunday, June 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Deinst,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

## Being seven different 720's.

Henry Weale ... ... ...Treble
John Gwynne
Evward Summers

Tenor il cwt.
Frank Voyce ... ... ... 4
Joseph Cartwright
William Poston ... ...TTeno
Conducted by W. Poston.

First peal of Minor by the ringer of treble ; also first of Minor on the bells.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

LONDON
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Wednesday, May 28, 1913, in Three Hours and Teventy Minutes, At i29, Brunswick Street, Haggerston,

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

| Bertram Prewett... | ... | i-2 | William Pye | ... | .. | $7-8$ |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ernest Pye | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | .. | $3-4$ | James Hunt | $\ldots$ | .. | $9-10$ | | Ernest Pye | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | .. | $3-4$ | James Hont | ... | .. | $9-10$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| George R. Pye | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $5-6$ | Alfred W. Grimes ... | II-I2 |  |  |  |

Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by William Pye.
Umpire: J. E. Davis.
Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Hunt. This composition is now rung for the first time.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, May 30, 1913, in Tro Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
At ife Residence of A. H. Pulling,
A PEAL OF 8TEBHAH TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Pitstow's Variation.

| Maurice Smither... | ... | I-2 | Septimus Radford | .. | $5-6$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alfred H. Pulling | $\ldots$ | $3-4$ | Frank Blondeli... | .. | $7-8$ | Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling. Witness: Mrs. Pčlling.

Rung as a birthday compliment to W. E. Maulden, who was unfortunately unable to take part

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, June 1, 1913, in Tzo Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

At 2, Carliton Street,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

 and Conducted by David J. Nichor.s.
The peal of Minor rung at Watlington, Norfolk, on May 24th, should be credited to the Norwich Diocesan Association.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

DERBY DISTRICT MFETING AT DUFFIELD.
A monthly ringing meeting of the Derby district was held at Duffield on Saturday, and was a very successful gathering. The most striking feature was the wide area represented, showing the great attraction that ten bells have to change ringers. The following places were represented: Alfreton, Burton-on-Trent, Crich, Darley Dale, Derby, Etwall, Ilkeston, Uttoxetor, and Wirksworth. The Rev. C. J. Sturton, of Orston, was also present.-Tea was provided at the Bridge Inn, and the subsequent meeting was held in the belfry, the Rev. C. J. Sturton being voted to the chair.-It was pointed out by the hon. secretary that as the quarterly meeting of the M.C.A. would be held about the ond of June, and that it would not be advisable to arrange a district meeting for that month, it was finally decided that the next meeting be held at Brassington in July, if arrangements could be made, Mr. Fox pointing out that Messrs. Taylor and Son, of Loughborough, had just put in a new bell to make a peal of six, and that, as there was no change ringing at the present time at Brassington, it was a good opportune time for "missionary" work there.-Votes of thanks were accorded the clergy and churchwardens for placing the bells at the disposal of the members, and also to the Rev. C. J. Sturton for pre-siding.-The Chairman, in responding, remarked liow delighted he was to visit the Derby district meetings, and sakl some of the happiest hours of his life were spent amongst ringers. The bells were kept going throughout the afternoon and evening to the standard mothods, and the mecting was a great success.

## LEEK MAJOR.

## By E. A. RIDGWAY

It has beon my ambition for many years to discover a method worthy of the acceptance of the Exercise, and to which I might for a title give the name of my birthplace. After many failures, I have discovered a method which will, I believe, compare favourably with any method yet published, and the following few particulars may be of interest. My ideal has always been to obtain a method in which each and every bell should do the same work throughout the course, and Leek Major is a method of tris description.
The changes are alternately quadruple and triple throughout, consequently all places ari made the right way, i.e., at hand and back stroke, and, exoept when a single is used, there are no adjoining places. The method is dividedi into eight divisions of ten changes each, giving a plain courso of eighty changes. At the liead of eaoh division the bells are in what may be termed Bob Major coursing order with the Treble one of the working bells. The second division head (rounds of course is the first) is 68472513 ; and a glanco will show the counsing order of the vells to be as follows: 68753124. This will be sufficient proof that the tenors are always kept well together. The musical qualities of the method may be judged by the combinations with the tenor in $7-8$ in the plain course. There are three $7-8 \mathrm{~s}$, including "Rounds," and three 8-7's ; three 6-8's, including "Queen's" and three 8-6's; two 4-8's, including "Trittums," and two 8-4's; two 5-8's and two 8-5's. The method being a doubloone, the sarne combinations are found in 1-2, including "Rounds" backwards; "Queen's" backwards; and "Tittums " backwards. The combination of "Qucen's" and "Tittums" in one course is, I believe, now published for the first time.
First place instead of third's place is made at a Bob; the three front bells only being affected. At a Single the three front bells lie still. If Bobs only are usod, and the tenors kept together, there is only one false course-end against cach course, viz., as is 126543 to 123456. With the sixth also a fixed boll, the method has a clean proof scale eren if Singles are used. When the sixth is shifted, and Singles are made use of, there are two additional falso course-ends, 124635 and 12536 ?
A Bob before, which would be called at the end of the fourth division, shorteus the oourse thirty changes, and has a similar effect to a Single in changing the resulting course-end into an odd row instead of an even row. Therefore, when a Bob before is made use of, the two additional false course-ends must be taken into consideration in proving compositions.
The extent of Leek Major tenors together is 180 courses, or 14,400 changes. With the 61T, a fixed bell, 120 courses, or 9,600 changes. These figures speak for themselves; the extent in Bob Major or other plain methods with a guiding bell being only 13,440 . Below I give the first division in full and the remaining seven division heads, also an example of Bob and Single, and a table of course-ends for conduct-
ing and composition, together with a peal of 5120 clanges.

## 1st Dis.

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12463578 21645387 26154837 62518473 26581437 62854173 69245713 86427531 Div. heads 68472513
55718264 55718264 24163857 31527486
46281735
75836142


With Bobs before.
will run in

- $\quad \overline{325461}$

86427531
84672513
Single
86427531
86472513
WICKHAMIZREAUX.--Kent County Association.-On Sunday, March 16th at St. Andrew's Church, for the christening of the first son of Mr. Sidney Walter (the local captain and secretary), 720 Kent Jreble Bob Minor, in 23 mins. : W. Maxted 1, Harrison Smith 2, William Wood 3, Jabez Walter 4, William Norris 5, Stanley White (conductor) 6.-On April 5th, on the occasion of the wedding of Captain Hardy, of the Buffs, and Miss Olive Robertson (grand-daughter of the Rector), 720 Plain Bob Minor, in 21 mins.: Walter Maxted 1, Stanley White 2, Sidney Walter 3, Harrison Smith 4, William Norris 5, Henry G. Castle (conductor) 6 .

## ON PLEASURE BENT.

## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

For their first annual outing the ringers of Barcombe, Sussex, had a circular motor tour from Tunbridge Wells. The party, augmented by a few friends and numbering 16, first had an hour's ringing at St. Peter's Church, touches of Plain Bob and Grandsire being brought round. By car they then journeycd to Tonbridge, where after dinner they exercised themselves on the bells of SS. Peter and Paul's Church, where tho tenor ( 21 cot.) is about three times as heavy as that at Barcombe. Subsequently the journey was continued to Hadlow, where they were visited in the tower by the Vicar (the Rev. S. H. Moneypenny), who gave the party a warm welcome. After tea, anolher pleasant ride brought the visitors again to Tunbridge Wells. At each tower the lingers were met by local men, who took part in the ringing with them, and whom they wish to thank for making the nocessary arrangements. They also desire to thank the various clergy for the uso of the bells. The outing was an exceedingly enjoyable one.

## ANOTHER MOTOR TRIP.

The Goole and district ringers also favoured a motor tour for their firsi outing, a party of 20 mustering at Snaith and thoroughly enjoying the delights of the car. Tadeaster was the first stop, and here, in conjunction with the local band, ringing was indulged in on the beautiful bells of the parish church. Afterwards, the journey was continued to Boston Spa, where dinner was partaken of, and then the narty walked to Callingham, where the light peal of eight was rung. Next they had a grand spin through the historic Bramham Moor country to Sherburn-in-Elmet, when tea, followed by further ringing, was enjoyed before the return drive to Snaith, which was safely reached, after a most enjoyable day. The thanks of the party are due to the Vicars who allowed their bells to be used, and to the local ringers who met the visitors and did their best to make the irip one to be long remembered.

HORLEY.
An evening trip by motor-it is the fashionable way of going out now-was enjoyed by ten members of the Horley and Burstow towers of the Surrey Association, who, in the course of a delightful spin, were able to reach places as far afield as East Grinstead (Sussex) and Edenbridge (Kent). At each place they rang several touches in various methods, and it is hoped that this will not be the last excursion of its kind during the coming summer. The party wish to thank the respective Vicars for the use of their bells, and, the local ringers for meeting them.

## TRING.

The second annual outing of the Tring Parish Church ringers was a very enjoyable affair, dcspite the showery weather. Having journeyed by brake to Berkhampstead they were met by the local men, and rang touches of Grandsire, including 336 of Triples, in which two of the local men took part. Hemel Hempstead was the next objective, and after a welcome by Mr. H. Golding, some capital touches were rung, until teatime. Afterwards, an attempt for a quarter-peal was made, but came to grief. A good 518 Grandsire Triples was, howerer, rung by: F.
Recve 1, II. Golding 2, H. Lovel 3, H. Heley 4, W. H. Newell 5, W. Rece $\overline{1}$, II. Golding 2, H. Lovel 3, H. Heley 4, W. H. Newell 5, W. thank the V'icars and steeplekeepers of both towers for the use of the bells.

## IN PICTURESQUE SURREY.

The picturesque Surrey district of Guildford, Godalming, and Farnham, was selected by the Henfield (Sussex) ringers for their annual outing. The party, which numbered 16, reached Guildford at 8.45 a.m., and after at brief stay, resumed the journey to Godalming, where
504 Stedman Triples was successfully brought round at the Parish Church by: W. Markwell 1, W. Tish 2, L. Payne 3, C. Tyler 4, E. Lish 5, G. Gatland 6, G. Payne (conductor) 7, A. Hodges 8. Touches of Bub Major and Grandsire were also rung. Returning to Guildford, the interesting old town was inspected, and a visit paid to the Castle Grounds before partaking of dinner at the Star Hotel. In the after-
noon, Farnham was thy objective, and there another 504 Stedman noon, Farnham was the objective, and there another 504 Stcdman
Triples and touches of Bob Major were successfully rung. On returning to Guildford, tea was partaken of at Brett's Restaurant, by invitation of the Vicar of IIenfield (the Rev. R. J. Lea). and a visit was aflerwards paid to St. Nicolas' tower, where Bob Major, Grandsire and Stedman Caters were rung, together with 504 Stedman Triples, conclucted by A. Hodges. Henfield was reached at 9.15 p.m., after a most
enjoyable outing. The ringers desire to thank the Vicars of the enjoyable outing. The ringers desire to thank the Vicars of the
clurches visited for their kindness in granting permission for the use of the bells, and also to the steeplekeepers for having everything in readiness, and their ready help in making the arrangements.

## A RAMBLE BY THE RIVER SEVERN.

On a very hot Sunday, recently, members of the Cheltenham and District Guild made a cycle trip to Towkesbury. Recruits were picked up on the way, and the angmented party went first to Forthampton, wherc, after having crossed the Severn by that most primitive means,
the ferry, they were met by Mr. F. S. Wilson, of Tewkesbury. The the ferry, they were met by Mr. F. S. Wilson, of Tewkesbury. The
bells, a pretty ring of six, were raised and set going in Bob Minor, but a very little of this sufficed, as the "go" of the back bells was characterised as awful, and this with a shade temperature of 80 degrees! Stedman and Grandsiro Doubles afterwards sufficed, Mr C. W.
of the Lower Hode Hotel followed, and after again crossing the Severn, the company went on to Tewkesbury Abbey with its splendid ring of eight. Throok's quarter-peal of Stedman was brought home in 45 mins.: J. T. Dyke (conductor) 1, F. S. Wilson 2, II. Holford 3, C. W. Dyson 4, W. Yeend 5, A. W. Ifumphris 6, A. S. Boar 7, John Wathen 8. All commented on the splendid "go" of the bells, which were rehung twelve months ago by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. Incidentally, this was the first quarter of Stedman on the bells since the re-hanging.
On the return journey, Tredington, with its light ring of five in a quaint wooden campanile, was visited, and a six-score each of Stedman, Grandsire and Plain Bob were rung, after which a welcome adjournment was made to the Vicarage, where some excellent cider disappeared in double-quick time. Before the journey was resumed, one of the cycles, being unsound in wind and rim, required attention. After pumping away for some time at a tyre, the owner straightened his back with a sigh of relief. He was then gently led round the corner to his own bike, which was calmly resting on its rims. He had wasted his energy on the wrong machine! Yes! It was Gloucestershire cider. However, with no other stops, the happy little company safely reached the garden town.

## ROUND ABOUT OHELMSFORD.

After a charming week-end experience, the members of the St. Matthew's Society, Upper Clapton, are perfectly agreed that a better place than Chelmsford could not have been found for their annual outing at Whitsun. Most of the society cycled down on the Friday, the others joining them on Saturday. After tea, a more was made to Galleywood, where, after explosing the ohurch and learning one or two interesting details about it, a peal of Grandsire Triples was attempted, aad was successful, the welcome "this is all" being announced after 3 hrs. and 2 mins. ringing. The next morning turned out very fine, and it was decided to walk the three miles to St. Mary's, Great Baddow, where, long lengths not baing permitted, a couple of touches were rung for morning service. In the evening the ringers found their way to the fine peal at All Saints', Writtle, and a quarterpeal was rung for evening service. A peal had been arranged at St, Mary's, Widford, on Whit-Monday, and a start was made at 7 a.m. Half-an-hour later it canc to grief, but it was Bank Holiday, and as no one had any objection, a second attempt was made, but again it met with ill-luck, for, although 5040 changes were rung, the peal ended 12354678-4 and 5 having shifted in the last part. However, the party soon recoveled the usual serenity of spirit, and after dinnes cycled over to St. Mary's, Broomfiekl, where several touches of Doubles and Minor were rung. A visit was then made to SS. Mary and Lawrence, Great Waltham, where a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was successfully rung on this grand peal of bells. The society desire to thank Mr. Henry F. Cooper for so kindly arranging such an admirabla ringing programme, and both he and Mr. Richell for assisting in the peal at Galleywood; Nr. George Lucas, senr., who acsteepanied them on their visits to arious and last, but not least, Mr Wm. Lincoln for standing in the quarter-peal at Great Waltham at short notice. The outilig, whilst being modest in its ringing (Grandsire being rung nearly all through) was, nevertheless, thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who took part in
[Reports of other outings are unavoidably held over.]

## WESTHALL CHURCH BELLS, SUFFOLK.

The Parish Church of Westhall was built in the 12th century. It has some fine remains of Norman architecture, and was very probably built on the foundation of a Saxon Church. Various developments and extensions were made in the following centuries from the 13th to tower, and the tenor, weighing $13 \frac{1}{2}$ cut., is dated 1626 , and is a very fine-toned bell. Two others aro dated 1616. There is no appearance of anything having been done to framework or to the bearings for many years, and about four years ago the ringers came to the conclusion that it was dangerous to ring the bells, and ceased to do so. Since then they have been rery carefully examined by church bell founders and hangers, and an old-established firm in Suffolk very recently offered to take them down, repair and strengtlen the framework, provide new stock, gudgeons and bearings, turn the bells, put in new clappers, new wheels, guides, floor, ropes, and all other work necessary to put the peal in good and sound ringing order for £63 2s. 6d. The Vestry meeting at Easter cordially approved of the proposal that this work should be doue, and friends in the parish have raised $£ 30$ towards the cost. The Vicar (the Rev. S. Smith) and the churchwardene are now appealing to friends outside to help them raise the balance. Any contributions will be thankfully received and acknowledged by the Vicar.
JUNBRIDGE WELLS.-At St. Peter's Church, on Sunday, April 13th, before evening service, a quartcr-peal of Double Normich Court Bob Najor, (1328 changes), in 48 mins., by the local band, as a farewell to F. J. Laker, who has recently left the town for Canada: J. Muggridge 1, H. Porter 2. G. Thompson 3. A. Verralls 4. W. Smith 5, S. J. Perkins, junr., 6, F. J. Laker 7, S. Perkins, senr. (conductor) 8.-On December 22nd, 1912, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich (1328 changes), was rung in 50 mins.: J. Muggridge 1, J. Perkins 2, G. Thompson 3, A. Verralls 4, W. Smith 5, W. Latter 6, J. Laker 7, S. Perkins (conductor) 8.

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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

THE PRESIDING MASTER OF THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.

The Exercise includes in its ranks many men who in other walks of life occupy high places. One such is Mr. J. S. Pritchett, of Hill Top, King's Norton, who for some years has been Presiding Master of the St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham. Mr. Pritchett has had a distinguished career both in his profession as a barrister, and in public life. An erudite scholar, he is a great linguist, while in public affairs he has given much valuable time to matters of local government. His interests are widely diffused, yet amid all, he finds time to pursue the art of ringing, in which he is keenly interested, and has reached no mean pinnacle of fame. With his three brothers he learned to ring at King's Norton as a boy, and followed up the Art at Oxford as a member of the University Guild. He joined the College Youths in 1875 and

has been a member of St. Martin's Guild since 1874, haring occupied the position of Master for about seven years. He is a vice-president of the Worcestershire and Districts Lssociation, a member of the Midland Counties and other Issociations. He joined the Central Council many years ago as a representative of the Worcestershire Association, and has been an hon. member for the last ten years. Unfortunately Mr. Pritchett has not kept a record of his peals, but he has rung well over a hundred, including all the standard methods and also Superlative, Cambridge and London Surprise Major and Stedman Cinques, in all of which methods he has conducted peals. Mr. Pritchett's record in this direction is one of which he might well be proud, but he is prouder still of the fact that he has rung regularly for Sunday morning service for more than 40 years.

Educated at Birmingham and Oxford, Mr. Pritchett in 1869 was first in all England in the Oxford (Junior) Local

Examination. An exhibitioner to Balliol College in 1873, he took a first class in mathematics in 1877, and became M.A. in 1880, and B.C.L. in 1886 . In 188 1 he was called to the Bar at the Inner Temple. He was a member of the King's Norton School Board from 1895 to 1898 , a county councillor for Worcestershire 1899-I9II, and became an alderman of the Birmingham City Council in 191. In connection with his linguistic attainments it is interesting to note that he took first prize for translation from Welsh into English at the Birmingham Eisteddfod, in 1909; and has made a critical study of Don Quixote in the Spanish of Cervantes, and the Kalevola in the original Finnish. Mr. Pritchett has many distinctions in Freemasonry, Royal Arch and Mark Masonry, while he is also a Provincial Grand Treasurer of Knights Templars, and in Rose Croix is a member of the Thirty-first Degree. He remains also a vice-president of the Birmingham Undeb y Brythoniaid (Union of Britons).

It is extremely pleasant to think that in a life of such great activity Mr. Pritchett is still able to take so important a place in our Exercise.

## ODD CHANGES.

Referring 'to our article upon the Kent ringer and county cricketer, George Collins, a correspondent reminds us that the name of Cox, of Sussex, should be added as that of a ringer and first class cricketer. For some time he formed one of the Warnham band, and was a good striker, but on taking up cricket as a professional his interest in ringing somewhat waned. As is well known, he has been for many years one of the mainstays of the Sussex team, and many performances, both with bat and ball, stand to his credit, though it is more in the bowling department than with the willow that he has made his reputation.

In reply to the correspondent who inquired if there are any bells hung with iron headstocks and with the cannons retained, we are informed that the front six of the peal of twelve at Christ Church, West Bromwich, were so hung by Messrs. Barwell and Co., some years ago.

The first twelve-bell peal in Birmingham was rung 140 years ago last Tuesday. This was a peal of Grandsire Cinques, 5324 changes, at St. Martin's, on June 3 rd, if73, in 3 hrs. 30 mins. by : Robert Peck treble, Richard Newman 2, Daniel Veisey 3, Thos. Corbin 4, John Smith 5, Thos. Hadley 6, William Rendall 7, Phineas Smith 8, John Foster 9, Samuel Brooke io, Thos. Medlam ir, Jame Nock and John Miles tenor. Composed and conducted by $P$. Smith. There have been a few peals rung at St. Martin's since then!

Ringers visiting the Agricultural Show at Braintree on June Inth, will be welcomed at the Parish Church tower, which will be open for ringing all dar.

## HERTS ASSOCIATION MEETING.

A rery enjoyable meeting of the Hertfordshire Association (eastern (district) was held at Bennington on Saturday afternoon. Touches of Grandsire Triples, Double Norwich, Treble Bob, Stedman Triples and Superlative, were successfully brought round during the afternoon and evening. Fifteen towers were represented, among them being: Hatfield. Hitchin, Oxhey, Great and Littlo Munden, Wallington, Baldock, IErtford. Inton, Bennington, Barley, Great Wymondley and Ware. A substantial tea was kindly prowided by Canon Mills in the Parish Room, following which the usual busmess meeting was held, Canon Mills being in the chair. At the close of the meeting, a cordial vote of thanks was given Canon Milis and Mr. W. H. Lawrence (secretary in the eastern district of the Herts Association).

## HERE AND THERE.

The eight bells at St. Michael, at Coslany, Norwioh, are now being rehung in a reconstructed frame by Messrs. Day and Son, of Eye. They have been unpealable, and almost unringable for some years. The dedication will take place on June 22nd. The first peal of Double Norwioh was supposed to have been rung on these bells.
The peal of Grandsire Triples rung at St. Peter's, Northampton, last week, was rung, as will be seen by the footnote, by a band of entirely St. Peter's men. It was the first peal by all, and the first peal by St. Peter's Society since the bells were hung in the year 1734. It was accomplished at the fourth attempt. Some of those taking part have been ringers for many years, two of them for over 30 years. The company are very proud of the performance, and are certainly to bo congratulated.
When the Alfreton District of the East "Derbyshire Association was held at Crich, illness near the church prevented more than two short touches being lung. Members were present from Alfreton, Morton, South Normanton, Swanwich, North Wingfield, South Wingfield, and the local company. The Association was welcomed to Crich by Mr. George Brown, who presided at the meeting, and it was decided to continue the monthly district gatherings during the summer. The next will be held at Morton.

Mr. Ernest Powell, who for nearly three years has acted as bell warden at the Parish Church, Bradpole, Dorset, who is seeking his fortune in Canada, has been presented by the Vicar, churchwardens and ringers with a most useful solid leather travelling bag, with every wish for his future happiness and success. The presentation was made by the Rev. C. F. Langford. A touch of 518 Grandsire Triples was rung before the presentation, by: J. Lathey 1, T. Hervey Beams (conductor) 2, P. Hayden Beams 3, J. W. Zealley 4, H. Haines 5, E. A. Powell 6, T. Lathey 7, A. Hill 8.

At Warsop, Notts, four belis have just been installed, and a scheme is shortly to be started to raise funds for an additional treble and tenor. Of those at present in the tower the treble, second and tenor have been recast, and the third quarter turned. They are hung in a steel frame, supported on massive girders built into the walls, and the work carried out by Messrs. Taylor and Co. has given the greatest satisfaction, the "go" of the bells leaving nothing to be desired. After the dedication service, the bells were rung in rounds.

It was stated in the annual report of the Sussex Association that the tenor at Henfield was being recast, and the other bells and the frame restored. We are informed that the whole octave is being recast, and are to be lung in a new steel frame by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough. The dedication will take place on St. Peter's Day, June 29th. The ringing on that occasion will be done entirely by the local ringers, and a special day subsequently will be arranged for other members of the "Association. Notice as to date and time will be duly advertised in "The Ringing World.

Another member of the St. Mary's Guild, Acton, Mr. E. G. Mackman, has decided to try his fortune out West, and has gone to join Dr . Nicholl's band at Boston. A farewell ringing gathering was arranged at Christ Church, Ealing, the Acton tower being closed through illness. Touches of Grandsire and a plain course of Stedman were brought round, the ringers taking part being: Messrs. $R$. and $H$. Holloway, Phillips, Sims, Paine, Fruin, Cotton, Ridler, M. E. G. and J. I. Mackman. On dispersing, Mr. Mackman received the heartiest wishes of the company for his welfare in his new sphere of life. Mr. W. Holloway, who sailed for Montreal in February last, is reported to be doing well, and it is hoped that he will have had the opportunity of practising the art there.

The winners of the ringing contest between Heathfield and Warbleton, Sussex, for Mr. B. S. Hassell's cup, were the Heathfield Band. In the contest at Clifford, Hereford, open to teams of the Hereford Guild, for the trophy given by Capt. Kidston, the winners were St. Leonard's, Bridgnorth; the second team being St. Mary's, Bridgnorth. We hope to give a full report next week.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. James C. Comb, an old London ringer. He was a contemporary of Woods, Carter and Stockham, and rang what was, we believe, his only peal, with them 66 years ago.
'The ring of eight bells of Henbury Church, Bristol (tenor 21 cwt.) are to be restored and rehung in a new steel frame. The work has been entrusted to Messrs. John Warner and Sons, of the Spitalfields Foundry.

The new ring of eight bells, from Messrs. John Warner and Sons' foundry, which are being hung at Dalton-in-Furness, are to be dedicated by the Bishop of Carlisle, on June 20th. The frame has been arranged for a peal of ten, and the two trebles will be added as soon as funds are raised.

SURPRISE MINOR NAMES.
The naming of the Surprise Minor methods, publisbed in the Centrat Council Collection has been completed, as follows:-

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| Hexham |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | Alnwick | 17 | Cunecastre | 31 |
| 3 | Canterbury | 18 | Allendlale | 32 |
| York |  |  |  |  |
| 4 | Morpeth | 19 | Bacup | 33 |
| 5 | Newcastle | 20 | Bamborough | 34 |
| Berwick |  |  |  |  |
| 6 | Chester | 21 | Warkworth | 35 |
| 7 | Whitley | Beverley |  |  |
| 8 | Northumberland | 22 | Lancashire | 30 |
| Norfolk |  |  |  |  |
| 9 | Carlisle | 23 | Lightfoot | 37 |
| Ipswich |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | Wooler | 24 | Stamford | 38 |
| Primrose |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | Sandiacre | 25 | Wearmouth | 39 |
| Cambridge |  |  |  |  |
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| 14 | London | 23 | Netherseale | 42 |
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## AN ENQUIIRY

The Rev. A. T. Beeston writes: "Has No. 10 Treble Bob in C.C. Collection of Minor Methods been already named? If not, I would name it 'Chadkirk.' The extent was rung at Norbury on May 29th.

## SURFLEET BELLS.

## THE OPENING

The residents of Surfleet, Lincs, were charmed with a ceaseless peal of melody on Saturday, when the official opening of the new peal of ten took place. The bells, it will be remembered, were dedicated while in the olurch, and they have since been placed in position in the tower. The work has been splendidly carried out by Messrs. Taylor and Co., the tone and "go" of the new bells being all that can be desired. In conjunction with the opening, a mecting of the Elloe Deaneries Branch of the Lincoln Guild was held. Ringers attended from Bicker, Donington, Surfleet, Pinchbeck, Spalding, Deeping St. Nicholas, Moulton, Fleet, Iong Sutton, Sutton Bridge, Heckington, Great Hale, Derby, and Peterborough. Ringing commenced in the morning about 11 o'clock, and was kept up till 9 p.m., touches being rung in Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Bob Royal and Little Boy Royal. Dinner was held at the Crown Inn, where Host Battram provided an excellent spread, to which ample justice was done.-The Rev. F. F. Wayct (President of the branch) presided, supported by the Revs. TI. Law James (Vicar and Master of Lincoln Guild), C. W. 0. Jenkyn (Mnster of the Oxford Guild), B. H. T. Drake and Wm. Blandford. and Messrs. J. Richardson, W. E. Burrell (churchwardens), G. W. Hensman and J. W. Taylor.

After dinner the Chairman gave the toast of "Church and King," after which the business meeting was proceeded with.-Mr. W. E. Burrell was elected an hon. member, and Mr. J. W. Lakin a ringing member. Donington was selected as the place at which to hold the next meeting in October.- A short service was held in the church at 3 o'clock, when an excellent address was given by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, who took for his text, Rev. xxi, 16, a collection being taken for the restoration of the Ringers' Chapel in the Cathedral at Lincoln. Tea was provided in the Fraser School, the tables being presided over by Mrs. R. Richardson, Mrs. J. Richardson. Mrs. J. Tomlinson and the Misses Richardson.

## PEAL OF EIGHT FOR STANDISH, LANCS

By the addition of a new treble and tenor, the peal at St. Wilfred's Church, Standish, Lancs. has been increased to eight. The work has been carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, who bave also recast two of the old bells and retuned the rest, and hang the whole in a new iron frame. The augmentation of the bells has been rendered possible by the generosity of the Eckersley and Pendlebury families, Who have given the new bells as a memorial to their deceased parents, while the parishioners have provided the new frame by public subscription.

For tho opening of the bells, ringers attended from the adjacent parishes of Chorley, Coppall, Penwortham, Whittle-le-Woods and Wigan, the dedication being performed by the Bishop of Whalley, assisted by the Rev. C. W. N. Hutton (Rector), and the local clergy. Afterwards, the bells rang out merrily to the delight of the ringers and the inhabitants. The opening touch, 504 Grandsire Triples, was rung by the Chorlcy ringers: J. Marsden 1, T. Lofthouse 2, R. Clayton 3, W. Hunter 4, T. Lucas 5, R. Taylor 6, F. Rigby 7, J. H. Gartside 8. Touches by mixed bands followed.

At a tea for the ringers, kindly provided by the Rector in the School, Mr. Walker, in moving a voto of thanks, congratulated all concerned upon the fine peal of bells they had got in their tower. They had a peal of bells to be proud of, and Miessrs. Mears and Stainbank deserveal great praise for carrying out the work so successfully, Great credit was also due to Messrs. Lawrence and Oliver, who had carricd out the work of erection for the firm. He expressed the hope that the Standish ringers would receive the assistance of the Chor ley and Wigan men. Mr. Mason seconded the vote, and Mr, Marsden. (Chorley) supported it in a few well-chosen remarks.


York Minster.

# MESSRS. JOHN WARNER \& SONS, Ltd., of the Spitalfields Foundry, London, have been entrusted with the following rings of 12 bells: 

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## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING. <br> SPECIAKLY REPORTED BY "THEE RINGING WORLD

 REPRESIENTATIVE.
## peal ringing and the public.

In continuing the discussion introduced by the Rev. H. J. Elsee, Mr. A. T. King remarked that he was very much in sympatby with a great deal that had been said, but there were always two sides to every question. Mr. Elsee talked about the peals they rang and the noise they made, and all the rest of it, but ringers did that years ago. They had only to look through the churchwardens' accounts, and they would find that the bells were rung on any and every occasion. The people in those days did not complain, and why should they do it now? When ne (the spsaker) saw this resolution he thought to himself, "This is meeting trouble half way, it is rather asking for trouble." What were the clergy about, if ringing was an annoyance to the parishioners? They had the safeguards in their own hands. If the ringers did their duty on Sunday they had a right to have their own pleasure on week-days, if they could get the bells without making themselves obnoxious to anybody. There was no harm in that. They had only to ask permission, and if it was not right that they should have permission, he, as an old secretary, knew that they would not get it. Me thought the objection to bells emanated from cranks, who, he believed, mostly lived in garden cities, and who contracted themselves out of everything which gave any pleasure at all to their neighbours. Continuing, Mr. King said when the Council met at Exeter they had the skeleton of this present discussion. The subject was, "Is too much stress laid upon peal ringing?" A number' of people spoke upon it from different standpointe, and as a full-dress academic debate, it was exceedingly illuminating. Some looked at it from the point of view of the resident, others from the point of view of the ringer. But it seemed to him now that they had changed, and that they were now going to look at it altogether from the point of view of the desident. Let them take it once more from the point of riew of the ringer. They all of them had their work to do on Sunday.
iir. Burton: Some have and some have not
THE VALUE OF PEAL RINGING
Mr. King said perhaps Mr. Burton would give them the names of some of those who had not. He has never been brought in contact with those who had not their Sunday duty to perform, but Mr. Burton's experience may have been different to his. They had a duty to perform, and everybody would say it was their duty to perform it with all the skill of eye and of hand that they could put into it (hear, hear). How were they to get that skill? Were they to get it always on practics night? Some of them possibly might, but they knew the importance attacined to bells. They were told that the bells had a message. It was the poet Longfellow who said:-

The bells themselves are the best of preachers,
Their brazen lins are learned teachers
From their pulpit of stone in the upper air,
Sending aloft without crack or flaw,
Shriller than trumpets under the law.
Now a sermon and now a prayer.
(applanse). Very well, if they were to interpret, as it were, their art upon the bells liney were bound to get practice of all kinds and experience of all kinds in order that they might become proficient. They could not get that proficiency unless they were allowed to ring peals. 'That they were obliged to ring, in order that they might get merit, peals of 5,000 changes was due entirely to the Council, who fixed it at that. They were perfectly well aware that there were cases where, if a man had no chance for an occasional peal outside his own tower, he might have to wait half a lifetime before le would have a chance of ringing a peal. Thore were those who woukd ring anything in time, given the chance, there were others who were on a dead level of mediocrity and would never rise. Was a man to be blamed because he tried to improve himself and become more proficient by going amongst others who knew more than he? Mr. King pointed out that the great increase in the number of peals of bells was owing to the jubilee of their late beloved Queen, and the accession of the late King Edward and the accession of King George. As an illustration of how the number of peals had increased, he quoted the case where an uncle of his was rector, and in whose time there were ouly five bells at his church. The ringers rang "stony," and they didn't trouble, and did not want to ring peals. Now there werc eight bells in the tower, and the present rector was an able conductor, and they rang a peal a month. That was twelve in a year where there were none before, and that was going on all over the country, and it was not that people were heing put to additional annoyanes
by the ringing of additional peals on the same bells. In the village of which he liad spoken the people were proud of their bells, and he believed if every district were polled they would find that there would be a large majority of people in favour of the bells-Nonconformisis, as well as people who attended the church (applause). Tis experience was that as many Nonconformists had contributed to the Christmas fund for the ringers, for whom he had sent round the hat, as people who attended Church, and these people were able to appreciata the fact that the bells had a message, and that the people who harl been sending out that message should be encouraged as far as possible. But let then turn to the other side. There were some who had an
almost fanatical objection to bells whenever they were rung and wherever they were rung. They were, happily, not numerous, but they made row enongh. for a thousand. He contended that they were not the persons they had got to consider. They were the sort of people to be called to worship by a muffin bell, rung by the local muffin boy, for to call them on tower bellis probably reminded them of a forgotteu duty (applause).

## A MATTER FOR THE CLERGY.

Mr. G. P. Burton said the suggestion he made earlier in the meeting, for an alteration in the value of peals, really came into his mind when turnng over the proposition before the Council, in order that they might cievise something to alter in come way the excessive peal ringing and to temper it down more in conformity with church ideas. Mr. Elsee had given them the point of view of the public, and Mr. King the point of view of the ringers. But surely there was another point of view, that of the church and of themselves as Churchmen. He could not conceive that it was sufficient that ringers should go about ringing peals for practico without special occasion, and it was an excellent suggestion that bands on tour should ring touches instead. As ringing master at St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich he had had some experienco of the difficulties and troubles that aroso. They had had to deal with one obnoxious person, and in the main what Mr. King had said about them was right. Most people liked the bells, but he thought that in the end they were bound to study the obnoxious people, because they would have their way. Although he sympathised with what Mr. Elsee had said, he could not conceive that this peal question was a general question. Surely it lay entirely with the clergy and wardens. These people knew the local conditions, which var'ied so tremendously, and could regulate the ringing accordingly. IIe thought the Council had no business to trespass on their province. IIe still felt that if they only had the tariff he suggested and protection for proper peal ringing, it would do something to lessen the cause for public complaint. Mr. King that morning seemed to make the suggestion that he (Mr. Burton) was getting at somebody. He was doing nothing of the kind. He was only thinking of his own conscience, which sometimes told him if he inquired too closely into his own peal ringing that he could not always find hat the occasion was proper.
Mr. King said he accepted what Mr. Burton had said, but in the course of a long life so many people had tried to "get at" him that he got a little restless (langhter)

## LAWFUL OCCASIOÑS FOR PEALS

The Rev. F. Ll. Edwards said the did not in the least bit agree that they were going too far in meeting matters half-way. It was the wisest thing they could do. They lived in an age when they never knew when someone would spring a Bill upon Parliament to say that no bell was to be sounded in the country until further orders. In Scotland they had that state of things already, and the local authority had power to say to a churoh when a bell should be rung and for how long. There were always, of course, a number of cranks; let them alone. It depended very much more on the parson of the parish than on anyone else, but the great essential point was that they should be standing on sure ground. The public, as had been already saik, were getting much more sensitive, simply because of tho perpetual strain and noiso of the present age, and, therefore, the ringing of a peal was muoh more likely to affect them than it was a century ago. There could be no doubt that the irritation caused would be far greater if the public heard peals rung for no conceir-
able reason than if they heard them ringing for a definite purpose. It was nost essential that peal ringing should be done on lawful occasions, the speaker added, and procceded to enumerate the days in May and June when peals might well be rung to celebrate ecclesiastical and royal occacions. If the peals were rung for these purposes the pablic would understand the reason, and there would be no irritaLion bocause they were rung for a reason which was not in the least apparent to tho public, except that the ringers wanted to enjoy homselves.
The Rev. W. W. C. Baker said he was perfectly persuaded that the infarourable day had already come. In his early days, when they finished a peal, part of the people were waiting to congratulate them and to offer them suitable refreshment. Now, if they were waiting for them at the conclusion of a peal it was for a very different purthat peonle liked to ring upon, and when he gave leave, it was not because there was no opposition. He knew perfectly well that every time he gave permission he was exposing himself to unpleasant remarks from people who were fond of bells and liked to hear them in reason, but who lived near the church, and found three hours straight off rathey more than they cared about. He would ask the Council onstile to bells, the was a strong feeling among those wh hours con stituted an intolerable strain, and he hope what Mr. Elsee had said would be carefully considered.

## INJUNCTIONS THAT WERF THREATENED

The Rers. H. Lrw James and Mr. J. R. Newman gave instances of where the noise from the bells had been effectively deadened by judicious blocking up of the windows. Mr. Newman suggested that the Council should issue a pamphict to
the boarding up of the loure holes.

The Rev. H. Law James: Pamphlets are no use, go and do it yourselres all over tis oonintry.
The Hon. Secretary quoted an instance in which a parishioner contemplated bringing an action at law against the authorities at a certain church on aosount of the ringing at practice and on Sundays. The matler was brought to his (the hon. secretary's) notice by the Rural Dean, and ho leplied that if the gentleman did bring his action he would not get very much by it. He referred the legal question to Mr. Pritchett, who wrote a mosi illuminating letter on the subject. Sometimes, the hon. secretary added, the public were most unreasonable.
Mr. Griffin said at Burton-on-Trent, although the ringing was restricted to perfectly reasonable limits-thers had been only two peals rung since the bells were recast last October some person had written to the Press offering to start a subscription to obtain an injunction restraining the bells from being rung, and saying that they had no business to be rung except for a wedding (laughter).
Mr. Groombridge said a similar suggestion was made at Bromley Common, when first the bells were put up, but the louvres had been bricked up, and no complaint was made now. With regard to the suggestion by Mr, Edwards that they might ring peals on Sundays, as feast days, he thought this would bring the nation down on their heads, as the greatest objection he had found was to peal ringing on Sindays.

## FACING THE FACTS.

The President said he did not think it was necessary to move any resolution on the subject. The matter was first brought prominently to his notice by Mr. F. E. Dawe. Mr. Dawe was a man who had travelled about a good deal, and he told him at the Johnson dinner at Birmingham that he felt certain that the opposition to bell ringing was growing, and not only growing, but becoming more organised. In that organisation lay their danger. They had just heard Mr. Griffirt say that someone at Burton had offered to get up a subscription for opposing ringing. That was the beginning of it. He was afraid he could not take the view that Mr. King took, that they should snap their fingers in the fase of this growing feeling of opposition. The nerves of the country were becoming much more sensitive, and he thought it would be unwise to go on without recognising the feeling that was growing up. It had been pointed out to them that an Act of Parliament might bo passed to stop ringing, and in these days, when any Bill could be got through Parliament if it was only bad cnough, there was no reason why a Bill should not pass, even though very small proportion of the country was really in favour of it. They had that Bill were put before the country as a whole that it would be rejected as an absolutely unfair measure. But they had a certain number of people in Parliament whose position depended on taking a particular line in regard to that Bill, and in consequence of that action the Bill, so far as the Commons was concerned, was an Act. Ancl so they might have a Bill brought in in regard to ringing. It Was not at all a fanciful idea. In any case it would be well for country was going through a period of change. There were more brain workers and fewer hand workers, and they were gradnally increasing the majority against them. They would find that in the country places the people loved their bells; they found that in the towns the people who objected to bells were the people who worked with their heads, and the people who worked with their heads had "t the gift of the gab,'" which was more effective in getting anything done, especially when they regarded it as a nuisance. It was by no means impossible for a thoroughly organised crusade against ringing to be successful. He earnestly beseeched them to bear this in mind, and see whelher, in their arrangements, without making any great change straight off, they could not gradually, in parious ways, reduce what so many people considercd a very great nuisance.

SUGGESTIONS FOR MINIMISING OPPOSITION,
First of all it had been pointed out how they could check the sound of bells wery much, and is a rule they yould improve their sound by blocking up the greater part of the tower windows, particularly when the windows were opposite the bells. It was a ridiculous idea to supprose that the noise of the bells, if it were boxed in, could injure the tower. It was just conceivable that the vibration might bring out lit tle loose bits of mortar from the joints in the tower, but it was utterly do a great deal by seeing, when any effect on the fabric. They could do a great deal by seeing, when they rang peals that ther got a decent mand. Mr. Jaspar Snowdon pointed out that very few people cared what was rung in a tower, but what they did care about and what every person coukd appreciate was the diffcrence between good striking and striking (applause). When peals were rung by a young band-all r to them-ther could not expect anything very first rate in the striking, and these penls were exceptional. But in a large num-
instances he could name excellent conductors who had dragged ncompetent bands through $\pi$ peal. There could be no possible satisfaction in that, and peals like that should be discountenanced altogether. IThey had no brisiness to go into a tower and pretend to ning if they could not do so. Praclice was a different thing. Excellent suggestions had been made that day as to the occasious on which might properly be rung. They would retain, or gain, a very considerablo amount of sympathy from the general public if they could give a good reason for ringing. Altogether there were many
ways in which this so-called nuisance could be mitigated, and he would like to point out that it was extremely important that the delegates who came there from the various associations should recognise that it was of very littlo purposc for them to take part in or listen to a discussion of that kind which might have no inconsiderable value, if they did not go back and make known to their associations what they had heard; at all events in so far as it met with their approval. That was the way in which the Council should do its work, but he was sadly afraid that members were often willing to come and receive information at those meetings, but when they went back, did. not impart it to those for whose benefit it was really intended. He hoped in this case they would bring the matter before their associations, because he was certain a case had been made out for their careful consideration (applause).
The matter was then allowed to drop.

## SUPERLATIVE ROYAL

The Rev. H. Law James moved: "That the Council is of opinion that Superlative Surprise Royal, as priblished by Shipway, is the same method as Superlative Surprise Major." He said something like a hundred years ago, William Shipway produced Superlative Surprise Royal, and nobody had touched it since 1823. At that time a band in Wakefield rang what was called a peal of it. But Shipway's peal was false, and it was quite likely that the peal at Wakefield was this composition. As, however; they had not got the figures of the Wakefield pearl, he was not preparcd to say whether there had been a peal of it rung or not. The system by which he should prove the method was Superlative could be applied to every double method. The speaker then went into a technical and abstruse analysis of the method of Superlative on eight and ten bells, based upon the relative position of the places, and said that the only method that satisfiod his proof for Superlative Royal was the method which Shipway published.-The Hon. Secretary seconded the resolution for the purpose of discussion.

Mr. J. S. Pritchett said the method might be a legitimate extension of Superlative Surprise Major, but he did not think it was. There were two or three problems which people had spent a yast amount of time over, but had never solved, one was the squaring of a circle, and another was the trisection of an angle. The extension of Surprise methods were, in his opinion, problems of a similar character. They could arbitrarily take a method which had some superficial resemblance to the Major, and they might call it, if they liked, the same method in the Royal or Maximus, but it was only so because they called it so. It was not because there was any legitimate way of extending these methods to larger number of bells. No good was to be gained by passing a resolution on the subject.

## MORE TIME WANTED.

Mr. J. W. Parker said he followed Mr. James' arguments vers closely, and he would not like to say whether he was right or wrong. He did not think they had had time to reason out his arguments, and he thought it wotild be unwise for IIr. James to press the question that dily. The Council had not recognised any law governing the extension of a method, and it was, therefore, not in a position to say whether the method was Superlative Royal or not. He thought Mr. James might let the matter rest for a ime, so that they might have more opportunity to study it.
The Rev. H. L. James was willing to let the matter stand over, but if in the meantime he rang a peal of it, he should publish it as Superlative Surprise Royal. The system of working it out had produced Bristol Royal and Gambridge Royal and Maximus, but iz would not produce London Royal, which showed that London did not exist.
The President said the Council would hardly be prepared to endorse Mr. James' views that day. He thought there was really a great deal more sympathy between the various exponents of tliat rather abstruse question than appeared on the surface. He entirely agreed with Mr. Pritehett in regard to the fact that these double methode with Mr. Pritchett ion method The could extend a single method as a rule, but they could not extend a double method. There was no doubt that Plain Bob and Treble Bob were exactly the same methods on 10 and 12 bells as on eight, but Double Norwich Royal was not a bit like Double Norwich Major. Sir Arthur added that he thought any method in which they had more than five-pull dodging coming frequently, would never bo rung to the extent of more than an odd peal. He could not describe to them the monotony of longer dodges. He thought it would be the Wisest course to let the question stand over for a year.
This was agreed to.

## (To be Continued).

## LEEDS SOCIETY.

The monthly meeting of the Lecds aud District Society, held at Shipley, was well attionded, being represented by members from the following tomers: Queensburr, Holbeck, Headingley St. Michael's, Bolton, Long Mirfield, Hunslet, Calverley, Guiseley, Halifax, and the local company. Some good practice was had in the afternoon, and at the subsequent business meeting, at the Sun Hotel, the President was in the chair.-Two new members were elected (Mr. H. Stott, of was in the chair.-Two new members were elected (Mr. H. Stott, of
Guiseley, and Mr. G. Robinson, of Headingley), and a vote of thanles Guiseley, and Mr. G. Robinson, of Headingley), and a vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, and to the local company for their kind arrangements. linging was afterwards again indulged in.

## NOTICES.

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THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham District.-A meeting of the above will be held at Downe on Saturday, June 7 th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Service (association form) and address by the Rev. A. A. Gibson (Vicar) at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea gd. each, to follow at the Queen's Head Hotel. It is hoped that as many as possibly can will attend this meeting. Shoreditch motor 'buses to Farnborough, and thence $1 \frac{1}{2}$ miles through Lord Avebury's park.-T. Groombridge, Honorary District Secretary, 34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern District.-A bye meeting will be held at Bentley, South Weald, on Saturday, June 7 th.-Henry F. Cooper, County Offices, Chelmsford.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (North Bucks Branch).-The annual meeting will be held at Shenley on Saturday, June $7^{\text {th, }}$ next. Service at 3 p.m. -Thos. Best, junr., Secretary.
THE LADIES' GUILD.-A meeting of the northern branch will be held at Burley, Leeds, on Saturday, June $7^{\text {th }}$. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Tea (free to ladies) at Parish Church at 5 o'clock; gentlemen gd. per head.Liliañ A. Willson, District Honorary Secretary.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Tonbridge Dis-trict.-The next meeting of the district will be held at Tonbridge on Saturday, June 7 th, 1913. Tower open at 3. Service in church at 5 . Tea at 5.45 ., followed by the business meeting. Half travelling expenses up to, but not exceeding, 2 s . each will be paid to members attending. -W. Latter, Honorary District Secretary, 26, Duke's Road, Tunbridge Wells.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch.-The next monthly meeting of the above will be held at All Saints' Church, Hamer, on Saturday, June $7^{\text {th }}$, I9I3. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-J. H. Bastow, Branch Secretary.

LOUGHBOROUGH PARISH CHURCH.-A meeting for united practice will be held at the above church on Saturday, June $7^{\text {th }}$, at 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.-H. W. Abbott, 2, Curzon Street, Loughborough.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Northern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Knebworth on Saturday, June 7 th. Tea and business meeting at the Lytton Arms. -F. R. Bacon, District Secretary, Hitchin.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on June roth and 24 th; St. Mary-leBow, Cheapside, on June 1oth; Southwark Cathedral on June 17th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on June Igth; St. Paul's Cathedral, on June 24th; St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus at 7.30 ; the others at 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, ${ }^{22}$, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at Newchurch, near Warrington, on Saturday, June $1^{\text {th }}$ th. Bells available from 2. Meeting at 6 o'clock.-G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-A cycle run will take place to Shareshill (6) on Saturday, June 14th. Bells available at 3 p.m.-Rev. E. V. Cox, 39, Westhourne Road, Walsall.

ELY DIOCES.IN ASSOCIATION.-A district meeting will be held at Long Stanton on Saturday, June 14th. Short service at 5 o'clock. Tea in school room at $5 \cdot 30$. All ringing friends will be welcome.-P. Webb, Ickleton, Saffron Walden, District Secretary.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Stockport and Northwich Branches. - A united branch meeting will be held at Lower Peover on Saturday, June i4th.-Rev. A. T. Beeston and H. Parker, Honorary Secretaries.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Liverpool Branch.-A meeting will be held at Childwall on Saturday, June 14 th. Bells ready at 4.30 .-Walter Hughes.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA. TION. - Northern Branch. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bromsgrove on Saturday, June r 4 th. The bells (io) will be arailable at 3 p.m. Service in the church at 4.45 p.m. Tea, 8d. each, will be provided in the schools at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting to follow. Will those wishing to take tea kindly let me know by Wednesday, June 1 th. All ringers and friends cordially invited.-E. J. Dowler, Branch Secretary, 9, Edward Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established IS24).-Southern District. -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, June 21st, at Christ Church, Blackfriars. Tower open from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting at 8.15 . All ringers and friends invited.-F. A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Blackburn Branch.-A branch meeting will be held at Clitheroe on Saturday, June 21st, 1913 . Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.
SUSSEX AND KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS.A combined meeting of the Eastern Division of the former and the Ashford District of the latter will be held at Rye on Saturday, June 21st. Bells available (Rye 6 and Iden 6) from 2 till 9. Special service at St. Mary's, Rye, at 5 o'clock. Preacher, the Vicar (Rev. A. P. Howes, M.A.), who has also kindly invited all the members attending to the Monastry immediately after the service as his guests to tea. A short business meeting will follow. The usual travelling allowances will be made to the Sussex members attending on application to their secretary as below. It is particularly requested that all members intending to be present will advise their secretaries on or before Tuesday, June 17 th, as, a large attendance being anticipated, the arrangements for tea will involve a considerable amount of time and work.-Secretary Eastern Division, Sussex, G. H. Howse, Kenilworth, Latimer Road, Eastbourne; Secretary Ashford District, Kent, Charles Tribe, British School Villas, Tenterden, Kent.
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-Quarterly meeting at Stafford, Saturday, June 2rst. Bells a a ailable at 3. Service at $5 \cdot 30$, with address by the Rector. Tea at 6 o'clock in St. Mary's Church Institute, Mount Street. Please send word by Tuesday, 17 th inst. Reports are ready.-H. Knight, Honorary Secretary, $I_{5}$, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Ombersley on Saturday, June 2 Ist. Service at 4 p.m. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. - R. G. Knowles, Branch Secretary, Madresfield, Malvern.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Oakham on Saturday, June 2 rst. Bells ready ati 2.30 . Committee meeting at 4 o'clock. Tea (is. each) at a quarter to five, in the Church Room. Will those intending to be present kindly notify Mr. W. E. Higgs, King's Road, Oakham, not later than Thursday, June 19th, so that proper arrangements may be made.-W. E. White, Honorary Secretary.
halifax and district association. - The annual meeting and 8 bell contest will take place at Ripponden Saturday, June 2 ist, 1913. Tenor rol ${ }^{\frac{3}{4}} \mathrm{cwt}$. Draw for order of ringing at 3 p.m. at the Waterloo Inn. Tea will be provided at 6d. each for those who order from me by June 16th. All subscriptions are now due.-F. Salmons, 8, Salishury Place, Halifax.
WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual festival will be held at Vinchester on Monday, June 23rd. Meeting at the Guildhall at 2 p.m. Services in Cathedral at 4 p.m. Preacher, the Rev. A. D. Hill, the original founder and first secretary of the Guild. Tea at 5 p.m. The Cathedral bells will be available.-George Williams, Honorary Secretary, West End, Near Southampton.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. - The adjourned monthly meeting will be held at St. Anne's, Denton ( 6 bells). Bells will be available from 5 p.m. Meeting at 7.30. A hearty welcome to all ringers. -W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.
IDDRESS.-Mr. I. Emery's address is 49, Wellington Road, Bromley, not 29, as stated in the Kent County Report.
A peal board commemorating the "John", peal of Stedman Cinques is to be unveiled at St. Giles' Church, Cripplegate, on Saturday, June 14th, at 4 p.m. Ringers, and particularly members of the Waterloo Society, are invited to be present. The bells will be available until 6 p.m. Tea. is. each, at The Crown, Crown Court, Fleet Street, at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. ., can be arranged for those who send in their names to Mr. J. D. Matthews, I30, Clonmore Street, Southfields, S.W., by Wednesday, June ith. Handbells, etc., afterwards.

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## holiday ApArtments.

Having frequently had inquiries from ringers for information as to other members of the Exercise who have holiday apartments to let, we offer the use of our columns to those who cater for visitors at seaside and other resorts. Terms for insertion will be sent on application.
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Tenor (33 cwt.) of the New Ring of 12.

## WULFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON,

MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, GROYDON. 4th March, 1912. Gentlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given peneral satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,

Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.
MODERN WORK.

## "RAISING THE WIND."

From time to time we get requests to publish appeals for funds to assist in the restoration of bells, and in any work of this kind we are only too happy to give the use of our columns. Any service which we can render in a laudable cause of this kind we are glad to be able to give, and for that reason we commend to our readers the appeals, made last week by the Vicar of Westhall, Suffolk, and in this issue by Captain C. F. Jerram, of Talland, Cornwall. The Vicar of Westhall is asking for a balance of some $£ 3^{\circ}$ to put the bells of his historic church in ringing orderthey have been practically silent for four years. From Talland, however, the appeal is a larger one, for, up to the present, only $£ 105$ has been collected out of about $\pm 35^{\circ}$ required to restore and augment the ring.

In each case the appeal should come with especial force to the members of the respective diocesan associations within whose areas the towers are situated. But ringers generally are ever ready to give their mite to such a cause, and we have no doubt that from many places far afield contributions will be sent to swell the funds in question. What ringers can do in the way of practical help was instanced just recently in their ready and effective response to the appeal in connection with the recasting of Long Stanton tenor. There is not, of course, any organised means of providing contributions for purposes of this kind, although not a few of the associations do valuable work by contributing with liberality to bell restoration schemes. Some societies have special reserves for this purpose, others give out of the general funds.

It has often occurred to us, however, that something more might be done by the ringers individually. Could not the special funds for this purpose be augmented, for instance, by a voluntary contribution of a penny each by every band that rang a peal? This would not be a very serious levy, but it would help to swell a fund intended to assist an object of vast importance to the ringer. To take a couple of examples. Last year the Norwich Association rang 265 peals. This, at a penny per member, would have represented something over f8. Again, the Middlesex Association rang 153 peals, which, at penny per member, would have provided something over f.5. Small amounts these, it may be said, when bell restoration at one tower may run into hundreds of pounds. Very true; but " every mickle makes a muckle," and such a sum contributed by those who enjoy peal ringing might be used with no inconsiderable advantage. We throw the idea out as a suggestion to those who care to consider it. At any rate it may open the way to something further being done by ringers in connection with bell restoration.

# CHARLES CARR, ${ }^{\text {II0 }}$ 



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## TEN BELL PEAL.

CARDIFF, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LI.ANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, June 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Elcven Minutes,

At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 GHANGES;
Tenor 27 cwt.
Samelel Williams ... ...Treble William G. Miller ... 6
Henry Day... ... ... ... 2 Sidney Dawe ... ... ... 7
Clarence O. Hobbs... ... 3 Fred ChamberlaiN... ... 8

Composed by Sam Wood, and
Conducted by Benjamin Thorp.
Rung as a farewell peal to W. G. Miller, one of the St. John's Guild, who was leaving Cardiff for the West Coast of Africa on the Irth inst., the ringers wishing him every prosperity in his new sphere.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, June 1, 1913, in Three Hours aud Fivc Minutes, At the Church of St. Remigius,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES ;
Tenor so cwt.
Edinin Whiting ... ...Treble George Snelling ... ... 5
†Frederick Seager ... ... 2 Alfred Smith ... ... ... 6
Clarence Gooch ... ... 3 Ernest Whiting ... ... 7
*Albert Brown... ... ... 4 John Snelling... ... ...Tenor
Composed by A. Crayen, and
Conducted by Edwin Whiting.

* First peal in the method. † Fiftieth peal. Rung as a birthclay compliment to the ringer of the tenor.

EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Oथ Tuesday, June 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Sevcn Minutes,
At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES ; Tenor $8 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt., in A.
*Walter Alcock ... ...Treble Joseph Sharp ... ... ... 5 James Livermore, Junt.... 2 Ernest Gower ... ... 6 George H. Howse... ... 3 Edward W. Bray ... ... 7 *Frank Medhurst ... ... 4 Keith Hart ... ... ...Tenor Composed by William Willson, and

Conducted by Keith Hart.

* First peal and first attempt in the method. Rung in honour of the birthday of His Majesty King George V.

BISHOPWEARMOUTH, SUNDERLAND. THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, June 3, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Sir A. P. Heywood's Variation of Tifurstais'.
Tenor II $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Robert W. Lovie ... ...Tyeble Thomas W. Ditchbern... 5
Cecil O. Sayer... ... ... 2 Joseph W. Parker... ... 6
Michael F. Harrison ... 3 †Robert L. Patterson ... 7 John Pickering ... ... ... 4 *George Pickering ... ... Tenor Conducted by J. W. Parker.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Stedman away from the tenor, Rung in honour of the birthday of His Majesty King George V.


## FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, June 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES

Tenor I6 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lbs.
 George V.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY. On Tuesday, June 3, 19.13, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGE ;

## Tenor $20 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in $E$.

 James M. Bailey Coinposed by Charles F Bailey -... Tyor Conducted by Chardes F Bailey
*First peal and first attempt. Rung in honour of the King's birthday.

## NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, June 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. 26 lbs .
William G. Edwards ...Treble *Arthur Stobbingion ... 2

| Henry W. Wilkes ... | ... | 3 | William H. George | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William | T. Tucker | $\ldots$. | 4 | Gforge Williams ... | ...Tenor | Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by George Williams.

* First peal of Double Norwich. Rung in honour of the King's Birthday.


## BUSHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. James,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

 Tenor 13 civt.William Seeley ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ Francis A. Smith ... ... 5 Richard Darlow... Walter S. Inwood ... ... 3 Robert E. Stavert ... 7 Edwin F. Pike

Composed Gu Gabriel Lindoff, and $_{4}$ Conducted by Beriram Prewett
Rung on the 7ist birthday of Mr. J. Prewett, father of the conductor and hon. member of the Association.

## WOOD GREEN, STAFFORDSHIRE

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.
On Thursday, June 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Paul,
A PEAL OF STEDAAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES:
Thorstans' Fouk-Part.

| Thomas Hill | .. | $\ldots$ | ... Treble | James Tyler | ... | ... | .. | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - William Hill... | ... | .. | 2 | Bert Horton | .. | .. | .. | 6 | Charles Tyler Edgar Marlow

... 4 Amos COOPER ... ... ...Tenor birthday compliment to $T$. I-Till and $B$. Horton. All the ringers belong to the local band. J. Tyler, C. Tyler and W. Hill were proposed members of the Dudley and Districts Guild previous to starting.

## PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

> At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOE MAJOR, 6088 CHANGES ;


Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by William Steele.

* 5 oth peal as conductor.


## DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5312 CHANGES; Tenor 17 cwt.

| Arthur Knights... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | James L. Wright .... | ... | 5 |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Herbert Day | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Fred W. Hill | $\ldots$ | .. | 6 |

Henry Gregory ... ... ... 3 *Alfred C. Wright ... 7 Thomas White ... $\cdots \cdots$... 4 William Taylor ... ...Tenoy Composed and Conducted by Arthor Knights.

* First peal in the method.


## CONDOVER, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.
(St. Chad's Society, Shrewsbury.)
On Saturday, June 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minules, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANEES;

Tenor 13 cwt.
Charles R. Lilley ... ...Treble William R. Stockdale... 5
George Tipton ......

William J. Taylor ..... .4 .4 Fred W. Taylor...
Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and Conducted by Charles R. Lilley.
Rung as a centenary peal for the opening of the bells. First peal of Major on the bells; also first in the method by the above Guild. It is also the first peal of Major by all except ringers of the treble, 4 th and tenor, and was rung at the first attempt.

## NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE

THE LTANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Satuday, June 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES; Tenor ${ }^{15} \mathrm{cwt}$.

A. Victor Morgan ... ...Treble John W. Jones ... ... 5 | Clarence O. Hobbs ... | ... | 2 | Fred Chamberlain | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William B. Biss | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Sidney Daive... | ... |
| .. | 7 |  |  |  |  | William B. Biss

Arthur E. Morgan Conducted by Sidney Dawe.
First peal in the method on the bells. First peal of Kent Major for the Association. First peal of Tient Major for all except the ringer of the 5 th.

## LECKHAMPTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, June 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves' Varlation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor $8 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt. John F. Ballinger ... ... 2 Thomas Pendry $\quad . .$. Charles L. Sadler... $\cdot \cdots$... 3 Ex-Sergt. J. Willi........ 7 George Walters ... ... 4 "W. WV. Bastin... ... ...Tenor Conducted by J. T. Dyre.

* First peal by W. Bastin, who was elected a member before starting. Rung with the bells lialf muffled, as a tribute of respect to the late Mrs. Phelps, a prominent parishioner.


## IRANMORE, SURREX'

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, June 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Tucenty Minutes, At the Church of St. Barnabas,
A PEAL OF GRAHDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHAMGES:
Holt's Original. Tenor zo cwt. 2 qr. I4 lbs., in E.
Alfred A. Dobinson ...Treble Henry Boxall... ... ... 5 Bervard Clark... ... ... 2 Charles Hazelden ... 6 William Smith ... ... ... 3 Alfred H. Polling ... 7 John H. White ... ... ... 4 *William J. Hills ... ... Tenor Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.
*First peal. Mr. Dobinson belongs to the local society. This is the first peal on these magnificent bells since the rehanging by Messrs. Mears \& Stainbank, the "go" being all that can be desired. The band take this opportunity of thanking the Hon. Henry Cubitt, C.B., Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey, for his kind hospitality after the peal.

SHEFFIELD, YOIRKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Sheffield District Society.)
On Sutuday, June 7, 1913, in Thre Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Ranmoor,

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

## Tenor 15 cwt.

Sam Thomas . Treb
... ... ...Tyeble *Maúrice Ward
arci... 2 Francis Ward...
*Joseph Osguthorpe... ... 3 | William S. Plant... ... 7

* James E. L. Cockey ... 4 Charles Haynes ... ... Tenor Composed and Conducted by Sam Thomas.
- First peal iu the method. Rung with half-muffled clappers as the ringers' tribute of respect to the memory of the late Rev. J. G. Williams, for orer 24 years Vicar of St. John's, Ranmoor, and an honorary member of the Yorkshire Association, who was interred at Fulwood, on the above date, the first portion of the service being conducted in Ranmoor Church. The ringers are all members of the local company.


## DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine?Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 20 cwt .
 Composed by the late Thomas Day, and Conducted by James Motts.
Rung to celebrate the 2Ist anniversary of the 16,608 Oxford Treble Bob Major rung upon these bells by eight members of the above Association, on Whit Monday, June 6th, 1892, in Ten Hours and Thirty-two Minutes, It was also rung to commemorate the 83rd birthday of Mr. Robert Brundle, father of the ringer of the 5 th. Alfred W. Grimes was spending a few days in Suffolk.

## HADLEIGH, SUFFOLK.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, June 7, 1973, in Three Honrs and Thirty-lio Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

| Stedman H. Symonds ...Treble | Thomas W. Garrard |
| :---: | :---: |
| William R. John Poulson 2 | Charles A. Catchiole |
| Arthur Symonds ... ... 3 | *Thomas Reed |
| Arthur Keeble ... ... ... 4 | John Kin |
| Composed by | I. King, and |
| Conducted by | H. Symonds. |

* First peal in the method. The ringers of the 4 th, 6 th, 7 th and 8th are of Monk's Eleigh, Ipswich, Hadleigh, and Polstead respectively, the others belong to Lavenham. This was C. A. Catchpole's 50th peal. The visitors wish to thank the Rev. Dean F. $E$. Carter for the use of the bells.


## HAWKHUIRST

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Suturilay, June 7, 1913, in Thre Howrs ami3Sixtecn Minutes, At the Church of St. Lawrence.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 23 cwt., in Eflat.
William Hewett ... ...Tveble Frank Bennett ... ... 5 William H. Lambert ... 2 Hubert J. Blackwell.... 6 Charles Tribe ... ... ... 3 Frederick J. Lambert... 7 Charles W. Player... ... 4. James E. Davis ... ...T Tenoir Composed by Henry Dains, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.

NETHERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, Junc 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHAMGES;
Tenor i2 $\ddagger$ cwt.

| Charles E. Perkins | Treble | George F. Swans |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William Fisher | .. 2 | Alfred Dayies.. | 6 |
| George Pigott | 3 | William Short |  |
| John Bass | 4 | Robert Matthews | T |

Composed by H. Dains, and Conducted by R. Mattheivs.
First peal in the method on the bells. Rung on the 85 th birthday of Mr. W, Lawrence, grandfather to the ringer of the 4 th.

WHITTLE-LE-WOODS, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Preston Branch.)
On Saturday, June 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 2 I cwt I qr. 23 lbs .

| *Victor Blackwell... | ... Tyeble | Robert Sanderson... | .. | 5 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| E. Roger Martin ... | $\ldots$ | 2 | Albert E. Woodhouse ... | 6 |  |
| †Arnold A. Blackwell... | 3 | †Reginald L. Ince ... | .. | 7 |  |
| William Sharples... | .. | 4 | Edward Armstrong | ... | Teno. | Composed by Edwin Timbrell, and Conducted by E. R. Martin.

* First peal and first attempt in the method. \& First peal of Treble. Bob


## SIX 8 FIVE BELL PEALS.

NORTHBOURNE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Augustine,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720 's of Kent Treble Bob and four of Plain Bob.
...Treble Ernest Verrier Harrison Smith... $. . .{ }^{\prime} . . .2^{2}$ Henry G. Casile ...... Sidney Walter ... ... ... 3 | Stanley G. White ...Tchor

Conducted by Stanley $G$. 'Nhite.
First peal on the bells.
MATHON, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, June 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAMCES;
Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double. Oxford Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt .
Charles Powell ... ...Treble $\mid$ Charles Layton ... ... 4
David Horne
Charles Weoble
William Ranford... ... 5 . George Jordan ... ...Teno:
Conducted by Charles Layton.

## COCKINGTON, TORQUAY

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Tuesday, June 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,
At the Church of SS. George and Mary,
a PEAL of crandsire doubles, 5040 Chamges;

## Tenor 9 cwt 3 gr.

| - Frederick J. Blight | $\ldots$ Treble | Alfred W. Bowers | .. | 4 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| ${ }^{*}$ Frederick J. Moore | $\ldots$ | 2 | Thomas H. Stevens | $\ldots$ | 5 |

*James Olding ... ... ... 3 *Frank Hector ... ... ... Teno Conducted by Alfred W. Bowers.

* First peal. First peal as conductor and first attempt. First peal by the local band.


## WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Tuesday, June 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being seven 720's.
George Bertram ... ...Tyeble
Albert J. L. Naunton *William H. P. Mellin .. 3 Jonn Sencer ... Conducted by J. Spencer.

- First peal and first attempt. First peal as conductor. First peal on the bells by a local company. Rung in honour of the birthday of His Majesty King George V.


## PETTESTREE, SUFFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wernesday, June 4, 1913, in Two Howrs and Thirty-eight Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being 720 each of Oxford Delight and Woodbine, two 720 's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and 720 of Plain Bob.
*Lester L. Gray ... ...Treble Charles E. Fisher ... + *George R. Finch... Henry Puttock ... ... 3 *William B. Reeve... ...T Tenor Conducted by Charles E. Fisher.

* First peal in five methods.

BEDFIELD, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Woinesday, June 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicolas,

## A PEAL OF minor, 5040 Changes;

Being 720 Oxford Treble Bob, three 720 's College Single, 720 Oxford Bob, and two 720's Plain Bob.
Charles Fred Ling
Whluay

| William | G. Crickmer | ... | 2 | Harry Hall | David Collins | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Conducted by W. G. Crickmer.

*First peal of Minor. + First peal inside.

## OLD WARDEN, BEDS

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Biggleswade Branch.)
On Thursday, June 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Tenor is cwt.
Being 720 each Woodbine, Kent, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford Bob, Reverse College Single, Single Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob. William J. Mayes ... ...Treble Charles A. Pratt... ... 4 Miss Evelyn Steel ... John William Barker ... 3 | Fred Blood ... ... ...Temor Conducted by F. Blood.
Firrst peal in seven methods as conductor

SELLACK, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Suturday, Junc 7, 1913, in Tüo Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

## At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;
. Being 42 Six-scores, with ten different callings. Tenor 7 cwt . Allen Givynne ... ... ...Treble Frank Voyce ... ... ... 3 Edivard Summers $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ *William Gardiner... ... 4 William Poston ... Tenor Conducted by William Poston.

* First peal. First peal on the bells.


## SEAL CHART, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Laurence,
a PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Reverse College Single, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob and College Single. Tenor io cwt.
James Waghorn... ... ...Treble Frederick Butchers ... 4 Andrew Marshall... Jim Beach ... ... ... ... 3 Edwin Lambert ... ... Tenor Conducted by Edifin Lambert.
The band tender their sincere thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and to Mr. H. H. Harding for making arrangements.

## COGENHOE, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 7. 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.
$\begin{array}{cccccccc}\text { *Matthias Hobbs } & \ldots & \ldots \text { Treble } & \text { George Lines } . . . & . . & \ldots & 4 \\ \text { James Hooghton } & \ldots & \ldots & 2 & \text { Willam Jacques } & \ldots & . . & \frac{1}{5}\end{array}$
 Conducted by Charles W. Clarke.
*Fiftieth peal.

## IGHTHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June T, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 Changes;

Being 720 each of St. Clement's, Oxford Bob, College Single and Canterbury Pleasure, and three $7^{200}$ 's of Plain Bob each called differently. Tenor $8 \frac{3}{\text { a }}$ cwt.
James Waghorn... . ... ...Tveble Jim Beach ... .
Edwin Lambert...
. .. Andrew Marshall... Frederick Butchers ... $\stackrel{+}{5}$ Conducted by Albert Relfe.

PERSHORE, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Southern Branch.)
On Saturday, June 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutcs. At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF doubles, 5040 Changes ;

Consisting of Plain Bob, Canterbury and Grandsire. Tenor 15 cwt . J. Godfrey ... ... ... ...Treble *F. Godrrey ... ... ... 4 | W. Need | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | J. Dolphin | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | 5 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| S. Annis | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | W. Charlwwood | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Tenor |  | Conducted by J. Dolphin.

* First peal. † First peal as conductor and first attempt. First peal on the bells and rung by local men. The ringer of the tenor who is 67 years of age, is totally blind. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar (the Rev. F. R. Lawson) for the use of the beils, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Godfrey for entertaining them to tea after the peal.


## ALDERSHOT, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

## On Saturday, June 7, 1913, in Two Honrs and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, <br> A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt .

BODENHAM, HEREFORDSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, June 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Ten different callings. Tenor $\mathrm{x}_{5} \mathrm{cwt}$.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wedncsday, June 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
At the Residence of A. H. Pulling,
A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Pitstow's Variation.
*Willoughby E. Madlden i-2 2 Madrice Smither ... ... 5-6 Alfred H. Pulling ... 3-4 4 +William Smith... Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling. Witness: Mrs. Pulling.

* First peal of Stedman on an inside pair. + First peal of Stedman on handbells.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.
On IVednesday, June 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Eight Minutes, In the Belfry of the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Stanley Edifard Andrews I-2 | Thomas Hatnes
Ralph Narborovgh ... 5-6
Conducted by Ralph Narborough.
Umpire: George Yate.
First double-handed peal by S. Andrews and R. Narborough, and first double-handed peal of Minor for the above Association.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

The monthly meetirg of the Rochdale branch was held at All Saints', Hamer, on Saturday. Members were present from Rochdale, Milnrow, Newhys, Glodwioh, Oldham, and the local company.-The business meeting was presided over by Mr. A. Clegg, of Glodwich. It was the first meeting sin:c the bells were overhauled by Messrs. Taylor and Co.. of Loughborough, and the ringers were highly satisfied with the way the bellit tun.

Thowbiiddac, Wilts.-On April 5th, at St James' Church, ${ }^{2}$ quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 41 mins, rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. Burbidge, of Melksliam: T. J. Hector 1, Jesse Francis 2, A. E. Archard 3, A. West 4, W. Burbidge 5, C. Raison 6, G. H. Harding (conductor) 7, A. K. Harrison 8.
ALITTSLEY, COVENTRY.-Warwickshire Guild.-On April 6th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire and Bob Doubles in 41 mins.: J. Taylor 1, H. Hastings 2, M. Marris 3, R. Green 4, H. Kettlo (conductor) 5, C. Aylett 6. First quarter-peal in two methods on the hells by a local band, and by all tho ringers.

## RINGING CONTEST.

nineteen teans at clifford.
The Glasbury (Herefordshire) competition, whioh was instituted last. year by Capt. A. Glen Kidston, of Gwernyfed Park, took place oni Empire Day, at the neutral tower of Clifford, where there is a lovelypeal of eight, as vouched for by the ringers of the 19 bands which attended to try their best to wrest the magnificent shield from last year's winners, Glasbury. The compctition corsisted of a six-scoreGrandsire Doubles, and the same number of Canterbury PleasureDoubles, the bands being drawn to ring in the following order : Builth, Bridgnorth (St. Mary's), Colwall, Coddington, Bosbury, Cradley, Bridgnorth (St. Leonard's), Foy, Bodenham, Ross, Glasbury, 'Talgarth, Brecon, Whitiourne, Leintwardine, Welshpool, Lugwardine, Llangattock, and Bredenbury. Mr. Harry Withers again acted as adjudicator, and when the Vicar (the Rev. T. W. Trumper) had safely "housed" him in a room at the Vicarage completely out of sight of the church, the draw took place, and, the ringers having finished their practice course, the competition proper started.

Lunch, which Capt. Kidston provided, was served in the Parish Room by Mr. T. J. Stokoe, of the Crown Hotel, Hay, after which Mr. J. Cartwright, of Foy, proposed a vote of thanks to Capt. Kidston for the very great kindness he had shown to them in providing the shield and prizes, and paying all expenses of the day, including return railway fares. It would do a great deal in the way of promoting the objects of the Guild. The compotition had brought together the pick of the ringers, and they had heard some very fine ringing. - Mr. J. Overton of Bridgnorth, in seconding, said nothing would create the kind of feeling that was wanted better than thise gatherings.-The vote of thankz was then heartily acoorited with "tiree times three," and the singing of "For he's a jolly good fellow."
Capt. Kidston was received with loud cheering on rising to reply. He said it was a genuine pleasure to him to be there that day, and he hoped to sea them even in larger numbers next year (applause). Another year he thought of adding a little handbell ringing to tho competition (applause). They were indebted to the Rev. Trumper for allowing them to come to that lovely spot to hold their competition (applause). The tower was a neutral one, and so all had been placed on an equal footing.

## MEDALS FOR WINNERS.

The Captain added that they did not ring for filthy lucre, but for the henour and glory; ind he had provided for the winnors a memento of the oc: on in the shape of madals suitable for attaching to their watch chans, which he hopech would remind them of the occasion to their dying day. (The medals were handed round and were greatly admired.) Continuing, the Captain said there were a large number of towers attacheil to the Guild, and he hoped to cee many more entering the competition another year. In conclusion, he asked them to show their goatitudo to the Rev. Trumper for allowing the use of his bells.-Hearty cheers having been given, the Rev. Trumper briefly replied, remarking that ho was himself an old bell ringer. He congratulated them on the fine ringing he had heard.
The competition was then reaumed, and when the last band had rung and the adjudicator " unearthed" with his book of faults, these wer' at once totalled up by Capt. Kidston, and proved that St. Leonard's, Bridgnorth, were first with 62 faults, and St. Mary's, Bridgnorth, second with 68 faults.

The first prize medals were silver with gold centres, and the second, bronze, and each bore the inscription: "Glasbury Bell Ringing Competition, Empire Day, 1913." The ringers thon partook of tea, and before leaving, Mr. C. A. Morgan took photographs of the winning bands and the whole group of ringers. The day's proccedings were most enjoyable. Subscquently, Capt. Kidston personally thanked the hon. secretary (Mr. J. P. Hyett) for his services, and congratulated him on the success of the day. - Mr. W. Short (instructor to the Hereford Guikd) also rendered valuable assistance during the day, being "on guard' to testify as to the bona-fides of the ringers.

## THE OXFORD GUILD.

A combined practice of the Sonning Branch was held on Saturday week af Wargrave, tho 18 members present representing Binfield, Sandhurst, Easthampstead, Hurst, Twyford, Henley, and tie local band, the methods practised were: Cambridge, Kent and Oxford TrebleBob, Plain Bob and Grandsire and Stedman Doubles. A course of Triples on handbells was rung.-Tea was provided by the Rer. B. S. Batty.

On Whitsun Saturlay, five mrembers of Stoke Poges and Fulmer belfries had a very enjoyable cycle run to Norwood Green, near Southan, where they were met by Mw. W. Finmett, the foreman of the ringers, and Mr. C. Edwards, of Heston, and with their assistance rang a 720 each of Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Bob, upon the pretty ring of six bells (tenor 7 cwt ), which were recently recast by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. The ringers were: A. Bateman, W. Henley, W. Walden, K. G. Hawkins, and G. II. Gutteridge, who wisls to return their best thanks to evcryono concerned

## ON PLEASURE BENT.

## YORKSHIRE RINGERS IN THE NORTH.

A number of Yorkshire ringers, with their friend and councillor, Mr. T. Maude, of Pudsey, viz.: Messis. G. B. Bolland (Tong), W. Idle (Dewsbury), J. Cotterell, F. Salmons, J. Ambler (Halifax), G. Naylor (Hightcliffe), H. Oddy (Thornhill), P. J. Johnson (Holbeck), F. W. Dixon (Guiseley) had an enjoyable outing at Whitsun. The dendezyous chosen this year was Darlington and Newcastle, and the party duly arrived at the first mentioned town about 11 a.m. on the Saturday. They were met by Mr. Bradley, of the local staff, and made for the historic and interesting Church of St. Cuthbert, where was found a musical peal of eight (tenor 18 cwt .), upon which touches wre rung. The fine Gothic work of the interior of the church was much admired. The party then proceeded to Hurworth to sample the finest peal (by repute) of six in the county. The visitors were met by Mr. Simpson, and after a delightful walk through this beautiful rurai village the bells at the church (tenor 18 cwt.) were raised, and set going to varrous methods, the tone and "go" of the bells adding mollier to the laurels of the famous Loughborough founders. Returning to Darlington after tea they rang at St. John's, where the veteran, Mr. J. Moncaster, met and weloomed them.
Newcastle was eubsequently safely reached about 8 p.m. Mr. C. I. lioutledge had most kindly made all arrangements in the northern city. and joined the party at their headquarters, the Ellis hotel, where a mosi pleasant evening was spent in handbell ringing, elc. On Sumday morning five of the party were at the fine Cathedral tower at 6 oclock. and found Mr. T. Groombridge, of London, who had jusi arrived after an all night journey. The splendid peal of ten was soon set going et Treble Ten, the tone and "go" of the bells being much admired. At 9.30 a.m. a start was made for All Saints', where Stodman Triples and Treble Bob were rung on the peal of eight (tenor 19 cwt.). After dinner the parks and Jesmond Dene were visited in company with London friends, and esoorted by Messrs. A. Hillier and J. Kcmp, of Newcast!e. The beautiful scenery in the district made the party reflect how greatly indebted the city is to the munificence of her townsmen who have placed such delightful woods and parks within such easy reach. Evening saw the party at Gateshead. where touches of Treble Bob were rung, Mr. Stewart having everything in cadiness
On Monday a treat was in store for the grand peal of eight at Cosforth (tenor 22 cwt.) had been placed at the visitors' disposal for a peal attempt. Hero Mr. Bird conducted them to the model ringing chamber, and a start was made for a peal of Treble Bob, but after one and a half hour's good ringing the peal was lost. In passing, the writer would like to comment on the excellent arrangements here for dealening the sonnd of the bells. With a tenor 22 cwt., and a most sonorous note, both inside and out the bells sound delightfulls balanced, and if other authorities with rings of bells would only take the same steps, we should hear no more complaints of the noise of bells.
Next it risit was paid to the Durham and Newcastle Association meeting at North Shields, where all visitors were most generously entertained to dinner by the Association. Then some made their way to Whitley Bay to take part in a peal, while others adjourned to Newcastle to hear the Council peal at the Cathedral, and some found their way to the County Hotel to spend a convivial evening with the various tingers thers assembled.
Tuesday saw some of the party at the Central Council meeting, while the more adventurons tried a river trip to North Shields. Thesday evening brought the break up of the party, after a most pleasant outing. The opportunity is here taken of thanking aIl the clergy and stoeplekeepers for the kindly manner in which they received their visitors, to whose lot it has rarely fallen to meet such an excellent band of genial companions as the Nefcastle ringers headed by Mr. C. L. Rontledge. No pains or trouble were spared by them to make the outing a success, and the especial thanks of the party is tendered to all their Newcastle friends for their efforts, which will long remain a pleasant memory with those who risited the city of the North.-

## CHORLEY MEN AT BLACKPOOL

A most interesting and enjoyable outing, in which the Chorley Parish church oand of change ringers and friends participated, took place on aturday wrek, when Blackpool, St. Annes-on-Sea and Lytham were isited.
On reaching Blackpool the party proceeded immediately by electric car to the pretty village of St. Annes-on-Sea, about six miles along the sea coast, where the Vicar of the Parish Church had placed his bells, at their disposal, and a few good touches were brought round. Next they moceeded to St. Cuthbert's, Lythan, where Mr. Millex, the veteran ringer, and two of his band were waiting to welcome the party, and here again, through the Rector's kindness, ringing was mdulged in. On returning to Blackpool, a company of twelve sat down to tea, and afterwards thanks were accorded to the Vicar of St. Anves. and the Rector of Lytham for the mise of the bells, and to Mr. T. Lofthouse, the secretary, for having made such splendid arrangements. The evening was spent at the various places of amusement.

ON THE THAMES.
For their first annual outing, the Frurst bell ringers visited Henley in-Thames: and in tho lovely grounds of Friar Park spent a most en
joyable afternoon. They then went on by steam launch to Raading, tea being served on board. The evening was spent in the biscuit town, and the half-day trip was thoroughly enjoyed.

BILSTON.
The St. Leenard's, Bilston, ringers, visited Pattingham on Saturday week, calling en route at "The Firs," Castlecroft, the residence of the hon. secretary's father. The party had a cordial reception, and after refreshments, rang some touches on handbells. At Pattingham they were met by Mr. Poynton, who conducted them to the belfry, and ai the fine peal of eight several touches were brought round, including 336 Grandsire Triples, by : J. Hammond 1, J. Harper 2, F. Roberts 3 A. Horsman 4, J. Bate 5, F. Colelough 6, J. A. Brown (conductor) 7 T. Justice 8.-After tea, touches were rung with the local band, and then a pleasant hour was spent with the Pattingham men and the handbells.-Thanks were accorded the Vicar, and the return journey was undertaken, the outing being a most pleasurable one.

## A VISIT TO LYDFORD

The ringers of Buckland Dinham, Frome, by the kind invitation of Mr. H. J. Helps, late of the Manor Farm, Buckland Dinham, paid a visit on Whit-Mondav to West Lydford, where the bells have recently been rehung, and a new one added. The party from Buckland Dinham included Messrs. F. Prescott, H. Beauchamp, R. Willis, W. Prescott, F. R. Prescott, H. Carrer and P. Bray. They were met at the station by Mr. H. J. Helps, who now resides at West Lydford, and driven to the church, where they were received by Mr. Welchman, the captain of the West Lydford tower, who, by-the-way, has for many years held the office of churchwarden. During the afternoon, when the weather had most considerately put on its best behaviour, several touches of Grancisire Doubles were rung, some of the West Lydford party also taking their share. The bells were fully tested, and the ringing concluded with a. fall in "Queen's." Before the return journey, the whole party was entertainedi by Mr. and Mrs. Helps to a substantial tea, which spoke unmistakably of Somerset hospitality, and was much appreciated by all the visitors.-Mr. F. Prescott, the visiting captain, expressed the thanks of the party for the kindness shown by Mr. and Mrs. Helps, and also for the courtesy of Mr. Welchman in the tower, at the same time expressing the hope that at a very early date the West Lydford party would be able to pay a visit to Buckland Dinham. Suitable replies by Messrs. Helps and Welohman brought a very enjoyable aftersoon and evening to a close.

## BELL RESTORATIONS.

The grand old ring of six with a tenor of 18 cwt ., in E, at Yalding, Kent, hare oeen quarter-turued and rehung with steel headstocks and all modern fitlings, by Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich. The old oak frame has been strengthened with new timber and massive iron braces and tie bars. Guides have also been fixed to steady the ropes in the rather long draft. On a recent evening several members of the Kent County Association met to try the bells, from Maidstone, Boxley, Linton, Peckham, Hadlow, Horsmonden, Marden, etc., and 720 Kent Treble Bob, 720 Plain Bob, 360 Grandsire Minor, and 120 of Stedman Doubles were rung, all the visitors expressed their entire satisfaction with the "go" of the bells, and it is to be hoped that the local ringers will now take up change ringing, a thing impossible with the bells before they were rehung

The same firm has also the following restorations in hand: Recast the ring of six and relang them in steel frames with all modern fittings, at Fenny Stratford, Bucks. Recast the ring of five, add a sixth and hang the peal in a new steel frame with all modern fittings, at Stutton, Suffolk. Recast the tenor and fourth and rehang the ring of five in steel frames with all modern fittings, at Cosgrove, Northants. Rehang the heary ring of six at Hoo St. Werburgh, Kent, with modern fittings. Rehang the ring of five in steel frames with modern fittings, and add a sixth at Melbourn, Cambridgeshire. Rehang the thren middle bells of the heary ring of five with modern fittings, at: Eastry, Kent, Mr. Bowell having done the tenor not long ago.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Bristol Branch took place on Saturday at West-bury-on-Trym, about 20 members attending. The bells are a peal of six, and during the afternoon Cambridge Minor was rung on them, while a course of Grandsire Oaters was rung on Mr. Condick's handbells. Service was afterwards held in the church, and tea followed at Mr. Clarke's. At the subsequent meeting, the curate-in-charge (the Rev. A. J. Bartlett) was voted to the chair, and it was proposed to hold the next meeting at St. George's; or, if not convenient there, at Abbots Leigh on July 12th. Various methods were rung on the tower bells in the evening, and Grandsire Caters and Stedman Caters were rung on the splendid peal of handbells belonging to Mr. C. H. Edwards, who has made the generous ofter to present them to his company when they get the tower bells made into a peal of eight.

## F. SEAGER'S FIFTY PEALS.

Minor: (includling peals in 10, 14 and 21 methods), 17: Treble Bols Minor (including one in 14 methods), 8: Surprise Minor (including peals in 10 and 14 methods), 11: Oxford Treble Bob Major, 2; Kent, 1: Double Norwich, 3; Superlative Surprise, 1; Norfolk, 3; London. 3 ; Fient Treble Bob Royal, 1: total, 50.

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Cambridge Surprise Maximus by the College Youths.
Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on May 11th, 1912.
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THE CUMBERLANDS $\%$ THEIR BADGE.


The change of name came about the year 1746 . In July, 1745, Charles Stuart, grandson of James II, landed in Scotland with the object of raising a rebellion against George II, driving him from the throne and restoring the House of Stuart. Charles at first met with unbroken success, and got as far south as Derby, whence he might have advanced on London. Instead, however, he retired to Scotland, where he again defeated the king's army at Falkirk. William Augustus, Duke of Cumberland, second son of George II, and the most skilful General the country possessed, was then sent against Charles, and on April 15th, 1746, so decisively defeated him at the Battle of Culloden that the rebellion was completely crushed. The Duke was hailed as a National Deliverer, and so general and enthusiastic was the popular feeling in his favour that it became the rage to adopt the name " Cumberland " on every possible occasion, and the London Scholars, following the fashion, called themselves the Cumberland Youths.

When the Duke entered London in July, 1746, on his return from Scotland, by the old North Road, through Kingsland and Shoreditch, the Society expressed their loyalty and joy by ringing at Shoreditch Church, and, in commemoration, the Duke had the medal, illustrated on this page, struck and presented to the Society. The medallion is about $2 \frac{1}{2}$ inches in diameter, with a Battersea enamel portrait of the Duke, surrounded by a band of dark green enamel inscribed "Pro-patria-et-anico," the whole being enclosed by a chased floral border. The exact date and circumstances of the presentation of the medal are not known, and the silver plate which is appended to the decoration, and which bears the date $177_{2}$, is probably later than the medal itself. This oval badge is also of silver, bearing in relief on a hatched ground a large gilt bell. On the field is the inscription :-

Wm. Manley, Esqr., of Rochester, Kent,
Master of the Society of Cumberland Youths, 1772. Round a marginal belt is engraved
The ringing of two peals by the Royal Cumberland Youths on the occasion of the marriage of the German Kaiser's daughter to Prince Ernst August of Cumberland, and the announcement that the bridegroom was a descendant of the founder of the Royal Cumberland Youths, probably aroused a good deal of interest and curiosity among those not acquainted with the facts. The story of the connection between the Royal family of the Cumberlands and the ancient ringing society bearing the same name is a matter of history, but as some thousands of our readers may be unaware of the association, the occasion is not inopportune for recalling the circumstances.

The Royal Cumberlands are believed to have grown out of the London Scholars, a society which was established in the City of London to promote the art and science of rhange ringing at some time prior to the year 1 yon. The precise date of its origin is not known, but there seems to be no doubt that it was established long before the end of the seventeenth century. Of its performances some few records are to be found. The first known peal by the London Scholars was a 5040 of Grandsire Caters rung on January 15 th, 1716 or 17 I7, at St. Bride's Church, Fleet Street, and this is supposed to be the first peal of Caters ever rung. The Society also rang the opening peal on the ring of twelve bells at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on March ${ }^{1} 4 \mathrm{th},{ }^{17} 7^{27}-6000$ Grandsire Cinques-and on November 2 tth, 1729 , rang 6204 Grandsire Cinques at St. Nichacl's, Cornhill.

Health and Strength-Concurs to Support-the Noble Art."

The medallion and badge, which are worn suspended by a red ribbon, are among the most cherished possessions of the Society, and are still worn by the Master on all special occasions.

The Royal Cumberland Youths, in the course of their long history, have many famous records to their credit, and many celebrated men have adorned their ranks. To this day the Society holds the record for the longest length of Treble Bob Royal - a peal of 12,000 in the Oxford variation, rung at St. Leonard's Shoreditch, in 9 hrs. 5 mins. on March $27^{\text {th }}, 1784$. To enumerate their many noteworthy performances would require more space than is at disposal in this number, but it is worth while mentioning, in these days when handbell peal ringing has reached such an adranced stage, that to the Royal Cumberlands belongs the honour of having rung the first peal on handbells retained in hand both at home and abroad. Of these two, the former was achieved in 1828, and was conducted by the well-known E. Giles, and the latter in the year 1855 in Paris, where, some members of the Society being on tour through the Continent, rang the first peal of the kind ever accomplished beyond the shores of Great Britain. This was conducted by the celebrated John Cox. The mention of this famous ringer and composer recalls the fact that
many giants of their day in the Exercise have been associated with the Society, and one may specially mention among the ancient worthies George Gross and his two sons, William Shipway, and Messrs. Jones, Reeves and Blackmore, the authors of the "Clavis."

In this article we have endeavoured to touch really upon one point only, namely, how the Cumberlands got their name. With that other famous London society, the College Youths, their history in the past was the history of the progress of the Exercise, and no one can tell what we of the present day owe to the efforts of the men who kept these societies alive and maintained, and improved the standard of ringing.

## ODD CHANGES.

At the conclusion of the peal at Cardiff, on Thursday week, Mr. W. G. Miller was presented with a dressing case by his fellow ringers, as a parting gift, and with their best wishes for his future success and prosperity. Mr. Miller sailed on Wednesday for the West Coast of Africa.

Another blind ringer! At Pershore, on Saturday, Mr. W. Charlwood rang the tenor to his first peal. He is 67 years of age and totally blind. We congratulate him upon his performance.

Mr. James C. Comb, to whose death we briefly referred last week, was one of the ringers, who did not care for long tonches. "Don't make it more than 500," he often used to say; but he rang one peal at St. Giles-in-the-Fields. He was a capital Grandsire ringer, and for upwards of 40 years he was one of those who met regularly at St. Clement Danes. He was at the time of his death the oldest member of the College Youths. He was also a member of the St. James', Bethnal Green and Hackney societies, and quiet and amiable in disposition, he was greaily respected at Highgate, Hampstead, Gospel Oak, etc. He passed away at an advanced age, from senile decay, and was laid to rest in the beautiful cemetery at New Southgate. A course of Grandsire Triples was rung over the grave by J. Barry, G. J. Smith, C. F. Winney and E. A. Young.

## YORK MINSTER BELLS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-As several statements have appeared as to the weight of the tenor bell of York Minster, I would ask you kindly to publish this to prevent wilful inaccuracy being attributed to the founders.
The whoie of the twelve bells were cast by Mears at this foundry. In 1844 eleven bells were cast to agree with the old tenor which had been saved from the fire. Five years later the old tenor was recast, the present bell being invoiced, in May, 1849, at 50 cwt. exactly.

By an oversight the weight of the first bell has never been corrected in reprints of our catalogue. consequently the bell has bcen repuied to weigh 53 cwt. 3 qrs. 7 lbs., which was the weight of the original tenor.
The many ringers who have succeeded in ringing peals on the Southwark Cathedral bells, which we have lately restored, will be interested to learn that the recast Southwark tenor, 50 cut . 0 qrs. 21 lbs ., is slightly heavier than that of York.-I remain, dear sir, yours fajth-
fully. ARTHUR HUGHES (Mears and Stainbank).

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

The monthly meeting of the above society was held at Tong on Saturday week, and was well attended by members from Pudsey, Mirfield, Guiseley, Burley, Bolton, Bramley, Halifax, Holbeck, Headingley and St. Michael's, together with the local company. The business meeting was held at the Greylhound Inn, the President occupying the chair.-On the motion of Mr. G. A. Jowet, seconded by Mr. W. Walland, the best thanks of the members was given to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, and to the local company for their kind arrangements.-Mr. G. Bolland responded.
The President then gave a report of the Central Council meeting, Which raised some interesting discussions, and every one present got a better insight into the Council's hard and tedious task to meet all
sides.-A vote of thanks to the President for his report sides.-A vote of thanks to the President for his report was carried, on the proposition of Mr. G. Whiteaker, seconded by Mr. J. B. Jack-son.-The tower was again visited, when some good practice in Minor

## WARWICKSHIRES ON THE WARPATH.

 WHERE CHANGE RINGING IS UNKNOWN.lerhaps there is nothing more interesting than piloting a party of change ringers through a district in which change ringing is absolutely unknown, especially so when the party includes two capable lady ringers. Shoh was the writer's pleasant office on Saturday week, when a little tour of about thirty miles was successfully negotiated by a few members of the Warwickshire Guild. The programme was due to commence at Whitnash, near Leamington, at 12.0 noon, but, without going into details and apologies, the motor-cycle contingent did not arrive until 12.36 . Here we found a pretty peal of six, very easy to Handle, and a touch or two of Grandsire Doubles were brought round. The Rector informed us that he used to do a little ringing, but could not be persuaded to take a rope with us. Our next objective was Chadshunt, nine miles south, and far removed from the hurry and bustle of life. The church stands a mile distant from the village of Gaydon, and alone in its ancient glory. Here we picked up another member, who told us that Chadshunt was at nne time a larger village than Gaydon, but appears to have been razed to the ground about the time of the battle of Edge Hill-in fact, it was part of the battle. ground itself. How the church escaped like demolition is a problem not easy to solve. Perinaps it served too useful a purpose as a stable. We found a ring of six of some quality in very fair going order, and, with the addition to our band, some Bob Minor and Grandsire Donbles was accomplished. Hailstorms on the way had delayed our arrival hero considerably, and so a move was made as soon as possible on to Kineton, where lunch was very welcome. We could not ring in this quaint old town owing to bells and tower being out of order: and, after lunch, our two lady members had to make all speed back to Warwick. The rest of us wended our way four miles to the base of the Edge Hill, where nestles the old-workl village of Tysoe. This was the premier attraction of the outing, for here Messrs. Taylor had been at work last year, and both bells and tower had undergone thorough restoration. Mr. Shepherd, of Swindon and Birmingham fame, was waitiug for us patiently, and the whole village appeared to have assembled to look at these strange men who could ring changes without talking-for we started with a plain course of Kent Minor. The beils are a finc-tone ring of six, and go magnificently, and the locals outside were heard to whisper that we " had rung bells before.' Some Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob and Kent were brought round--. A local man standing in for some part of the time on the tenor. Another refused to do so, saying, "ho did not want to be mesmerised!" -Tea was enjoyed at the Vicar's kind invitation, and it course of Grandsire Triples was given on the handbells. Oxhill was our next port of call-a light ring of five, which went well to Grandsire and Stedman Donbles, and a few miles farther on another ring of five awaited us at Butler's Marston, with a tenor about 15 cwt. These proved very noisy indeed in the tower, but are nice bells, and Grandsire and Stedman Doubles sounded well upou them. This was the finale to a round which, it is honed, may do something towards exciting an interest in south-west Warwickshire in change ringing proved most enjoyable to all concerned, and our best tlianks are due to the respective incumbents for their permission to ring, and also to the local ringers at every place who had everything in readincss for us. In all the towers visited, except Whitnash, there had never been amy change ringing done before, and a rather unique experience of the aftarnoon was that we never climbed a stair to ring; in every ease the ropes came down to the ground floor.

## THE MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION

A meeting of the North and Fast district was held on Saturday week at St. Mathew's, Upper Clapton, and was attended by a fair number of ringers, not, quite up to the average. A short but very interesting address was given by the Vicar (the Rev. O., R. Dawson) and the ringers' hymn, "Unchanging God, who livest," was sung. Tea wos served in the Parish Hall, under the cupervision of Mr. II. J. Sudell. captain of the local band, and some lady friends.
At the meeting following, five new members were elected. The Hon. Secretary (Mr. C. T. Coles) moved a vote of thanks to the Vicar
for the use of the bells, for his for the use of the bells, for his very instructire address, and for 60 kindly presiding at tea, and also to the Rev. IV. E. Andrews (Homerton) for placing his bells at the disposal of the members. The Rev. $O$. $R$. Dawson replied, welcoming the members once again to Clapton. He hoped that they would soon come in much greater numbers to hold their annual meefing, as they did just over a year ago.-A vote of thanks was also massed to the ladjes who had so kindly waited at toa, and to Mr. Sudell and the local ringers for their exceedingly hearty welcome. Much use was made of the bells during lhe afternoon and evening, touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major. Kent, Cambridge Surprise being rung. Mr. J. Thomas raus two bells to a touch of Stedman Triples, on which feat he was heartily congratulated. A risit was paid to St. Paul's, Homerton, and touches of Grandsire Doubles. Bob Minor, Oxford Treble Bob, and a ccurse of Cambridge Surprise Minor, were rung.-A hearty welcome was given to Ihe Association by Mr. Dvment, and other members of tho local band, some of them joining in the ringing.

Fhomb.-At the Parish Church, mently, a quarter-meal of Grandire Triples, ir 48 mins.: S. J. Heclor 1. H. J. Scammel 2. IV. F. Bishop 3. Jesse Francis 4, A. K. Marrison 5, A. M. G. Danisl 6, G. II. Harding (conductor) 7, S. Francis 8.


York Minster.
MESSRS. JOHN WARNER \& SONS, Ltd., of the Spitalfields Foundry, London, have been entrusted with the following rings of 12 bells:

YORK MINSTER (Tenor $50 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.)
ST. LEONARD'S CHURCH, SHOREDITCH (Tenor 28年 cwt.) CHELMSFORD PRO CATHEDRAL (Tenor 32 cwt .)

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING.

## SPECIALLY REPORTED FOR "THE RINGING WORLD.

## THE REPRESENTATION OF THE LADIES' GUILD

The question of the representation of the Ladies' Guild on the Central Council was before the Newcastle meeting, the following motion being on the agenda: "That the Ladies' Guild of Change Ringers shaild be represented on the Council, and if thought well, to move a resolution on the subject."

The President said the Rev. G. F. Coleridge had undertaken to introduce the matter, but he thought he (the President) ought to make an explanation. A year ago, Miss Parker, the sectetary of the Ladies' Guild, spoke to him about it, and asked him whether he did not think they ought to have representation. He was then in doubt whether they would be able to muster a sufficient number-serenty-five-to claim representation, and it was suggested that the Comei] might possibly see their way to reducing the qualifying number in the instance of the Ladies' Guild. That suggestion had been withdrawn by Miss Parker, as she believed that in another pear they would number 75 members or thereabouts. She had also written since the agenda came out to say that in her opinion, and that of her adrisers, it would be desirable to postpone the whole question for a year. He wrote back, after conswlting Mr. Davies, to say that their opinion was, that having been put on the agenda, and in view of the fact that there were a large number of ringers throughout the country that wanted the question discussed, it would be better to let the subject be discussed. The position of the Ladies' Guild was this. They were not, definitely at the moment asking for representation on the Council. If they did so ask in another year, it would not be accompanied by any request that the rules of the Council, so far as the qualifying number was concerned, should be altered for them. The direction that the discussion ought to take that day, if he might say so, was that of rentilating the matter. He did not think it was desirable that any resolution should be formulated. It was a matter upon which a large number of ringers felt very strongly one way or the other, and he doubted whether the representatives there dare take on themselves to express a rery definite opinion as to what the associations they represented thought about it. They might, therefore, open up the question, and go back to their aseociations and find out their feeling, so that next year they could go to the Council with definite riems.

## SHOULD LADIES BE ADMITTED?

The Rev. G. F. Coleridge said he had often noticed at those mectings that a subject which was very abstruse was followed by one which was very much lighter and more interesting to many people. It was so that day. A subject of Superlative complexity, was followed by a matter of superlative grace and beauty (hear, hear). After a facetious reference to the moving times and the aggressive tactics of certain ladies desiring the franchise, the speaker went on to say that many of them would have soon to decide whether women should be represented on the councils of the church, and the question before them that day was whether the ladies should be, not only able to wote for representatives upon the Council, but be represented by one of their own sex. He was not going into the question whether the men cared for the presence of ladies in the belfry-a great deal might be said about it on both sides-the simple question before them was whether the ladies should be represented on that Council. The only answer he could find in his own mind was "Yes." There was nothing to prevent any guild or association sending a lady representative to that meeting, and so, when the Ladies' Guild came up to the mumber of 75 . they would be perfactly right. he took $i t$, in sending their representative. One or two questions, however, cropped up, For instance, they were the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers. But mas it a fact that everyone in the Ladies' Guild was a church bell minger. One or two, he knew, were only handbell ringers. He world not move any resslution on the subject, although if it were thought well after the discussicn he would do so.
The Rer C. F. IIattherss said he had two lady ringers in his tower, and Miss Alice White, the president of the Ladies' Guild, was a ringer in his own diocese. Ho could only say frem his experience, that he thought the time had come when lady ringers would have to receive their proper recognition and place in that Council. In many places they were setting a most splendid example to the men, and his own experience was that they were the greatest possible help in the tower (hear, hear). The question of the representation of ladies in other church matters had come up, hs Mr. Coleridge had said, and the church had discovered what an enormous amount of good they conld do. It was only recently they had been welcomed in the belfries, and the time might come when they would serve on some of the important councils of the Church. He hoped that Council would next year welcome a representative from the Ladies' Guild.

## LADIES' REPRESENTATION OPPOSED

Mr. G. P. Burton said the felt he must oppose the introduction of ladies to that Council for every reason. The argument that ladies were not represented was quite fallacious, for the ladies had voted already as regards representation on that Council, because the mem bers of the Ladics Guild were also members of the ordinary associations. What more did they want? He also opposed it on the ground that it was best for the ladies if they could be kept out of the
belfries altogether ("No, no"). He was glad to say, as regards his own belfry, they had been saved from such an awkward predicament as having ladies there. They were threatened with it, but they had got over the difficulty. It was much too soon after the formation of the Ladies' Guild to consider the question of representation. He did not see what good it wae going to do. They were said to have rung a peal
The President: I don't think that ia quite fair.
Mr. Burton said they could not ring the peal without a man in the beltry

The President: You cannot say that.
Mr. Burton said the fact of that peal seemed to have made a few hot-headed people lose their heads. Then thers was the territorial point. The Council had already had to consider whether it was right to have representatives there at all who did not stand for torr tnrial divisions. They knew they must have representatives from the College Youths on the Council, because they looked upon the position of that society's representatives as a historical position, but if they could choose they would not have societies, who had no territoria position, there at all. Apply that to the Ladies' Guild and where were they? They were what would be called plural voters. They would vote with their associations, and then send their own repreentative there in an unduly privileged position.
Mr. P. J. Johnson thought Mr. Burton was wide of the mark in some respects. He spoke of the delegates of the College Youths com ing there out of rsspect for the society as a historical foundation. To (the speaker) believed the rules of the Council laid down the fact that any society that had a membership of 75 could claim a representative on the Council (hear, hear). If the ladies liked to form an association, and had sufficient intelligence to ring peals, he thought they had sufficiont intelligence to be represented on that Council He had great pleasure in supporting Mr. Coleridge's remarks.
The Rev. H. J. Elsee said he should be quite willing to agree to ladies being represented on the Council, but with regard to the wider question, he was rory much in sympathy with Mr. Burton. It might be only prejudice, but he felt that ringing was not a suitable exercise for ladies. He was not sufficiently up in medical knowledge to know, but he doubted if bell ringing was as suitable for ladies as for men, from that point of view. He was very much more doubtful as to the advisability of having mixed bands for ladies and men in the same tower. In other eports they did not find them mixing. Voices: Golf, Hockey, 'Tennis.
The Rer. H. J. Elsee said wherever they found them mixing in games they would fincl separate rooms, which would not be casily pos sible in a tower. He thought if ladies wanted to be ringers they had much better have bands entirely of ladies

OXFORD GUILD'S ADEBT TO LADIES
The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn remarked that he would like to say how very much the Oxford Guild owed to the work of the ladies through out the dixese. In many a benighted country place lie could tel them of the excellent work that had been done in promoting the cause of the Guild, in providing instruction, and in organising generally
The President said he thought there were very few representatives who would be ready to rote on the question without first feeling more accurately the pulse of their associations. To wote for the representation of the Ladies' Guild on that Council did not necessarily imply that they were in favour of mixed bands of ladies and men in the tower. There was also the very nice point of whether a Guilf which might be composed of a large number of handbell ringers conld very fairly be represented on a body of church bell ringers. This would want thinking out. Ho did not suppose that they as a Council could have very much to say as to how far this ladies' movement would go, but if, as it appeured likely, it was to go forward it was ques tionable whether it would be wise to exclude them from their Conncil if there was a reasonable prospect of getting them there on iaill logical terms. The whole matter seemed to him to be extremely com plicated. IIe had been asked several times for his opinion, and he had declincd to give it for the reason that the question had not bcen sufficiently rentilated. The members might try before next year to assure themselves of the feeling of their associations, and in an and they would be in a position to pass some resolution.

The subject was then allowed to drop.
THE REGULATIONS FOR RECORD PEALS
Mr . Georgo Bolland moved: "To call renewed attention to the and Decisions' to the effect that mot less than seven clays' notice shall be given in the columns of the ringing papers, stating the tower, day and hour at which any attempt is to be made to surpass any previous peal." He said people had been ringing record peals and not giving due notica. On Jaster Monday, the Kent Association rang four peals in one day, and those peals made 20,000 odd changes. To his mind, he thought they ought to have given seven days' notice of the attempt. The Yorkithire Association held the record on six bells, and he should not likn it taken from them without due consideration. Te moved this resolution, therefore, in order to jog the memory of those contemplating long peals.
The Rev. II. Law James prointed out that the regulations dird not apply to what was dono by the Kent Association, because that was four separato peals.

Mr. Bolland: It is the only time there has been four peals rung in ono day.
The Rev. II. Law James said the Council'g regulations dealt with ppals of record length at one standing.
The President said Mr. Bolland's point fell to the ground on that The Punt. I'hese four peals were not making a record length.
arcount. These four peais were not making a record length.
There was no seconder for the resolution, which, therefore, fell to the ground.

THE NEXT ILACE OF MEETING.
The President said in accordance with their regular scheme, the South of Ergland was the proper locality for their meeting in 1914. three places had been suggested: Southampton, Portsmouth and Three places The Standing Committee had come to the conclusion that Winchester would be the best of the three
Mr. Griffin moved, and Mr. Narborough seconded Winchester
The Rev. F. Ll. Edwards suggested Portamouth as providing better facilitics for ringing.
The President pointed out that ringing was not the first object.
The Rev. C. E. Matthews said if the Council decided on Winchester he would do everything in his power to help the hon. secretary in regard to the meeting and finding accommodation for the visitors.
Winchester was then carried unanimously.

## THANKS.

The Hon. Secretary, amicl applause. moved a hearly vote of thanks to Mr. Woulledge, as President of Durham and Newcastle Association, and the other members of the Association who had so kindly helped and to have an exceedingly pleasant and agreeable time. Speaking for himself, he owed Mr. Routledge a deep debt of gratitude for the pains he had taken in regard to that meeting. He had taken a great burden off his (the hon. secretary's) shoulders, and had carried through the whole business of making the arrangements from first to last. The members, he was sure, fully appreciated the trouble he had taken to ensure their enjoyment (applause). - The President seconded, and the motion was carried by acclamation.-Mr. Routledge, in replying, said the Durham and Newcastle Association felt highly honoured at getting the Council to go so far north. It was a herculean task to get to Newcastle from the south, and they felt flattered that they had got such a fine collection of men to come there and samplo their good city (applause).
In proposing a vote of thanks to the President, the Rev. G. F. Coleridge said so large a gathering in that northern town showed what interest there was in the work of the Council. He was sure that year by year the strength of the Council was increasing, and gradually becoming, what from the first they hoped, by careful nursing it would become, the same authoritative body in regard to ringing that the Marylebone club was in regard to cricket (hear, hear).

The motion having been carried, the President briefly replied, and the meeting terminated at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., having lasted from 11 a.m., with an interval of an hour and a half for lunch.

## THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY

The June meeting of this Society was held at Norton on Saturday, and proved very successful, about 25 ringers being present from Beigh ton, Bolsterstone. Dore, Dronfield, Eckington, Killamarsh, Leeds. Ranmoor, Rotherham, Sheffield, and Worksop. The methods rung during the day included Superlative Surprise, Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob, and Plain Bob Major, Grandsire and. Stedman Triples, and Oxford and Violet Treble Bob Minor, and some very good striking was heard.- A vote of thanks to the Vicar and to the local company closed the proceedings.

## SALISBURY GUILD

## SUCOESSFUL MEFTING AT ENFORD

A monthly meeting of the Devizes branch was held at Enford on Saturday last, and the afternoon being very fine and pleasant, a goodly number of ringers attended from Fittleton, Beechingstoke. Enford, Potterne, Devizes St. John, Great Cheverell, Southbroom, Market Lavington, Uparon. Marlborough St. Mary, Christchurch, Swindon, and Chirton. The bells were kept going, with short intervals, during the afternoon and evening, and the bells of Upavon and Fittleton were also in use, many of the ringers availing themselves of the opportunity of visiting these towers in addition to that at Enford. Tea was very kindly provided in the Parish Room at Enford by the Yicar and Miss Branfoot, when 50 ringers, with the Enford Church choir, and sereral visitors, sat down to an excellent spread, which was thoroughly enjoyed-The Rev. W. H. Branfoot, the genial Vicar of of Beechingstoke, and Master of the Rev. FI. E. Tilney-Bassett, Rector of Beechingstoke, and Master of the Guild; the Rev. J. A. Stnrton, Dale, Rector of Fittleton; and Mr. H. Brownlee West hon brancl secretary. Evensong was afterwards said by the Vicar in the church, the nare of which was fairly well filled. The short service was most impressive. the music and the singing of the choir being like tlye "go" of the bells-most excellent. Everyone enjoyed that simple service very much, and after it was concluded, the tower was re-visited and the bells pealed forth again their sweet melocly.
Branery hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar and Miss comed this, the first visit of the Guild. to Enford; a visit so thor oughly enjoyed by all who participated in it.

## A DOUBLE MEETING.

## KENT ASSOCTATTON AND ROMNEY MARSII GUILD

 AT WOODCFURCHAn interim meeting of the Ashford Division of the Kent Association, in conjunction with the Romney Marsh and District Guild, was held at, Woodchurch on Saturday week. The Guild assembles annually at this tower, but on former occasions, the mecting has been convened in the depth of winter. The present experience, however, proved that summer was a far more pleasant time of the year for the visit. The members were pleased to notice that the belfry has undergone complete renovation, and presents a far more comfortable appearance. Change ringing has also been taken up, and the young band has made a capital start, under the tuition of Mr. C. Tribe. All these alterations are due to the energies of the Rector (the Rev. S. H. Rendall/, who intimated to the Guild. members over twelve months ago, his intention of endeavouving to revive method ringing in the parish. Now that a start has been made, it is hoped that change ringing will continue to progress. The new band ring Bob Doubles proficiently, aud two of their members participated in several courses of Bob Minor on inside bells. The other ringing consisted of many 120's of Grandsire and Bob Doubles, and a 720 of Bob Minor. The towers repre sented, in addition to the local one, were: Rye, Tenterden, Stone-inOxney, liolvenden and Biddenden.

The Rector presided at the business meeting, and it was decided that the combined meeting of the Sussex and Kent Associations at Rye on the 21st inst. world suffice for the June meeting of the Guild.
The Rector and the Woodchurch band were invited to attend this gathering, and, in reply, the reverend gentleman said he would do all he could to get mis ringers to be present. He would like to be there himself, and offered to drive some of his own ringers in his conveyance
Mi. Percy Milion, of Woodchurch, was elected a member of the Guild, and it was decided to attempt a peal of Grandsire Triples at Rolvenden on the 14 th inst. The Guild were very unlucky with thei last monthly peal at Appledore. The place for rounds to come up was reached, but a shift course had taken place during the last ten minutes
The Roctor extended to the risitors a very warm welcome to Wood church. He thought it was good for them to meet together, for by so doing, it produced a harmony of bells and hearts. He owed a great debt of gratitusie to Mr. Tribe for all his labours in assisting the Woodchurch ringers, and he heartily thanked him. When they came again. he would be pleased for the party to visit the rectory and partake of tea, prior to the ringing. Continuing, he referred to the great progress made in the status of the ringer during the past twenty year's. Ringers had become Church workers, and were reverent and of good behariour. They were grateful that such an improvement had taken place.
A hearty vote of thanks to the Rector concluded the business.
Another combined meeting is to be held by the Kent Association on June 21st, when members of Ashford District will meet tho Sussex Eastern Division at Rye. It is hoped there will be a large attendance, in order that the meeting may be a great success.

## A RINGER'S WEDDING.

A pretty wedding took place on Saturday at the historic Church of St. Andrew's, Clewer, near Windsor, when Miss F. Bailey, of Clewer was married to Mr. Frederick Spring, of Holly Buch Hill, Stoke Poges The bridegroom has been a much respected member of the Stoke Poges beltry for several years, and also a member of the choir since quite a small boy. By the courtesy of the Rector and ringers of St. Andrew's, six Oxford Guild members visited the church to ring as the wedding party left. A 360 Bob Minor was rung by: G. H. Gutteridge 1, A. Bateman 2, D. F. Gibbons 3, J. J. Parker 4, W. Henley (conductor) 5, J. L. Bateman 6; and a 720 of Oxford Bob, conducted by G. Gutteridge The bells are a nice musical ring of six by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and the ringers, who represented Farnham Royal, Fulmer, Stoke Poges and the Whitechapel Foundry, united in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spring erery happiness.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

A meeting of the Hunts District of the above was held at Somershan 01 Saturday week. The proceedings commenced with a tea at the Black Bull Inn, at 4 p.m. followed by a meeting at which, in the temporary abscace of the Vicar, the Rev. W. H. Hamilton took the chair. Among otters present were: The Rev. H. B. Woolley (district secretary), and Messrs. W. J. Goss (Ramsey), T. Creasey, T. Metcalf (Somersham). F. Rowlinson. A. J. Abrams, D. Grashley (Chatteris), E. '「ownhead (Sutton), etc.-Mr. G. D. Coleman was elected to serve on the committee with Mr. W. J. Goss, and several new members were arlmitted.-It, was decided to hold the next meoting (with the consent of tho authorities) at Huntingdon some time in October.
Afterwards an adjournment wus made to the tower, where, despite the bad "go" of the bells, 360 Bob Minor and touches of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob were suceessfully brought round, besides a touch of Bob Major on handbells. The tower was visited during the eveningby the Rev A. H. Walker (Vicar), who had just returned from a holiday, and the Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake, who took part in the ringing.

The ringets wish to thank the Vicar and churchwardens for the useof the bells.

## NOTICES.

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POSTPONEMENT.-The unveiling of the peal board at Cripplegate, commemorating the "John" peal of Cinques, is unavoidably postponed to Saturday, June 28th.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on June 24th; Southwark Cathedral on June 17 th ; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on June 1gth; St. Paul's Cathedral, on June 24th; St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus at $7.3 \circ$; the others at 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at Newchurch, near Warrington, on Saturday, June 14th. Bells available from 2. Meeting at 6 o'clock.-G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A district meeting will be held at Long Stanton on Saturday, June 14th. Short service at 5 o'clock. Tea in school room at 5.30 . All ringing friends will be welcome.--P. Webb, Ickleton, Saffron Walden, District Secretary.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Liverpool Branch.-A meeting will be held at Childwall on Saturday, June I4th. Bells ready at 4.30.-Walter Hughes.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Northern Branch. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bromsgrove on Saturday, June I4th. The bells ( I ) will be available at 3 p.m. Service in the church at 4.45 p.m. Tea, 8 d. each, will be provided in the schools at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting to follow. All ringers and friends cordially invited-E. J. Dowler, Branch Secretary, 9, Edward Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).-Southern District. -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, June 2 1st, at Christ Church, Blackfriars. Tower open from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting at 8.15 . All ringers and friends invited.-F. A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Blackburn Branch.-A branch meeting will be held at Clitheroe on Saturday, June 2 ist, 19I3. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} .-\mathrm{J}$. Watson, Branch Secretary.
SUSSEX AND KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS.A combined meeting of the Eastern Division of the former and the Ashford District of the latter will be held at Rye on Saturday, June 2ist. Bells available (Rye 6 and Iden 6) from 2 till 9 . Special service at St. Mary's, Rye, at 50 'clock. Preacher, the Vicar (Rev. A. P. Howes, M.A.), who has also kindly invited all the members attending to the Monastry immediately after the service as his guests to tea. A short business meeting will follow. The usual travelling allowances will be made to the Sussex members attending on application to their secretary as below. It is particularly requested that all members intending to be present will advise their secretaries on or before Tuesday, June 17 th, as, a large attendance being anticipated, the arrangements for tea will involve a considerable amount of time and work.-Secretary Eastern Division, Sussex, G. H. Howse, Kenilworth, Latimer Road, Eastbourne; Secretary Ashford District, Kent, Charles Tribe, British School Villas, Tenterden, Kent.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-Quarterly meeting at Stafford, Saturday, June 21st. Bells available at 3 . Service at 5.30 , with address by the Rector. Tea (9d.) at 6 p.m. in St. Mary's Church Institute, Mount Street. Please send work by Tuesday, ${ }^{17}$ th inst. Reports are ready.-H. Knight, Honorary Secretary, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Ombersley on Saturday, June 2 ist. Service at 4 p.m. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. - R. G. Knowles, Branch Secretary, Madresfield, Malvern.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Oakham on Saturday, June 21st. Bells ready at 2.30. Committee meeting at 4 o'clock. Tea (rs. each) at a quarter to five, in the Church Room. Will those intending to be present kindly notify Mr. W. E. Higgs, King's Road, Oakham, not later than Thursday, June igth, so that proper arrangements may be made. W. E. White, Honorary Secretary.
HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting and 8 bell contest will take place at Ripponden Saturday, June 215 st , 1913. Tenor ro $\frac{3}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. Draw for order of ringing at 3 p.m. at the Waterloo Inn. Tea will be provided at 6 d . cach for those who order from me by June i6th. All subscriptions are now due.-F. Salmons, 8, Salisbury Place, Halifax.
TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT BELLRINGERS' ASSOCIATION. - The annual festival will be held at Greens Norton on Saturday, June 2Ist, 19r3. Service in church at ri a.m. Business meeting 12 o'clock. Dinner 12.30. Ringing at 2 o'clock.-Frank Causebrook, Hon. Secretary.

ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY, SHEF-FIELD.-The next meeting of the above society will be held at Dronfield on Saturday, June 21 st. Tower open from 4 to 8.30.-J. Evinson, 9I, Clarence Street, Sheffield.
WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual festival will be held at Winchester on Monday, June 23 rd. Meeting at the Guildhall at 2 p.m. Services in Cathedral at 4 p.m. Preacher, the Rev. A. D. Hill, the original founder and first secretary of the Guild. Tea at 5 p.m. The Cathedral bells will be available.-George Williams, Honorary Secretary, West End, Near Southampton.

SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY. - The 2goth anniversary of this Society will be held on Fridar, the 27 th June. All friends welcome.-R. A. Strong, Secretary.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual meeting of this Guild will be held at Walton-on-the-Hiil, Liverpool, on Saturday, June 28th. Full particulars by circular.-Rev. W. S. Bulpit and W. Bentham, Honorary Secretaries.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.- South and West District.The next meeting will be held at Heston on Saturday, June 28th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea will be provided at 6 o'clock. All ringing friends are welcome. - H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The annual general meeting will be held at Warwick on Saturday, June 28th. Short service at St. Mary's at 4.43 p.m. Preacher, Rev. Canon Baillie. Committee meeting in Vestry at 4 p.m. Tea at the Clobe Hotel, gd. per head, after service. Business meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please send
notice by June 20th. St. Mary's tower will be open at 3.30 p.m. and St. Nicholas' by arrangement. All subscriptions in arrears should be forwarded at once to the Treasurer.-Rev. C. C. Cox, Hon. Sec., Shottery.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION (South Western Division).The next meeting will be held at Hornchurch, on Saturday, June 28th. Bells available from 3.30 . Tea and business meeting at the Bull Inn at 5.30 , to members who notify me by June 25 th, at 9 d. All ringers and friends invited. H. Rumens, Hon. District Secretary, 32, Verulam Avenue, Walthamstow.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. A. J. Trappitt, of Beddington, has removed to 41, Alston Road, High Barnet, Herts.

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## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

Puiteuham was the venue of the quarterly meeting of the Guildford District of the Winchester Guild held on May 31st. There was a large attendance, and a short service was held. At the service, the Rector (the Rev. D. G. Clarke) gave an appropriate address. Church bell ringers, he said, were the oldest band of workers in the English Church, and he had great pleasure in welcoming them to Puttenham. He loped that the work they were engaged in would always prosper, and that they would carry out the duty of ringing in the epirit in which the church wished them to do: namely, to help those around them in times of joy and in times of sorrow, by sympathising with them in the changing circumstances of life.
After the service tea was served in the old Seloolroom, and subsequently a business meeting was held.-During the day touches of Plain Poln. Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury and Cambridge Surprise Minor were rung.

## TALLAND CHURCH, CORNWALL.

To the Eflitor.
Sir,-The tower and four bells of Talland having fallen into a state of diserpair, which makes the bells rery dangerous to ring, a scheme has been set on foot to collect about $£ 350$ to effect a thorough restoration and add two more bells to make a ring of six, at the earnest desire of the ringers. Since Christmas, £105 has been collected locally, and from friends; but in such a poor parish it is difficult to see how the entire balance can be raised. and I, as treasyrer, have, therefore, decided to appeal to all the ringers of England (through "The Ringing World"") to help us.
The hells are all by the Penningtons. Two 1804, one 1788, and the other 1773.
I should be glad to receive even the smallest amounts, as cvery
penny helps, and I think all ringers will agree that it is penny helps, and I think all ringers will agrec that it is a very Hon Sject. C. F. JERRAM, Captain, R.MT.L.I.
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## [0.-ISt. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton.

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The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given seneral satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,

Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

## MODERN <br> WORK.

## WAKE UP, HEREFORD!

Thanks to the interest evinced by a correspondent, who may be termed somewhat of an "outsider," we are able to publish this week a report of the annual festival of the Hereford Diocesan Guild. But for this gentleman's thoughtful desire that the successful day's proceedings should not go unchronicled, no record would, we are informed, have been sent to the ringing papers. Now is this as it should be? We do not say that anyone is to blame, for very frequently it happens that what is anybody's business is nobody's business. At the same time it is surely in the interests of any association that the doings at its annual meeting should be known not only to those of its members who attend, but to that far larger section who are, for a variety of reasons, unable to be present-to say nothing of the general interest which other associations have in their neighbours. But on that point we need not dwell. A word to the wise is sufficient, and perhaps in future someone officially connected with the Guild will make himself responsible for sending a report of the proceedings, so that the members in particular and the Exercise in general may learn of the progress that is being made. In the present instance the friendly correspondent has supplied a concise and happily worded report.

There is, however, another matter in which Hereford may well " wake up." In some respects it is abreast of the times, such, for instance, as the provision of a paid instructor. But we learn with some surprise that there is apparently no system in operation for periodical meetings. Only once a year does the association meet-on the occasion of the annual festival, and it seems to us that by the absence of minor gatherings at frequent intervals it misses one of the greatest opportunities for extending its work and bringing it into close touch with the ringers of the diocese.

We are told that there are difficulties in the way of quarterly meetings. Surely they are not insurmountable! A little thoughtful organisation and much might be done; for what is possible in practically all the other associations ought to be feasible in Herefordshire. The advantages of quarterly or district meetings are so manifest and so well recognised that there is no need to enlarge upon the subject; indeed the Hereford Guild have gone some way to acknowledge the principle in "sanctioning" unofficial combined practices. We should like to see Herefordshire bring its organisation up to date. It has a lot of five and six bell towers, to say nothing of the churches with greater numbers, and there is no reason why it should not extend its activities, if organised on progressive lines.

# CHARLES CARR, 

 SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM

OPINION OF OUR MODERT WORK.

Broomfleld Vicarage, Chelmaford.

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Yours truly,
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## TEN BELL PEALS.

BRISTOL.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Suturday, June 14, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. Stephen the Martyr,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 2I cwt.

| George W. Tomkins | ..Tyeble | Charles H. Gordon | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Harry Brownjohn | 2 | William Knight |  |
| Alfred E. Reeves | 3 | Villiam Stowell |  |
| Albert Stowell |  | John A. Burford |  |
| George Condick, Junt | 5 | William A. Cave | Te |

Composed by Frederick Dench, and
Conducted by John A. Burford.
The conductor's rooth peal. Rung on the occasion of the great demonstration in Bristol against the Welsh Disestablishment Jiill.

## CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, June 14. 1913. in Three Hours and Eightcen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints,
a peal of litile bob royal, 5184 Ghances;
Tenor $24 \frac{7}{2}$ cwt.

| *George Hollis | Treble | John C. Dicken |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Walter Allwood | . ... 2 | - Alfred C. Wright |
| Samoel Wesley |  | John H. Brothwell |
| George Lewis |  | - Thomas W. Gore |
| Clement Glenn |  | *Arthur Knighis |

Composed by George Lewis, and
Conducted by Clement Glenn.

* First peal in the method. First peal of Royal in the method by the Association. First peal in the method on the bells. First peal of Royal in the method by the 2nd, 3 rd, 4 th, 5 th and 8 th.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE
TIIE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD
On Saturday, June 14, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN CATER8, 5063 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt. o qr. 18 lbs.
Walter E. Brittain ...Tveble George Hughes ... ... 6 Edgar T. Smith ... ... 2 'Thomas Hoghes Christopher Wallater ... 3 Alfred Rowley Albert C. Blondell ... 4 William E. Cooper Jesse Screen ... ... ... 5 Benjamin Gough ... ...T Tenor Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by George Haghes.

- First peal of Stedman Caters. First peal of Stedman Caters on the bells. It is also the first peal of Stedman Caters for the Dudley and District Guild. This peal has the 6th 23 courses behind the 9 th in the tittums, and 24 courses behind the 8 th with 72 sixes with $8-6$ behind in the hand stroke home position.

ASTON MANOR, BIRMINGHAM
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (Aston Branch.) On Saturday, June 14, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixtien Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS, 5021 CHANCES;
Tenor 22 cwt.


## LONDON

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSQCIATION AND THE ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, WESTMINSTER.
On Saturday, June 14, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret, Westminster,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 GHANGES;
Tenor 26 cwt .


EIGHT BELL PEALS.
HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalen,
a PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 Chances;
Tenor 12 cwt.
 Australia.

## PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, June 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES ;


* First peal jn the method.

REDDISH, STOCKPORT
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Bowdon and Stockport Branch.)
On Tuesday, June 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Elizabeth,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor i2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
drev. A. T. Beeston ...Tyeble Albert Hough ... ... 5 - Harry Washbrook ... $\ldots .2^{2}$ Walter W. Wolstencroft 6 Alfred Barnes... ... ... 3 Frederick Page ... ... 7 Tom Wilde $\quad$ Composed by ${ }^{4}$.... John T. Bottrill ... ... Tenor Composed by E. C. Gobey, and Conducted by Rev. A. T.. Beeston.

* First peal in the method.


## STOKE COVENTRY.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
(The Sx. Michael's Society.)
On IVeduesday, June 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minues, At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Haley's Variation of Thurstans' Twelve-Part. Tenor r $3 \frac{1}{2}$ cwit. -Oswald J. Hunt ... ...Treble William Pryce ... ... ... $z$ William H. Brundsdon .... 3 Adolphus Roberts ... 7 Joseph H. W. White ... a 4 G. Harry Kettle ... ...Tenor Conducted by Adolphus Roberts.
Rung in honour of the marriage of Mr. William T. Cox, a highly esteemed member of the Stoke Society.

## PENTRE RHONDDA.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES ;
Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. io lbs., in $E$ flat.


## HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 12, 1913, in Two Hou's and Fifty-five Munte, At the Chorch of St. Remigius,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
A Variation of Thurstans' Four-Part
Frederick J. Howchin ...Treble Besjamin Thompson
Willtam Hempel ... ... 2 George H. Cross ... ... 6 George Howchin ... ... 3 Albert G. Warnes ... 7 William Steele ... ... 4 Frederick Middleton ...Tency Conducted by A. G. Warnes.
First peal in the method on the bells. This was the first of a serjes of farewell peals to the ringer of the 2 nd prior to his leaving the district.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, June 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor if cwt. o qr. 24 lbs.
John H. B. Hesse ... ...Tyeble | William J. New ... ... 5 Bertram Prewett... George Spencer ... ... 3 Alfred W. Grimes ... 7 Willfam H. Fussele ... 4 William Shepherd... ... Tehor Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by Alfred ' $W$. Grimes.

WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 14, 1973, in Three Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES ;
Tenor 25 cwt.
Edhin Whiting... ... ...Treble | Frederick Manser... ... 5
John Snelling ... ... ... 2 | George Snelling ......
Ernest Whiting … $\ldots . .3$ Frederick Seager... 3 ... 7 Bertie Turner ... ... ... 4 Frederick Borrett ... Tinoy Composed by N. J. Pirsiow, and Conducted by Edwin Whiting.
First peal in the method as conductor. First peal in the method on the belis.

## HERNEHILL, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Jxne 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Parker's One-Part.
 Conducted by E. Trendell.
*First peal. The ringer of the treble is 14 years of age.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(St. Margaret's Society.)
On Saturday, June 14, 1913, in Two Hours ayd Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES ; Tenor $20 \frac{7}{2}$ cwt., in E .

| Alfred Keeble... | eble | Ernest S. Bailey |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alles F. Bailey |  | Edgar H. Bailey |
| James M. Bailey |  | C |
|  |  |  | Composed by C. Middleton, and Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.

First peal in the method by Allen F. Bailey, who is only 17 years of age.

## NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Junc 14, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minkies, At the Church of St. Peter,
a peal of stedman triples, 5040 changes;

## Pitstow's Variation. <br> Tenor ir $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Edifard I. Stone ... ...Trebla
William W. Worthington 2

Јон: Hovgh ... ... ... 5 Herbert Hurdman..... .4 4 *Albert Wagg...... Conducted by J. Griffin
*First peal in the method.

## LONDON

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, June 14, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. Giles-in-the Fields,

## a PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Five-Part
Tenor is cwt.
*Albert E. Millett ...Treble Henri Rumens ... ... 5 George B. Lucas, Senr. 2 . William J. Cooper ... 6 Alfred Howell James C. Adams...$\quad$... 4 Charles J. Datidson ...Tentor Conducted by G. B. Lecas, Senr.
*First peal.
STANSTED, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION On Suturday, June 14, 1913, in Three Hours, Ai the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,
a peal of kent treble bob major, 5088 changes; Tenor is cwt.


Composed by Arther Кivights, and Conducted by William Watts.
First peal by A. Prior who hails from Leyton. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. F. Butler.

## BOLTON, YORIS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. James,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Changes;

Parker's Twelve-Part.
Tenor 15 cmt .
John Palframan... ... ...Treble Firth Hopwood. Fraycis Woodhead
... ${ }^{2}$ John B. Jackson

| ... | 2 |
| :--- | :--- | Conducted by Frederick W. Mixon.

Rung as a birthday compliment to A . Gill, a member of the local band.

## LUTTERWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. <br> On Saturday, June 14, 1913, in Three Hours,

at the Wycliffe Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL dF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Changes 1
Taylor's Six-Part. Tenor 15 cwt.

Harry O. White ... ...Tveble Frederick J. Herbert ... 5 Peter Rourke ......$\quad$... 2 *Walter Williams ... ... 6 | Samdel Poole | ... | ... | .. | 3 | Walter Malins | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Archibaid I | ... | 7 |  |  |  |  | archibald J. Ross...$\quad$... 4 William G. Tilcock .... TenoConducted by Walter Williams.

*First peal as conductor. This is the first peal on the bells conducted by a local man. Messrs. W. Malins and H. O. White hail from Rugby, and the remainder are members of the St. Mary's, Society.

## ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 74, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Denis,

## a peal of stedman triples, 5040 changes;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Albert D. Stone … ...Treble $\mid$ Richard Stredwick

George h. Howse... ... 2 Oliver Sippetts ... ... 6 | *Horace Roffe Butcher | 3 | Keith Hart |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Edward | C. Merritt | $\ldots$ | 4 | William Jenner | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  | Edward C. Merritt.. .4 . William Jenner $\quad . .$. ....Tenoy Conducted by Keith Hart.

* First peal in the method and first attempt. Rung as the usuall quarterly peal of the Eastern Division of the County.


## GAINSBOROUGH, LINCOLNSHIRE. <br> THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> (Northern Branch.)

On Saturduy, June 14, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourtien Minates, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor ig cwt. I qr. 24 lbs .
 †William Dickenson ... 2 †Charles Henry Baker 6
 John Charles Tinker...${ }^{4}{ }^{4}$ Composed by J. Armiger Trollope, and

Composed by J. Armiger Trollope, and
Conducted by Frederick S. W. Butler.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Major. $\ddagger$ First peal of Bob Major First peal of Major as conductor. Arranged for W. Ayre, who hails. from Lenton, Nottingham.


## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, Junc 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes, At Christ Church, Cobitt Town, E,

## a PEAL OF grandsire triples, 5040 Changes;

Holt's Ten-Part.
William A. Donaldson ...Treble
Edward T. Wigg
Arthur J Ne. ... 2 Harold W. Clark harold Wanders .... ... 5 Edwin Barnett, Senr ... 6 Dalbr Hodgson ... ...Tenor
Hawkiva
Cenducted by Edwin Barnett, Senr.
This peal was rung as a farewell to W.A. Donaldson, who was
eaving for Canada on the Igth.

## SIX $\mathbb{O}$ FIVE BELL PEALS.

OVER, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELV DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, June 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes: At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Being one 720 of Woodbine and three each of Oxford and Kent.
J. Bruce Wililamson:

Tenor I $5 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Frederick Barker ...
..Tyeble William D. James..
... 2 Frank E. Kempton $\ldots{ }^{2}$ Abraham Wilkinson $\quad \cdots \quad 3$ A. George Rivers ... $\cdots$...Tenor

Conducted hy William D. James.

* First peal on tower bells. This is the first peal on the bells,

BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, 'June 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Churce of St. Bridget,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Grandsire, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 83 zw c.
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { *John Bevan } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots \text { Treble } & \text { John Gwynne } . . . & \ldots & \ldots & 4 \\ \text { Allen Gwyne } & \ldots & \ldots & 2 & \text { Edward Summers } & \ldots & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { James Blake } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 3 & \text { William Posion } & \ldots & \ldots & \text { Tenor }\end{array}$ James Blake Conducted by William Poston.

* First peal. First in seven methods for all. The ringers are all members of the local company, and the peal was rung on the first occasion the complete band met to make the attempt.

TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. (The Maldon and District Guild.)
On Saturday, June 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-cight Minates, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL Of TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Norwich Surprise, College Exercise, Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, New London Pleasure, Kent and Oxford. Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
fohn D. Buckingham ...Treble $\mid$ Walter Nice ... ... ... 4
Fred Chalk... ... ... ... 2 Alfred South... ... ... 5 Erederick White ... ... 3 Horace J. Mansfield ...Tenor Conducted by Horace J. Mansfield
First peal in seren methods on the bells.

## CHAWTON, HANTS

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, June 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Chorgh of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANEES ;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Canterbury Pleasure, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt .
Alfred R. Elkins ... ..Treble Alfred J. Croucher ... 4 Albert Croucher ... ... 2 Corpl. Geo. Gilbert, R.E. 5 Hubert Chaffey ... ... 3 Charles Edwards... ...Tenor Conducted by Charles Edwards.
First peal on the bells. It is believed to be the first time that even a 720 has been rung on these bells, and, as a result of this visit, the local ringers are going to take up change ringing.

WYKEHAM, NEAR SCARBOROUGH, YORKS. THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, June 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being i2 Six-Scores of Plain Bob and 30 of Grandsire, called in eleven different ways. Tenor ro.cwt.

- Thomas Cole ... ... ...Treble | Frank Davison ... ... 3 Harry Gibson ... ... ... 2 Herbert Millner... ... 4 John R. Barton... ... ...Tenor
Conducted by J. R. Barton.
* First peal away from a covering bell. First peal on the bells which were installed by Taylor and Sons in 190I. First peal of Doubles by all the band. First peal as conductor on tower bells.

BAGLAN, GLAMORGANSHIRE
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Junc 1.t, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Catherine,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHAHGES;
${ }^{\text {a }}$ Ernest Dayles
David Thomas.

- James Partridge

Tenor $y_{4}$ cwt


* First peal and first attempt. The ringers wish to thank the Rector for the use of the bells, and Miss Llewellyn for kindly providing tea after the peal.


## ISHAM, NORTHANTS. <br> THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (The Isham Society.) <br> On Saturday, June 14, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter, <br> A PEAL OF MINOR, 5520 CHANCES; <br> Being seven 720 's, as follows: i Double Court Bob and Single Court Bob, ii Double Bob and Plain Bob, iii Double Oxford Bob and Oxford Bob, iv St. Clement's Bob, v Woodbine Treble Bob, vi Oxtord Treble Bob, vii Kent Treble Bob, and 480 changes of Little Bob. <br> Tenor 9 cwt. <br> Rex T. Boswell ... ...Treble William C. Leivis... ... 4 Walter T. Wilson ... ... 2 E. Maurice Atkins ... 5 Frank H. Talbutt ... ... 3 George A. Blakley ... Tenor

 Conducted by E. M. Atkins.The above is the first peal in eleven methods by the Association and by all the band. It was rung on the seventh anniversary of the dedication of the bells.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

PETERBOROUGH

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. On Monday, June 9, 1913., in Ono Hour and Fifty Minutes,

## In the Belfry of St. Mary's Church,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being one 720 of Oxford Treble Bob and two 720's each of Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
Frank Dainty ... ... ... I Walter Cross...
Thomas Vaughan ... ... 2 George Jutson - ... ... 5-6 Hugh Beechey Conducted by G. Jutson.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wednesday, June 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Six Minutes, At the Residence of A. H. Polling,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Rev. H. Earle Bulwer's Irregular Ten-Part.
Willotghby E. Madiden i-2 | Madrice Smither ... ... 5-6
Alfred H. Polling ... 3-4 Frank Blondell ... ... 7 - 8 Conducted by Alfred H. Puliing.

Umpire: Sydney G. Steer.
Witness: Mrs. Polling.

## Late PEALS.

TURVEY. BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, Jun 7. 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-tivo Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Miss Dorothy Steel ...Treble *Edmund J. Hobbs
Herbert L. Harlow ... 2 •Edward White ... ...
Horace H. Smith ... ... 3 Frank Vebb ... ... ... 7
†Miss Evelyn Steel ... \& Juhn W. Barker ... ...Tenoy
Composed and Conducted by John W. Barker.

* First peal on eight bells. $\dagger$ First peal of Treble Bob Major $\ddagger$ First peal of Treble Bob Major inside

SMETHWICK, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Monday, June 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At the Old Church,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES; Tenor io cwt.

 | Miss Sarah Pigott... | .. | 2 | Morris j. Morris ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\ddagger$ |  |  |  |  |
| $\ddagger$. Herbert |  |  |  |  | Horace Howell ... ... 4 Joseph Piggott ... ...Tenor Composed by J. R. Pritciard, and Conducted by George F. Sivann.

- First peal in the methocl. † First peal of Major. $\ddagger$ First peal in the method away from the treble. First peal in the method as conducter.


## PROGRESS IN AMERICA.

## ASSOCLATION FORMED AT BOSTON.

This week's mail from Boston, U.S.A., brings now's from Dr. A. H. Nichols of a real start being made in the Art in the land of the stars and Stripes. The band is now practically complete, and as no less than five of the number rank as conductors, it is obvious that the company is a very capable one. A society has been formally organised under the name of the Boston Assaciation of Change Ringers, Dr. Vichols having been elected President and Secretary, and Mr. P. J. Allirey, Master.

On Tuesday of last week, the Association, by special invitation, gave an exhibition of change ringing before the Boston Society of Architecte, and other friends. This meeting was in the linc of a plan to educate the community as to the advantage of installing musical peals of bells, and encouraging skilled ringers.

THE FIRST RTNGERS' OUTING IN AMERICA.
Friday, May 20 th, a holiday devoted to the veterans of the civil war and the decoration of soldiers' graves, was rendered noteworthy as being the occesion of the first ringers' outing held in the western hemisphere. The Boston Guild, now equipped for any service, contributed to the celebration of the day by ringing in three towers in detached districts, giving in each locality a meritorious performance. Inasmuch as it was thought expedient to admit the curious public to the ringing chamber, and even the belfry, no peal was practicable; but the regularity of rhythm with which the touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob were tapped off did not fail to impress the listeners as a novel treatment of bells, corveying the conception of a kaleidoscope of agreeable, musical changes.

After performing at Watertown and Christ Church, the band dined at the house of Dr. Nichols, and then proceeded by train to Hingham. Here it was arranged that to the ringers should be assigned a prominent part in the public ceremony, and as the procession of soldiers and civilians marched around the memorial tower containing the fine ring of ten, the bells were set in motion, deeply muffled, except the back stroke of the tenor, and rung until the audience was seated in the adjacent church. Upon the conclusion of the services, the bells were again rung for nearly two hours to an appreciative throng which had bren attracted by previous announcements in the schools and local newspaper of the visit of the English ringers.

The men were assured that one result of this visit was the demonstration of the wisdom of the committee in charge of the tower in selecting English bells adapted to half-pull ringing. The following members took part in the outing: P. J. Allfrey, Wrm. Bashford, Frank Burgar, Jas. F. Laker, G. Maokman, G. Moore, R. Newton, Dr. Nichols, S. J. Perkins, S. W. Sturgis.

At the Perkins' Institute on May 23rd, 720 of Kent Troble Bob Minor was rung in 34 minutes, by: P. J. Allfrey 1, S. J. Perkins 2, Geo. Moore 3, J. F. Laker 4, Wm. Bashford (conductor) 5, R. Newton 6.

## WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

CENTRAL COUNCIL TOPICS DISCUSSED
The quarterly meeting of the Northern Branch was held at Bromsgrove on Satirday. About 40 members were present from Old Hill, Tipton, Brierley Hill, Wordsley, Stourbridge, Hallow, Worcester, Redditch, Northfield, King's Norton, Clent, Edgbaston. Wolverley, Elmiley Lovett, Birmingham, and Selly Oak, together with the local ringers. Service was held in ths Parish Church, where the Vicar (the Rev. H. T. Noel Patterson) gave a very interesting and instructive address from Proverbs xriii, 10. In passing, he said how pleased he was to welcome the Association to that church, which, he said, had been a landmark for the last 500 years. There was a great deal of talk about war, but the battle they were fighting was much harder. The speaker alluded to the great loss they had sustained an the death of the oaptain of the Bromsgrove tingers, Mr. Oliver James, who, he said, was a straightforward and conscientious man, but as time rolled by the gaps would have to be filled, and it gave him the greatest pleasure to see so many young men among them that day taking such a great interest in the art of change ringing. It was a great art, and one which required great skill and patience and plenty of hard work, but as members of the Church, they made it a labour of love.

After the service. tea, which was kindly provided by the Vicar, took place in the Vicarage grounds, and was followed by the business meeting, the Vicar presiding. Redditch was selected for the next quarterly meeting, on Saturday, September 27th. The quarterly peal is to be attempted at Bromsgrove, a very old and respected ringer, Mr. Geo. Hayward, being selected as condructor. It was decided to hold a meeting for combined practice at Halesowen, on July 19th, the methods to practice being Stedman Triples, Grandsire Triples and Treble Bob Major.

## REPRLSENTATION OF LADIES.

Mr. J. R. Newman, the general secretary, gave an account of the Central Council meeting. The two matters he specially referred to were the representation on the Central Council of the Ladies? Guild and peal ringing in relation of the public. He said no vote would be taken at that meeting, as it would be a question that would come before them at the annual meeting.-Mr. Rock Small strongly advocated
the claims of the ladies to be represented on the Council, saying there was no doubt that all ringers would be better for their presence among them. He was spoaking from practical experience, as it had been his pleasuro to ring peals with some of them. He also referred to the splendid way in which the ladies' anmual meeting was conducted at Flarborne on Whit-Monday.-Mr. H. Mason, while advocating the claims of the Ladies Guild, said they should move slowly in the matter until it was shown that they were strong enough to lave a representative on the Council.
In the discussion which followed, on peal ninging, the Vicar said his opinion was that the Central Council should have nothing to do with the matter. It was one for the local authorities only. As Vicar of a church which had a good peal of bells, and one who lived in the shadow of the church he was never tircd of hearing, them ringing, a remark which called forth an emphatic " hear, hear."
On the proposition of Mr. Mason, and seconded by Mr. R. Small, a hearty vote of thanks was given to the Vicar for the address, and to him and Mrs. Noel Patterson for their kindness in providing such an excellent repast.-The Vicar, in responding, said it was eight years since a meeting was held there, but he hoped it would not bo so long again before anotleer was hold. -Touches of Stedman and Grandsire Caters, Stedman and Grandsire Triples and various other methods brought to a close a very successful meeting.

## HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

## THE ANNUAL FESTIVAL.

After an interval of eleven years, the annual festival was held again at Hereford on Thurslay weck, and certainly no trouble had been spared to present the members with a good day's programme. That tho Dean and Chapter are only too ready to give all the encouragement in their power to ringers as church workers was plainly evident from the fact that the Cathedral bells wero available for about four hours during the day. It made the writer, whose lot is not east in such fair ground, positively envious.

The proceedings commenoed with a fully-choral servicu in St. Nicholas: Church at 10.15, at which the special preacher was the Rev. E. V. Cox, who took for his text Eph. vi, 10, "Bo strong in the Lold," and emphasised the duty of ringers as chrurch workers to strengthen the hand of him who was sent to minister among them by their own conduct and example in fulfilling their obligations of church membership, especially in the matter of being regular and devout communicants. The service was intoned by the Rector, the Rev. A. B. Wynne-Wilson, and the special lesson was read by the socretary, the Rev. J. S. Roper, Rector of Quatt. A collection was taken for the funds of the Guild, and amounted to well over $£ 1$.

## MORE MEETINGS WANTED

The business meeting in the College Hall occupied the next hour. The Rev. A. O. Lee, Vicar of Lugwardine, presided in the uavoidable absence of the Master, Mr. J. G. Buchanan. The officers were reelected for the ensuing year. After a letter had been read from Coalbrookdale tower suggesting that the festival be held on a Saturday, the feeling of the meeting was taken and found to be unanimously in favour of a Saturday not being entertained. "Minorities must suffer." However a very good suggestion was thrown out that interim meetings might be arranged unofficially for combined practices. Apparently, quarterly meetings aro as yet unknown in this Guild, doubtless owing to the peculiar difficulties inseparable from workers in purcly agricultural districts. The next annual festival was fixed to take place at Church Stretton.

An adjournment was then mado to dinner at - well, no one seemed to know. It was not found at either of the alternative places on the programme, but with appetites by this time fully whetted, the members finally discorered it at the Wellington Hotel. - The Secretary apologised and made it quito clear that not he but the caterets wero responsible for this "hide-and-scek" game. However, "all's well that ends well,' and a party of nearly 90 sat down to an excellent dinner. After the loyal toast had been honoured, the Rev. A. B. WynneWilson proposed "Success to the Guild," and coupled the toast witht the name of the secretary, who, in his reply, drew attention to the afternoon's programme, and announced that the Rev. A. C. Lee was very kindly providing tea at Lugwardine for all who were going to ring there.
Beside the Gathedral (10) and St. Nicholas (6) in the city, the following towers were visited: Burghill (8), Holme Lacy (8), Lugwardine (6), Stoke Edith, Tarrington, and Withington. Ringers were present from the Cathedral, St. Nicholas, Lugwardine, Quatt, Ross, Newent, Birniingham, Ladlow, Walsall, Gloucester, Stoke Edith, Allerismore, Kingsland, Clifford, Leominster, Withington, Eardisland, Pembridge, Stokesay, Tarrington, Llangorron, Colwall, Coddington, Bosbury Handsworth, Swindon, Madley, Norton Canon, and other places.

On learning that no official record of the meeting was going to be sent to the ringing papers, the writer has penned these notes wilh the conviction that such a festival was worthy of some printer's ink, and an placo among tho records of other similar gatherings.

## ON PLEASURE BENT.

## CAMPANOLOGY IN THE COTSWOLDS

On Sunday week, an enjoyable afternoon was epent by members of the Chettenham and District Guild, when a faithful band of six started out. Eight miles of easy riding brought them to Withington. Here the bells were raised, and Grandsire and Stedman Doubles rung multo laborc. Tea having been partaken of at the Old Mill Inn, the company continued their journey through the picturesque Chedworth Woods, justly famed for their wonderful growth of -wild fiowers. On emerging from the other side of the wood, a splendid view presented itself, insomuch that it made one fecl that it was good to be alive. The air was so clear that the famous Westbury White Horse, over forty miles distant, was plainly visible.
At Chedworth, the six bells recently rehung, were rung for service in Stedman and Grandsire Doubles. After a pleasant little service-no collection-the bells were again set going, and 720 Bob Minor, with two of the looal men ringing inside-although they had rung no Minor some years-was successfully brought round in 23 minutes: H. [foliond 1. W. Yeend 2, J. T. Dyke (conductor) 3, O. Bartlett 4, W. Grecuwood 5, A. S. Boar 6. Three of the party were now introduced to : new methoul, "New Bob or Double Extreme." With two locals, one calling, they started of with the sole knowledge that the "go-off" "was 21435. Lo! they found themselves ringing Plain Bob. At the end of plain courso the conductor called "New Bob." However, the fourth's place single was made, and behold they had rung a six-score of Double Extreme!", The return journey was soon resumed, and, after on hour's wandering over the unbeaconed Cotswold roads, four of the party hinally reached the Oxford Road at Northleach, 12 miles from Cheltenham. However, they put their heads down and "plugged" into the wind, to such purpose that they caught up with the other members of the party (they had started before the 720 was rung), pedalling gently along Cheltenham Hugh Street. The well-satisfied members of the expedition were: H. Holford, J. Pugh, J. Cooper, W. Yeend, J. T. Dyke and A. S. Boar, the conducting being shared by the three lastnamed.

## BOLNEY, SUSSEX

The third aunual outing of the Bolney band was an unqualified succoss. A programme had been drawn up, which included a visit to Woolwich Arsenal as the primcipal item, and thanks to the excellent arrangements made beforehand, the whole programme was carried through without a hitch. Leaving Bolney in waggonettes, at 6.30 a.m., a mest enjoyable drive brought the party to Hayward's Heath Station, where train was boardod for Iondon Bridge. After breakfast, the journey was continued to Woolwich. A most onjoyable and instructive $2!$ hours were spent in looking over the vast factories and workshops, the party, 13 in number, being divided into two sections, and conducted through the most interesting parts of factories. On leaving the Arsenal they visited Greenwich, and after dinner, at the Cloucester Tittel, the party visited. St. Alfego Church, where permis:ion had been granted for a short pull.
Here the party were welcomed by Mr. H. Haskins, the hon. secretary the st. Alfege tower, and during the short stay, the visitors had the pleasule of meeting Mr. I. G. Shade and other members of the Greenwich band. The party essayed to try their 'prentice hands in Grandsire Caters, but perhaps (owing to the heat, the number of bells, weight of metal, length of draught, or some other cause) the less said about the ringing the better. It was of the "outing order," and bad at that. The failure to obtain good striking, however, was quite overshadowed by the cordial welcome extended to the party by the local ringers, and which the visitors wish to take this opportunity of acknowledging, especially that of Mr. Hoskins, whose kindness in obtaining the use of the bells, and in looking out such excellent catering accommodation was highly appreciated. On leaving Greenwich, a short visit was paid to St. Paul's Cathedral, followed by tea, after which a move was made for the Palladium, where seats had been booked for the first "house." Hayward's Heath was reached just before eleven o'clock, and the journer to Bolney, by waggonettes, was completed just after 12 b'clock:

## GRANTHAM MEN AT LOUGHBOROUGH.

The Grantham ringers held a very enjoyable outing on Whit-Tuestay, hen they visited the celebrated bell foundry at Loughborough. The isitors wera met by the foreman of the works and several of the Lough,orough ringers. After inspecting the various departments and processes used in the making of bells, touches of Grandsire and Stedman, Plain Bob and Treble Bob were rung on the light peal of eight at the foundry. A very pleasant surprise then awaited the visitors, for in paitern shop, Messrs. Taylor Thad kindly provided refreshments for thrm. Several courses were very successfully brought round at the Churnwood Coffee House, where dinner was provided. Through the kindness of the Vicar of Loughborough (the Rev. T. Pitts) and the help of the local ringers, touches of Grandsire, Stedman Caters and Treble 'Ten were brought round on the bells of All Saints' Church. In the evening, the visitors closed a very successful outing, by ringing with the help, of the Nottingham men, touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters on the bells of St. Mary's, Nottingham. The Grantham ingers wish to tender, through "The Ringing World." their hearty lhanks to Messrs. Taylor and Co; also to the Loughborough and Notfingham ringers for the kindness and the help given to them, and which helped to make the outing an unforgetable one.

## MEETING AT LOUGHBOROUGH.

A ringing meeting took place on Saturday week at All Saints', Loughborough, when about 20 ringers turned up to ring on the famous bells, "where they rang the clock round." Repairs to the fabric and masonry had kept the peal silent for some time, so the re-opening was all the more pleasant. Mr. H. W. Abbott had made the necessary arrangements, and the bells were open for ringing between three o'clock and 5.30, Treble Ten, Stedman Caters, Grandsire Caters, and a course of Superlative on the back eight kept the bells going merrily. Among those present were: Messrs. J. W. Taylor, R. Lane, I. Hardy, T. Oldham, H. W. Abbott, H. Stubbs, and others, of Loughborough; Revs. C. J. Sturton and R. P. Farrow, M.A., Messrs. Bartram, of Melton : Norman, Vallance, Hardy and Willson, of Leicester; A. Coppock, Nottingham; W. W. Worthington, of Netherseale; and others. It is intended to hold anotiser united practice shortly.

## THE LATE MR. JOSEPH BAINES. <br> A NONOGENARIAN RINGERR.

The Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association has lost its oldest member, by the death of Mr. Joseph Baines, who passed away at the great age of 92 years. In presenting his annual report, the Hon. Secretary of the Association (Mr. T. Metcalfe) made a sympathetic reference to the loss which the Association had sustained, and expressed deep sorrow and regret, at the passing away of so venerable a figure. Mr. Baines, he said, did not go in greatly for peal ringing, having rung only two 5000's during his whole ringing career, but as a Sunday service ringer he was always to be relied upon for punctuality and regularity of attendance. In this respect he was a man whom a great many of the present day ringers might well take a pattern from.

His ringing career commenced. when he was about the age of 2 ? years, under the tuition of his father at Sharow, when there were only six bells in the church. Ho followed ringing at that time only for a short. pericd of about three years. Think.. ing that bell ringing was not a fir, and proper work for Sunday, he gave it up, left the church and joined a dissenting body, afsociated with which he continued for about 40 years. He then rejoined the Church, and took up ringing again, but not before he had had an interview with the Vicar of Sharow (the Rev. Canon Nunn), and had satisfied himself that there was nothing wrong in any man ringing church bells on a Sunday, so long as they were rung for the purpose that they were intended for.

At this time, Mr. Baines was about 60 years of age, but he set himself to master the art of change ringing in the tower with which he was connected in his younger days, and where in the meantime the bells had been augmented from six to eight. After a few years at Sharow Church, he joined the Ripon Cathedral Society, and rang at both Sharow and Ripon for some years, the time for ringing in those days at the Cathedral allowing ringers to get to Sharow to ring there for service. Mr. Baines picked up Stedman and Double Norwich equally as quick as the junior ringers, his favourite methods being Stedman and Grandsire Triples. He finished his ringing career at Sharow, and although his home was some two miles distant from the church, despite his age he would be the first in the belfry ready to take his rope. At last, however, his strength failed him, and he was unab!. to ring for something like twelve months before his death. He was a man of high character, and one who was looked up to and respected.
Several members of the Association attended the funeral at Sharow. and rang the bells, deeply muffled and half-muffled, as a last tributs to one who was esleemed throughout the Association.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL PUBLICATIONS.

## To the Filitor

Sir,- In accordance with the resolution of the Council passed at the recent meeting at Newcastle-on-Tyne, the Council's publications hare been removed from the custody of Messrs. G. Allen and Co., and are row in the keeping of the hon. librarian (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading), to whom alone all applications for copies should be made. All copies of the "Report on Calls, 1874 (sometimes known as "Catalogue of Peals"), and of "Bells, Belfries and Ringers," are sold out. All other publications are for sale at the prices hitherto advertised.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES,
Hon. Secretary.
MARSTON MAGNA.-Bath and Wells Association.-On April 19th, 720 Bob Minor: T Jeanes 1. A. Wheadon 2, G. H. Head 3, T. W. Crefl 4, G. Locke 5, T. J, Lloyd (conductor) 6. First 720 of Minor on the bells.

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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

MR. JAMES E. DAVIS.

One of the best known ringers in the South of England is Mr. James Edward Davis, who has just lately joined the select band of those who have scored upwards of five hundred peals. By birth a Londoner, he first saw the light of day in the parish of St. James, Bermondsey, and he came of a family which has produced more than one good ringer. A dozen years ago his cousin, Mr. Harold N. Davis, was widely known as a ringer and composer of more than average ability. Mr. J. E. Davis learnt to handle a bell and ring rounds at St. George's, Camberwell, in 1892, and shortly after he went to live at Deptford, where he joined the St. John's band. These were the times before the present great increase of the number of peals and methods rung; when men rang one peal where sow they ring a dozen, and when Grandsire and Stedman


Mr. James E. Davis.
Triples were good enough for the very best bands.
It was therefore inevitable that his first peal should be Grandsire Triples, and this was rung on April 19th, 1893. For some years his work prevented him from making many peal attempts, but he had 54 to his credit in 1899 , when he went to South Africa with the 2nd East Surrey Regiment to fight against the Boers. He served for sixteen months in Natal and the Transvaal mostly under General Sir Redvers Buller, and holds the Queen's medal and clasps for his services. How many of the enemy he accounted for we do not know. It musi be, till you get used to it, a rather peculiar sensation to kill a man, but he was fortunate enough to keep his own skin whole, and in due time came home to London, when he took up ringing in real carnest.

Thirty years before the Waterloo Society had been formed, and for years it was one of the largest and most energetic of the Metropolitan Societies outside the two
original ones; being important enough to have representation on the Central Council. It included quite a large number of clever conductors, and the ambition of every conductor then was to call Holt's Original. Several of them, including Mr. Davis, called the peal many times, and the culminating feat was a non-conducted peal at St. John's, Waterloo Road, in which Mr. Davis rang the sixth. Take it all in all there are not many peals anywhere near so difficult to call as the Original, and that was a feat that anyone might be proud of. Mr. Davis holds the opinion that calling the Original is something like ringing London Surprise-it takes " a deuce of a trouble " to learn, but once learnt it is not easily forgotten. Not so long after this the Waterloo Society began to show signs of decay, perhaps its usefulness was passing. First the headquarters were moved from Waterloo Road to Vassal Road, Brixton, and shortly afterwards it peacefully expired, unless, as some think, it is only sleeping waiting for the time when some one will galvanise it into fresh activity. Our friend was the last Master who held office -we suppose he is still Master. But though the society was dead he did not let the practices at St. John's, Waterloo, lapse. He gathered together a band who met regularly, and before long the ringing was far better than it had ever been. Where Triples was almost the only thing rung, now Major, and the higher Major methods, are practiced. You will have to go back many years for the last peal of Stedman rung there by the local band, while it is quite the rule to ring on practice nights as many as six or seven Surprise methods. It is only stating the bare truth to say that the success of the ringing at Waterloo has depended entirely on Mr. Davis, and it is a wonderful tribute to the personality of the man that he has held his position all these years as the informal leader in a free community without rules, without officers, and wizhout any interference from church authorities, able to do what he has done simply because he has earned the respect and confidence of the band.

Besides the ringing at Waterloo Mr. Davis has long been connected with St. Margaret's, Westminster. The conditions of these two towers are such that the two can be worked together without any clashing of interests. At St. Margaret's the Sunday ringing (which can only be done in the evening owing to the Abbey services) is purely voluntary, and the task of getting together and keeping together a band has been Mr. Davis'. It was a good thing for ringing when rather more than a twelve-month ago he was appointed steeple-keeper, and since that time there has not been, we believe, more than a single occasion when the bells have not been rung and rung well for service.

At the last Coronation he was one selected for the honour of ringing at the Abbey, for which he holds the medal given to all, from the Archbishop downwards, who took part in that historic ceremony. Below is a list of his peals, and it is one which for quality and variety of five thousands on tower bells has few equals and probably no superior. It ranges from Doubles to Cambridge Maximus and London Major, and includes the first peals in London of Duffield Royal, Forward Royal and Major, Cambridge Surprise Royal, Norfolk Surprise Major, and the only peal of Waterloo Major ever rung.

A strong man, Mr. Davis is usually found at the heavy end, and he is pre-eminently a "safe" ringer, rarely making a trip. As will be seen from his list he is quite at home in any of the highest methods, but probably the one
he likes the best is Double Norwich, of which we believe he has rung more peals than any one. Certainly no one has rung one bell more times to the same method than he has rung Waterloo tenor to Double Norwich. That bell and he know each other. His peal list will take a lot of beating, but there is this even better thing to be said of him, that everybody knows Jim Davis, and everybody likes and respects him.

Appended is the list of Mr. Davis' 500 peals :-

| Doubles | IRung | Cont |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grandsire Triples | *23 | 5 |
| Grandsire Major | I |  |
| Grandsire Caters | 16 |  |
| Bob Major | 9 |  |
| Treble Bob Major | 33 | 11 |
| Treble Bob Royal | 25 | 16 |
| Treble Bob Maximus | 3 |  |
| Stedman Triples | 47 |  |
| Stedman Caters | 71 | 26 |
| Stedman Cinques | 16 |  |
| Double Oxford Major | I |  |
| Double Norwich Major | 125 | 75 |
| Double Norwich Royal | I |  |
| Real Double Norwich Major | 2 |  |
| Waterloo Reverse Bob Major | I |  |
| Forward Major ............. | 1 | I |
| Forward Royal | 1 |  |
| Duffield Major | I | I |
| Duffield Royal | 1 |  |
| Superlative Surprise Major | 39 | 6 |
| New Cumberland Surprise Major | 5 |  |
| Norfolk Surprise Major ......... | $\checkmark$ | I |
| Bristol Surprise Major | 15 | 1 |
| London Surprise Major | 6 |  |
| New Cambridge Surprise Major | 4 | 1 |
| Cambridge Surprise Major | 34 | 7 |
| Cambridge Surprise Royal | 12 | I |
| Cambridge Surprise Maximus | , |  |
|  | 500 | I 52 |

*Including Holt's Original rung silent.

## ODD CHANGES.

It is satisfactory to see that the appeal made to the Central Council representatives to discuss the Central Council topics with their members is being acted upon. At meetings both in the Worcestershire and Ely Diocesan Associations matiers discussed at Newcastle were ventilated. This is as it should be.

There are not, we believe, a great many campaniles attached to churches in this country--Chichester Cathedral, Evesham and Beccles are perhaps the best known. But at the church of Wykeham, near Scarborough, there is a campanile containing a ring of five bells and upon them the first peal has just been rung by members of the Yorkshire. Association belonging to the St. Mary's, Scarborough, band, who wish to thank the Vicar (the Rev. A. C. Newman) for the use of the bells, and Mr. Riby, the steeple-keeper, for having them in readiness. The tower is at the entrance to the churchyard, and, with the bells, was the gift of Lady Downes.
" James Smith,'" giving the somewhat vague address of "London," has sent us for publication a letter criticising the speech by Mr. A. T. King, at the Central Council meeting, in reference to peal ringing, and suggesting that members of the Middlesex Association, while doing much peal ringing, do not fulfil their duty with regard to ringing for Sunday services, and quotes St. Margaret's, Westminster, as an example.
"James Smith" has seized upon, for him, a most unfortunate instance. In the first place the service ringing at St. Margaret's, Westminster, is not connected with the Middlesex Association, but is carried out by the St. Margaret's Society; while the band which would do " better if they rang for morning and evening service, and afterwards attended church,'" are, it should be known, entirely precluded from ringing on Sunday mornings on account of the Abbey services. On the rest of the letter there is no need to comment. Had " James Smith " given evidence of his bona-fides by enclosing his address we might have been able privately to put him right upon one or two points upon which he shows a decided ignorance of the facts.

A peal board commemorating the "John" peal of Stedman Cinques is to be unveiled at St. Ciles' Church, Cripplegate, on Saturday, June 2 Sih, at 4 p.m. Ringers, and particularly members of the TVaterloo Society, are invited to be present. The bells will be available until 6 p.m. Tea, is. each, at The Crown, Crown Court, Fleet Street, at 6.30 p.m., can be arranged for those who send in their names to Mr. J. D. Matthews, izo, Clonmore Street, Southfields, S.IV., by WVednesday, June 25 th. Handbells, etc., afterwards.

## THE LADIES' GUILD.

## A MEETING IN YORKSHIRE.

The first northern district meeting of the Ladies Guild was held or Saturday week, at Burley, near Leeds, when Miss Willson, of Leicester, visited the Northern Counties. Although the lady ringers live so far apart, those who are identified with the Guild put in an appearance. With the help of a brother ringer on the tenor, the six bells of Burley were put through Grandsire, Stedman and Bob Doubles, the following members ringing the working bells: Miss C. Lumley (Middleham), Miss R. Stanford (Mirfield), Miss W. Hague (Rotherham), Miss A. Hicks (Leeds), Miss L. Willson (Leicester). Afterwards, a mixed band rang touches of Oxford and Kent 'treble Bob Minor. In contra-distinction to the adverse criticism by certain members of the "C.C.," brother ringers to the number of 25 came from many parts of Yorkshire to encourage the Guild members, and all sat down to a good tea provided in the Parish Room by Miss Hicks and Mr. Heap.

After tea, a business meeting followed, the Vicar (the Res. W. $J$ ames, M.A.l, in the chair. The reverend gentleman said how pleased he was for the visitors to ring, and how proud he was that his church possessed one lady ringer (Miss Hicks), and hoped it would attract more young ladies to the bolfry.
Miss Lilian Willson reported that there were now unwards of 70 nembers of the Guild. It was 20 years ago since Miss Alice White, of Basingstoke, startced the Exercise by ringing the first peal in the tower. Miss White was now unable to ring owing to ill-health, but the lady ringers of to-day showed their fraternity by making her the President, and young women were taking to ringing in most towns where opportunity offered.
Miss Ruth Coles, of Brdswater, Somes set, was elec!ed a member.Votes of thanks closed the meeting. Afterwards, Headingley tower, with its grand ring of eight bells, was visited, and touches of Stedman Triples, Treble Bob, Double Norwich and a course of Superlative rung. Many thanks aro due to Mise Thicks and the lacal branch for thenr kind services, and to the Headingley ringers for Heir warm welcome--Mr. J. W. Moorkouse, of Wakefie'd, invited Miss Willson to ring at the Cathedral of that city on the following Tuecday, which invitation was accepted. she afterwards passing on to Scunthorpe, Lincolnshire. It is hoped this fillip will be followed by more recruits to the ranke of the Ladins' Guild.


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## THE SALISBURY GUILD.

## SUCCESSFUL FESTIVAL AT WIMBORNE.

The amual festival of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild at Wimborne was extremoly successful, and was attended by a large gathering of ringers from all farts of the diocese. The fine peal of bells at the Minster, recast and augmented to ten by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, were a great attraction, 'and touches were ming upon them in a variety of methods throughout the day, Miss Alice White (President of the Ladies' Guild being among those who took part. At the service, the singing was led by the Minster choristers, The prayers were read by the Rev. A. D. H. Allan, and the Lesson by the Rev. W. P. Schuster, Vicar of Wect Lulworth, hon. secretary of the Guild. There was a large congregation.

The Viear (Canon J. M. J. Fletcher), in the course of his sermon, having traced the history of the use of bells and their introduction into this country, referred to the ancient character of the Minster bells, which were originally hang in the lantern tower of the building. At that time there was nothing in the form of a peal, but cach bell, according to its depth of tone or size, had its special purpose. The art of change ringing was purely English, and he thought he was right in saying dated from post Reformation times. Some 300 years ago it was elaborated into a science, and after the restoration of the Monarchy of King Charles it became a popular pasttime. It, however, gradually sank in favour and also with reference to those who took part. He quated from the records of the Minster Churchwardens' accounts to show the quantity of beer that was granted the ringers in past days, and that they were on one occasion allowed a larger quantity in order to test the stability of the bell tower, irrespective of the danger that might acculue to their lives. They were pleased that all that was altered and the bells now formed' an important part of Christian worship, and the ringers were honoured and responsible Church officers. He welconed the members of the Guild to that ancient Minster, where for many centuries bells had been houng in one or other of the two towers. He thought there were many lessons to be learnt in change ringing. First there was attention, care, preparation, and concentration in the work; secondly, it taught the lesson of harmony and charity in its truest sense; thirdly, it taught the lesson of sympathy; and, lastly, the lesson of holiness and worship.

## THE BUSINESS MEETING

Dinner was partaken of at the Masonic Hall, the visitors being the guests of the Wimborne branch. There was a record gathering, -over 200 being present. The Vicar presided, and was supported by the officers of the Guild, Mrs. Allan, Miss White, and Mr. W. J. Stanton (churchwarden).-The toast of "The King" was heartily received, on the proposition of the Vicar, after which a business meeting was held.

The Master of the Guild, Mr. Martin Stewart, proposed the election of the Rev. H. E. Tilney Bassett, of Pewsey, as his successor, and remarked Mr. Bassett had worked very hard on behalf of the Guild.-The motion was carried unanimously, and the new Master, in expressing his thanks for the honour done him, said it would be his purpose to bring Wiltshire somewhat nearer to Dorset in the art of change ringing. - It was decided to ask Sir Everard Hambro to accept the office of President in the place of the late Earl Nelson. The other officers were re-elected.
Mr. Cyril Johnston proposed "Long Life and Prosperity to the

Guild," and said he had seen some of the excellent work that had been done by the Guild, whose officers could not be beaten fox energy, perseverance, and enthusiasm. Change ringing was progressing by leaps and bounds in that part of England.-Mr. Martin Stewart, in reply stated for some years the Guild had a stiuggle for existence, but it was now in a flourishing condition. There had been a change in the ringing world, and the urt had now a firm hold in all parts of the diocese.
The Rev. II. E Tilney Bassett thanked the Vicar for presiding, also for his excellent and interesting sermon; the custodians of towers in the district; and the choir.-The Vicar and Mr. Stanton responded.

The Rev. F'. Ll. Elwards gave the toast of "The Ladies.
Parties were then made up and visits paid to the towers of the Parish Churches of St. Giles, Clanborne, Canford, Poole, Lytchett Minster Sturminster Marshall, Ringwood, and Fordingbridge.

The arrangements for the day were made by a local committee, consisting of the Vicar, the Revs. J. A. Bouquet (St. Giles), C. A. Phil lips (Bournemouth), hon. secretary of the Wimborne branoh, A. D. H. Allan, treasurer, and J. Cioss (Sturminster Marshadl), Messrs. T. G Coles and W. J. Stanton (churchwandens), G. Lock, A. Osman, II Burling (Colehill), and Sprake (Sturminster Marshall). The appeal to


Wimborne Minster.
residents in the neighbourhood to subscribe towards entertaining the ringers met with a cordial response, and funds also permitted of the provision of brakes for the ringers in their tour. Besides those mentioned, the Master of the Guild and the Rev. W. P. Schuster rendered appreciated assistance in regard to the arrangements for a very success ful festival.

## HERE AND THERE.

A well-attended meeting of the Bolton branch was held at Newchurch on Saturday last, when 18 members were present from Bolton, Walkden Leigh, and Hindley, together with a good muster of the local company. Some very good touches of Oxford, Kent and Plain Bob, were rung. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Westhoughton.

At a successful meeting of the Middlesex Association at St. Stephen's, West Ealing, the members were entertained by the Viaar and Mrs. Thompson, and at the business meeting, presided over by Mr. J. H. B. Hesse (rice-president), the two sons of Mr. G. Harham (West Ealing), were among those elected members. In the presence of the company these youthful ringers each took a pair of handbells in a touch of Grandsire Triples, their performance being warmly applauded. Prior to tea, the ringers attended service, which was conducted by the Vicar, and during the day a variety of touches was brought round on the bells. Incidentally it may be mentioned that the St. Stephen's, Ealing, band, is by no means strong, and recruits will be welcomed any Tuesday evening from 7.30 to 9 p.m.

There has been a lot of talk at Dereham, and a practical joker got to work in connection with Tmpire Day celebrations-or the absence of them. According to a local paper: "The Town Crier flourishes his ظell, and ears strain to catch his voice, and they hear: 'Ladies and gentlemen, this is Empire Day, Royal Wedding Day and Royal Birthday! Where are the bells? Where are the decorations? What about day! Where are the bells? Where are the decorations? What about
appear. Later the bell again, then the voice: 'Is it true? Is it true? Are all the flags and decorations put away for the Dereham Show If so, don't be afraid to put them out then. Let us show outsiders we have not lost all our enthusiasm. Wake up! Wake up! Dereham town.

These announcements caused a good deal of humorous comment, but some people were a little piqued over them, and regarded the action of the author or authors as more or less ridiculous nonsense. 'That's one for 'em,' chuckled one old chap, 'fancy three big royal events and no bells ringing. I never heard such a thing. I'd gone and pulled one rope myself if they'd asked me, and for nothing, so we could have had a ring of some sort or kind.

Opinions vary as to who should be responsible for the ringing of the bells if they are to be rung in celebration of national events. Some do not consider that the expense should be borne by the church, but by the town or the Urioan Conncil, and some think that the ringers might be patriotic cnough to pull the ropes at euch intervals of the dey as they couk convenicntly spare without payment."

To celebrate the wedding of Mr. A. Garnham, a member of the Gar boldisham band, and Miss Gertrude Hall, at Farsfield. Church, a touch of 2640 Plain Bob Minor was rung in 1 hr. 30 mins., at Garboldisham, by: F. Chaplin 1, W. Bloomfield 2, S. Moule 3, T. Leapy 4, J. Bason (conductor) 5, J. Bonnott 6 . In the evening, 720 Plain Bob was rung, by: F. Chaplin (conductor) 1, O. Garmham 2, W. Bloomfield 3, J. Bennett 4, J. Bason 5, S. Maule 6.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY

 ENTERTAINING RURAL EXPERIENCES.How unlike a church a church can be was very strongly brough the notice of members who cycled to Shareshill last Saturday. The Perpendicular tower, with a pretty band of ornament still stands, but the rest of the old church was destroyed about 1740, and was unfortunately replaced by " a hideous 'classical' monstrosity of red brick, with blue glass windows." However, the bells are a nice light ring of six, tenor 9 cwt. Our surprise can, therefore, be better imagined than described, when one of the locals assured us it was 21 ewt.; we much doubt if he is convinced of the true weight even now! The local band turned up well, and were able to make full use of the visiting "lcarners," as they called us, from Bloxwich, Rushall, Stafford, and St. Peter's, Wolverhampton. The band at Shareshill has been in the habit of ringing by whole-pulls, but after this visit they will receive proper instruction, and should come on well. Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Kent Treble Bob all found a place in the afternoon's ringing. An adjournment to the post office for tea was a means of our becoming acquainted with a little of the "lighter vein" of village life.
The old postman informed us-as though such things occurred every week-that last, Sunday morning he went to church in the waistcoat he was married in fifty years ago; but he added, "yer know, it's goin' a bit brown." Later on, he came out into the garden again, and the following brief conversation took place.

Postman: "Yer know, we had the Postmaster-General here the other day, to see about a pillar box being put up."
Winger: "What part did he come from; not London, I suppose?"
Posiman: "No, from Wolverliampton; that's the General Postmaster what's up in London.
The next cycle run takes place to Haughton and Church Eaton on July 26 th

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

A ringing meeting of the Burton-on-Trent district was held at Alrewas on siaturday week, members being present from Burton, Lichfield, Alrewas, Tamworth, Rolleston, Newhall and Etwall. The bells are a very nice ring of six, but the "go" of two or three of them leaves much to be desired. Touches of Minor and Doubles in various methods were rung before and after tea, which, by the kinduess of the Vicar, the Rev. - Webb, was provided for all attending

At the business meeting, the Vicar, who presided, gave a hearty welcome to the ringers, and said he hoped they would pay another risit to his church on a future occasion.-One new ringing member was elected, and the place of the next meeting was left for the local secretary to arrange. A vote of thanks, proposed by Mr. A. P. Wakley, and seconded by Mr. C. Draper, to the Vicar for so kindly providing tea, for the use of the bells, and for presiding at the meeting, was carried unanimously.-The meeting over, an adjournment was made to the tower, the bells being kept going until it was time to disperse for home.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL MEETING

meeting of the Cirencester branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association was held at Lechlade on Thursday week, and was well attended. At the service, the address was given by the Vicar (the Rer. II. G. P. Brownrigg), and 24 members were present.-Tea and husiness meeting followed, at which a vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. R. Brownrigg for the use of the bells, and for arranging for the service, and to the organist for his services. The bells, a nice toned peal of six, were kept going during the afternoon and evening ill Grandsire, Stedman 2nd Plain Bob, a 360 Grandsire Minor, and 720 Job Minor boing among the touches brought round. Some of the party also went boating on tho river Thames.

## THE CUMBERLANDS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-It is not correct as stated recently that Prince Ernst of Cumberland is descended from the Duke from whom the Cumberlands take their name. The latter was the second son of George II, the first is the great grandson of George MI's fourth son. George III was the nephew of the first Duke of Cumberlaud, who had no son. Also, is there any real evidence that the medal was presented by the Duke? That it was made in honour of him cannot bo doubted.

TROLLOPE.

Ineruditus."-Three simple courses of College Single Minor can be had by calling any bell to run "out" three times, that is, when the treble is coming to take the observation bell off the lead. Or again, they can be got by calling any bell to run "in" three times, which occurs after turning the treble from behind. Two courses can be got by calling the 6th " in" and "out" in each course.

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## THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKS ASSOCIATION <br> SUOCESSFUL GATHERING AT RIPON

The annual meeting of the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association at Ripon was attended by ringers from Richmond, Tanfield Stockton, Middleham, Thirsk, Sharow, Hemingbrough, Ripon, Skolton, Maske, Ormesby, Middlesbrough, Whitby, Wath, Darlington, Patley Bridge, Kettering and Ashby de la Zouche.

Dinner was provided at the Black Bull Hotel, Ripon, the President (the Rev. W. P. Wright) being in the chair, supported by the Rev. R. Mappherson (Precentor at Ripon Cathedral), Mr. W. W. Worthington, and the secretary (Mr. T. Metcalfe), a company numbering 60 sitting down.-The usual toasts were honoured, and the President welcomed: Mr. Nicholls, of Kettering, and Mr. Worthington, of Ashby de la Zouche. He also proposed that the best thanks of this Association begiven to the Dean and Ohapter of the Ripon Cathedral, and to Canon. Palmer, Vicar of Sharow. for the use of their bells. - The Rev. R. Macpherson, in replying, gave the Association, in the name of the Dean and Chapter of Ripon, a most hearty welcome to Ripon. He had no idea that bell ringing was taken such a great interest in, but judging by that gathering, it was quite erident that there was a great deal: more in bell ringing than the outside world was aware of. He hoped that they all would enjoy themselves on the Cathedral bells, and beable to give a good account of their work. The report of the Association's work during the year was read by the secretary, who made a reference to the Welsh Disestablishment Bill, and pointed out that they as bell ringers and church workers should put their shoulder to. the wheel and Io everything in their power to keep their ancient. rights, because if this Bill became law in Wales there was nothing tosay that a similar Bill would not be brought into force in England, and. if this were done it might very seriously interfere with the art so many of them lored. Turning to the work of the Association, the report complained of the slackness of local secretaries not sending tower reports for the Anrual Report. This report showed that 24 peals had been rung during the year, which was a record in number of peals for the Association. They had been mung in the following methods:Grandsire Caters, 1: Grandsire Triples, 10; Stedman Triples, 2; Bobr Triples, 1; Bob Major, 1; Kent Major, 1; Double Norwich Major, 1; Minor, 2. On handbells: Minor, 2: Bob Major, 2. Eleven conductors and 57 ringers had taken part in these peals, which compared. favourably with previous years, being similar in point average. During the year, 27 members had been elected. The balance sheet showed. that the Association stond in a good financial position, having a credit balance at the bank after paying all accounts and granting a sum of $£ 5$ to the Vicar of Whorlton towards defraying the cost of repairing the church bells, of $£ 2795.10 \frac{1}{2} d$. The meetings held by the Association had been well attended, and much useful work done among young ringers. The report concluded by expressing great appreciation of the work done by the President, and making a sympathetic reference to the death of Mr. Joseph Baines, a member of the Association, who had passed away at the advanced age of 92 years.
The report was adopted.
The Fiev. R. Macpherson was elected an hon. member, Mr. W. W. Worthington a life member, and four lady members were also elected.
The President reported that the following places had been recommended by the committee for the meetings during the ensuing year: August Bank Holiday, Middlesbrough; September, Middleham; Easter Monday, 1914, Malton; and the annual meeting, Whit-Monday, 1914, Northallerton
Mr. T. Stephenson proposed that the whole of the retiring officers be re-elected; this was seconded by Mr. J. W. Newton, and carried unanimously.
On the motion of Mr. A. MacFarlane, seconded by Mr. W. Pollard, the President and secretary were elected representatives to the Central Council.

During the day, a good deal of ringing was done on the bells at the Cathedral and Sharow, the following methods being rung: Bob Minor. Kent Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent and Double Norwich Major, Grandsire and Stedman Caters, and Kent Royal. The mocting proved one of the most successful and enjoyable in the annals of the Association.

## LINCOLN GUILD.

A meeting of the Grimsby district of the Lincoln Guild was held at Scunthorpe on Saturday week, under the presidency of the Vicar (the Rer. T. Boughton). Members were present from Gainsborough, Grimsby, Barrow, and the local tower. Previous to the meeting, the members sat down to a splendid tea.-Mr. Chapman, of Scunthorpe, was elected a ringing member.
Mr. J. Parkin, of Scunthorpe, read an interesting paper entitled "Why do I rirg and why am I a church bell ringer?" In the course of a discussion, which followed, Mr. Tinker, of Gainsborough, and Mr. Richardson, of cumsby, referred to the position of ringers fifty or sixty years ago, poring what good work the different associations in the country had do.re.-The meeting closed with a wote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, to Mr. Parkin for the paper he had read, and to Mr. Bird for the excellent arrangements he had made.
The methods rung during the afternoon and evening included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Treble Bob and Plain Bob. The improvement noticeable in the striking was eridence of the value of the practice obtained at theso meetings.

## NOTICES.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).-Southern District. -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, June 21st, at Christ Church, Blackfriars. Tower open from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting at 8.15. All ringers and friends invited.- F. A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Blackburn Branch.-A branch meeting will be held at Clitheroe on Saturday, June 2 ist, igi3. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

SUSSEX AND KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS.A combined meeting of the Eastern Division of the former and the Ashford District of the latter will be held at Rye on Saturday, June 2ist. Bells available (Rye 6 and Iden 6) from 2 till 9. Special service at St. Mary's, Rye, at 50 'clock. Preacher, the Vicar (Rev. A. P̄. Howes, M.A.), who has also kindly invited all the members attending to the Monastry immediately after the service as his guests to tea. A short business meeting will follow. The usual travelling allowances will be made to the Sussex members attending on application to their secretary as below.Secretary Eastern Division, Sussex, G. H. Howse, Kenilworth, Latimer Road, Eastbourne; Secretary Ashford District, Kent, Charles 'rribe, British School Villas, Tenterden, Kent.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-Quarterly meeting at Stafford, Saturday, June 2ist. Bells available at 3. Service at $5 \cdot 30$, with address by the Rector. Tea (9d.) at 6 p.m. in St. Mary's Church Institute, Mount Street. Reports are ready.-H. Knight, Honorary Secretary, $\mathrm{I}_{5}$, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Ombersley on Saturday, June 2rst. Service at 4 p.m. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. - R. G. Knowles, Branch Secretary, Madresfield, Malvern.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Oakham on Saturday, June 2 ist. Bells ready at 2.30. Committee meeting at 4 o'clock. Tea (is. each) at a quarter to five, in the Church Room.-IV. E. White, Honorary Secretary.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting and 8 bell contest will take place at Ripponden Saturday, June 21st, 1913. Tenor 103 $\frac{3}{4}$ cwt. Draw for order of ringing at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at the Waterloo Inn. All subscriptions are now due. - F. Salmons, 8, Salisbury Place, Halifax.

TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT BELLRINGERS' ASSOCIATION. - The annual festival will be held at Greens Norton on Saturday, June 21st, 1913. Service in church at II a.m. Business meeting iz o'clock. Dinner 12.30. Ringing at 2 o'clock.-Frank Causebrook, Hon. Sccretary.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Sandy tomorrow, Saturday, June 2rst. Bells available from 3 to 9 p.m.-F. Blood, Branch Secretary.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual festival will be held at Winchester on Monday, June 23 rd. Meeting at the Guildhall at 2 p.m. Services in Cathedral at $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Preacher, the Rev. A. D. Hill, the original
founder and first secretary of the Guild. Tea at 5 p.m. The Cathedral bells will be available.-George Williams, Honorary Secretary, West End, Near Southampton.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual meeting of this Guild will be held at Walton-on-the-Hill, Liverpool, on Saturday, June 28th. Full particulars by circular.-Rev. W. S. Bulpit and W. Bentham, Honorary Secretaries.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District.The next meeting will be held at Heston on Saturday, June 28 th. Bells available from $3 \cdot 30$. Tea will be provided at 6 o'clock. All ringing friends are welcome. - H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The annual general meeting will be held at Warwick on Saturday, June 28th. Short service at St. Mary's at 4.45 p.m. Preacher, Rev. Canon Baillie. Committee meeting in Vestry at 4 p.m. Tea at the Globe Hotel, gd. per head, after service. Business meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please send notice by June 2oth. St. Mary's tower will be open at 3.30 p.m. and St. Nicholas' by arrangement. All subscriptions in arrears should be forwarded at once to the Treasurer.-Rev. C. C. Cox, Hon. Sec., Shottery.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION (South Western Division).The next meeting will be held at Hornchurch, on Saturday, June 28th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea and business meeting at the Bull Inn at $5 \cdot 30$, to members who notify me by June 25 th, at $9 d$. All ringers and friends invited. H. Rumens, Hon. District Secretary, 32, Verulam Avenue, Walthamstow.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Luton District.-A meeting will be held at Dunstable on Saturday, June 28 th, 1913. Bells available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.--1. King, Honorary Secretary, 6, Tavistock Crescent, Luton.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Division. -The next quarterly meeting will be held at Lyminster on Saturday, June 28th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Tea at the Parish Room 5.30 , by kind invitation of the Vicar. Business to follow. All members intending to be present at tea please inform me by Wednesday, June 25 th. -H. Evans, Divisional Secretary, Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (Southern Branch).The next mecting will be held at Edenham on Saturday, July $5^{\text {th }}$, bells (6) available all day, service in the church at 4 p.m. Tea will be provided at the Five Belis Inn at 4.45 p.m., business meeting following. It is hoped that ringers and friends will turn up in large numbers, and so make this meeting a very successful one. - S. Proctor, Secretary, $7^{2}$, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

 -Established 1637. - A district meeting will be held at Croydon on Saturday, July $5^{\text {th }}$. Ringing from 4 to 5 o'clock at St. John's, and from 6 to 8 o'clock at St. Peter's. By the kind invitation of Messrs. Johnston, tea will be provided for all who send their names to me by July rst. A social meeting will be held at 8 o'clock. - William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, $3^{2}$, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.WTHE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).-The quarterly meeting of the association will be held on Monday, July 7 th, at the church of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Bloomsbury, W.C. Tower open from

8 to 9.30 p.m. Business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.-F. J. Hardy, Honorary General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

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## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A district meeting of the Ely Archdeac̃onry was held at Long Stanton on Salurday, members being present from Cambridge, Cottenham, Fen Ditton, Stapleford, Iekleton, Lolworth, Royston, and the local tower.
A short service was held in the church, the Vicar (the Rev. H. B. Woolley) giving a very encouraging address from Hebrews x, 25, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together as the manner of somo is."
A meat tea was prorided in the Schoolroom, followed by the business meeting, the Vicar presiding, and Mrs. Woolley being also present. Several new members were elected, and it was decided to hold the next district meeting at Ickleton, in September.-A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar tor the kind welcome he had given to the Association, and for the use of the bells, and for his address, on the motion of Mr. T. R. Dennis, who, referring to what was said at the Central Council meeting regarding peal ringing and the public, urged all members present to see that the striking was good, even if it was only in a simple method, whenever they rang peals, as good striking pleased the public, although they did not understarid the art themselves. The resolution was seconded by Mr P. Webb, who endorsed all Mr Dennis had said, and suggested that ringers, when they met for peals or even at meetings, should give a penny each to help the restoration of bells at rarious places. Though only a small sum, it would all help on the work.-The Vicar, in reply, said how pleased he was to welcome the ringers to Long Stanton.
During the afternoon and evening, the sweet little peal of eight bells were rung in the following methods, the Vicar taking a rope in most touches: Boh Minor, Bob Major, Grandsire Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A moeting of the Lewisham District was held at Downe on Saturday week, when twenty-three were present from Beckenham, Bromley, Chislehurst, Crayfond, Dartford, Deptford, Farningham, Hayes, and Lewisham. Touches of Doubles and Minor were brought round, and at the service, the Association's special form was used. The Rev. A. A. Gilson (Vicar) had most kindly sccured the service of an organist and some of the choir boys, and the singing made the service very bright. An admirable address was given by the Vicar. Tea followed at the Queen's Head Hotel, the Vicar presiding.-Mr. W. J Jeffries ably exp!aned the advantages of belonging to the Association, and trusted the Downe band would soon become affiliated. In conclusion, lie proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for so kindly arranging the service, and for the use of the bells, also to the organisi and choir boys in their kindness. -The motion was seconded $\mathrm{l}_{\mathrm{y}}$ the District Secretary (Mr. T. Groombridge), and carried with applause.-'The Vicar, in reply, said the visit had given him very great pleasure, and ho trusted the Downe band would become affiliated. He (the Vicar) was very interested in change ringing, but at present lacked rope-sight. It would give him great pleasure to become an hon. member (applause).-A course of Grandsire Triples was then rung on the Vicar's handbells, and afterwards the tower was again visited, tarious touches being rung, including two courses of Cambridge Surprise Minor.

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The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BEGK,

Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

## MODERN

WORK.

## IN AMERICA.

The news which we have had from America recently is as gratifying as it is interesting, for it tells of organised effort made for the first time to establish the Art in a land where hitherto the spasmodic attempts to plant the flag have had but singularly short-lived success. We frequently talk of the Art being peculiarly English in its character, and it is true that even in our dominions overseas it has proved exceedingly difficult to promote. The cause has not been in this case so much the fact that the uses of bells, as we know them, are not so fully appreciated in the Colonies-as might be the fact in other lands-as to the trouble in getting together enough ringers in one centre. And although there have been a few rings of bells in America the same difficulties have been experienced. Many ringers from the old country have settled in the States, but at places so far apart that co-operative effort has been impossible.
Thanks, however, to the interest displayed in the Art by Dr. A. H. Nicholls, of Boston, Massachusetts, and to his untiring efforts, rings of bells have been provided in that city and its environs, and he has now gathered round him from England a band capable of demonstrating to the Americans the superior qualities of English bells hung for ringing over the harsher and far less melodious castings of the foundries in the Western hemisphere. From the reports which we have been able to publish the citizens of Boston seem readily to have appreciated the rhythm of well-tuned bells rung in changes, and now the newly-formed Guild have gonea step further, and, by demonstrating before a society of architects, have been able to show those responsible for the construction of towers something of the requirements necessary for the successful erection of bells on English principles. Dr. Nicholls is certainly beginning at the right end. He tells us that the frequent performances of long lengths are not to be expected. Americans, who have the reputation for living at high pressure, and who are specially sensitive to noise, have not been habituated to the ringing of bells, and peals would probably only tend to set them against the establishment of the Art in their country. The conditions in England and America, it must be remembered, are vastly different. Here at home the public have grown up with the bells in their midst and ringing both by custom and tradition is part and parcel of English life. In America it is far different. Our Art is an innovation, and it is far better to go slowly and to educate the public, as Dr. Nicholls is evidently doing, than plunge into a campaign of peal ringing, and so, perhaps, create at the outset a lasting spirit of hostility.


OPINION OF OUR MODERN WORK.

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-scven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary-le-Tower,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5002 CHANGES;
Tenor 32 cwt .

| mes Motts ... ... ...Treble | William Motts |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William L. Catchpole | Ernest G. Stibbons |  |
| - William A. Garrard | William P. Garrett |  |
| Edgar Pemberton | William E. Garrard | Io |
| Charles J. Sedgley | Robert FI. Brundle | 11 |
| Charles H. Gillingham 6 | Charles A. Catchpole |  | Conducted by James Motts.

* First peal of Stedman Cinques. Rung specially to oblige Wm. E. Garrard and as a birthday peal to his son, Wm. A. Garrard, who was 19 years of age on Monday, June 23rd. Both these ringers and Ernest G. Stibbons belong to St. Mary Abbott's Society, London, and were spending the week-end in Suffolk.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

## WOLVERHAMPTON

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Thursday, June 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-tkn Minutes, At the Collegiate Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS, 5057 GHANGE8;
Tenor 33 cwt .
*Harry M. Hawkswood ...Treble! Herbert Jones
*Harry Mitchell ... ... 2 †William H. Laivley ... 7
$\dagger$ Frederick Darrale ... 3 Benjamin Clark ... ... 5
*Harold Gibson ... ... 4 Albert Litile...
Herbert Knight ... ... 5 †Edward F. Mitchell ...Tenor Composed by James E. Groves, and Conducted by Herbert KNight

* First peal. †First peal on ten bells. First peal on the bells by an entirely local band.

GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Wulfrum,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;
Tenor 32 cwt .
Harry Thorpe... ... ...Tyeble William G. Thorpe ... 6
George Chester ... ... 2 Sidney Proctor ... ... 7
Albert C. Darnell ... 3 John A. Freeman ... ... si
J. Frank Proctor ... ... 4 Benjamin A. Knights ...
*Tom Pyle Thomas H. Hall
Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by Sidney Proctgr.

* First peal of Caters.- This composition, now rung for the first time, contains the 6th the extent wrong in the tittums and inverted home positions. The peal was arranged for Messrs. Chester, Pyle and Freeman, of Lincoln, and as a birthday compliment to Miss K. M. Thorpe, sister of the ringers of the treble and 6 th bells.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

MOTTRAM, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Bowdon and Stockport Branch.)
On Tucsday, Junc 17, 1913, in Thece Hours and Eleven Minates, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 15 cwt .
John Stoppord ... ... ...Treble Tom Wilde
Rev. A. T. Beeston Isaac Sidebotham ... ... 5
Wilitam H Bradiey … 2 Joseph Goddard … ...
John Flarrop ... ... ... 4 Albert Hough... ... ... Tehor
Composed by Arthur Knights, and
Conducted by Rev. A. T. Beesion.

## BUSHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Tuesday, June 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. James,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Haley's Variation of Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor iz cwt.

| George Edwards | $\ldots .$. Treble | Bertram Preivett...... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Thomas R. Scoti ... ... 2 William Seetey

 Walter S. Inwood .... ... 4 Conducted by William Seeley.
Mr. G. Edwards hails from Chiddingstone.

BARKING, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
(St. Margaret's Society, Barktng.)
On Tuesday, June 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Carter's Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor $22 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt
William G. Jackson ...Treble George Cottis ... ... 5 Albert C. Hardy ... ... 2 James Norris ... ... ... 6 George W. Faulkner ... 3 Caleb Fenn ... ... ... 7 Henry E. Parker ... ... 4 | Ernest G. Fenn ... ... Tenon Conducted by Caleb Fenn.
Rung, with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to D'oyley S. Simons, a member of the above Society, who was buried on the above date.

## BURGESS HILL, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Wednesday, June 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Churcil of St. John the Evangelist A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES; Thurstans' Fodr-Part. Tenor I4 cwt.
Alfred J. Turner ... ...Treble Richard Stredwick Eric Filtness ... ... ... 2 Arthur W. Gravett ... 5 Frederick Protherough... 3 Keith Hart ... ... ... 7 Horace Roffe Butcher Thomas Stringer ... ....Tenor Conducted by Keith Hart.
Rung on the 5oth anniversary of the dedication of the church.

## BIIGHTON, SUSSEX

TiIE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORYICH COURT 803 MAJOR, B088 CHANGES;

Arthur W. Gravett
Arthur H. White White ... ... 2 Richard Stredwick ... Eric Filtness ... ... ... 4

Ernest Gower
John Capp.
. 6
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Albert D. Stone } . . . & \cdots & 7 \\ \text { Keith Hart }\end{array}$
Keith Hart ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Keith Hart.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX The SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
a PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES ; Tenor $17 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Frederick Protherough...Tveble Oliver Sippetts ... ... 5 Eric Filtness ... ... ... 2 Alfred J. Turner... .... 6 William C. Hart ... ... 3 Albert D. Stone ... ... 7 John Capp ... ... ... ... 4 Keith Hart ... ... .. Tenor

Composed by Henry Dains, and Conclucted by Keith Hart.

BISHOP'S LYDEARD, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WHELIS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Tuo Hours and Fifty-nine Munutes. At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Hollis's Five-Part No. ${ }^{2}$ Tenor $24 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in E flat.

Albert Tout ... ... ...Treble
Henry J. Creed ... ... 2
Henry Norman ... ... ... 4
Conducted by Robert Scotr.
Rung as a birthday compliment to H. J. Creed. Great credit is due to A . Tout for the manner in which he rang the treble, it being his first peal and rung at the first attempt. He has only taken up change ringing for about three months, and was elected a member of the Association in the tower.

## ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, June 21. 1913, in Three Hozrs, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
a PEAL of 8tEDHAK TRIPLES, 5040 Changes :
Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Variation. Tenor 15 cwt. Isaac Emery ... ... ...Te eble Frank Bennett ... ... Thomas H. Colburn ... 2 Thomas King ... ... Louis J. Attwater ... ... 3 Thomas Jakeman ... ... 7 Hubert J. Blackwell ... $\begin{gathered}\text { Conducted by Frank Bennett. } \\ \text { Waler Rowe......... Tenor }\end{gathered}$
It was intended to have rung this peal by all blacksmiths, but unfortunately Mr. Wightman, through meeting with an accident, was prevented from taking part at the last minute. The conductor filled his place at short notice.

WOOLWICH, KENT.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES; Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 13 cw .
Isaac G. Shade... ... ...Treble Harry Beckford ... ... 5 Edward T. Wigg ... ... 2 Reoben Sanders ... ... 6
 Conducted by William Pye.
Rung as a birtlday compliment to W. Horsley.
BECKENHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. George,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Holt's Tex-Part.


HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 Changes ; Tenor ig cwt.


WOOTTON BASSETT, WILTS.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Tzvelve Minutes,
At the Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF double NORWICH COURT bOB MAJDR, 5040 CHANCES; Tenor 18 cwt . 3 qr

*Gilbert H. Harding ... 3 George Lancaster... ... 7
$\ddagger$ William G. Lancaster... 4 Charles J. Gardiner ...Tenor Composed by Benjamin Annable, and Conducted by Charles J. Gardiner.

- First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal of Major. $\ddagger$ First peal on eight bells. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung to welcome home Mrs. Mathias, wife of the Vicar (the Rev. J. C. S. Mathias), after several months' absence through ill-health. Gilbert H. Harding was elected a member of the above Association before starting the peal. First peal in the method on the bells.


## HARTLEBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION On Sunday, June 22, 1913, in Tivo Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. James,

## a PEAL OF Stedman triples, 5040 Chances;

Thorstans' Four-Part

William Short ... Ernest E. Barber William C. Jones J. H. R. Freeborn
..Treble George Hinton, Junr.... 5

$\ldots$... 4 Gordon Checketts
Conducted by W. Page.
Rung on the anniversary of the Coronation of King George $V$

## SIX 8 FIVE BELL PEALS.

NEWDIGATE, SURREY.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Tzo Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB minor, 5040 Changes;

Being 720 each of London Scholars' Pleasure, Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent. Tenor $8 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Albert Ellis ..Treble
John Akehurst
2
Percy F. Veller
Oliver Sippetts
4
Arther W. Tullett
Fredk. R. Tullett, Jumr. Tenor Rung as a birthday compliment to Oliver Sippetts.

ISLIP, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Suturday, June 21, 1913, in Tïo Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Pagish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor.

Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*John Colemax
..Treble
*James B. Hudson ...
*Leonard TVymas:
Conducted by R. Thone Jerht Thomas Jervis.
Reginald C. Loveday C. Loteday

* First peal in seven methods, andl rung at the first attempt. It was a birthday compliment to the conductor

STOKE ALBANY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE. THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Satirday, Jue 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two $720^{\prime}$ s each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and one each of Oxford Bob, St. Clement's and Plain Bob each called differently. Foster Deacon. Harry Peet.. Frederick Kifborn Corn ... ... Conducted by Fred Kilborn... | Horace W. Sharman | $\cdots$. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| enor |  |  | Horace W. Sharman.

First peal in five methods by all except the conductor, to whom the peal was rung as a birthday compliment.

# KERESLEY, WARWICKSHIRE. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. <br> On Suturday, June 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes. At the Church of St. Thomas; <br> <br> A PEAL DF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; <br> <br> A PEAL DF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; <br> Being I2 Six-scores of Plain Bob and 30 of Grandsire, called in i4: different ways. <br> Tenor 6 cwt . I cIr. <br> William Pryce... ... ...Treble Charles Freeman ... ... 3 <br>  <br> Conducted by J. H. W. White. <br> This is the first peal on the bells. 

## BUXTON, NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Junc 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-fuce Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Being seven 720's.

Tenor 12 cwit.

| ban bullek | ble | Walter |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George Firrow | ... ... 2 | *Charles |

 Conducted by W. C. Medlar.

* First peal.

The peal of Stedman Triples rung at Wood Green, Wednesbury, on June $5^{\text {th }}$, was conducted by S. J. Tyler.

## THE WINCHESTER GUILD.

The aunual meeting of the Winchester Diocesan Guild, at Winchester, on Monday, was attended by about a hundred members. The President (Mr. J. P. Stillwell), the Master (the Rev. C. E. Mathews), the hon. secretary (MIr. G. Williams), the hon. treasurer (the Rev. W. E. Colchestor), the auditor (Mr. H. White), and the recorder of peals (Mr. Fairey), were re-elected.-It was decided that district secretaries unable to attend the Central Committee meetings should in future be allowed to send the assistant secretary, with full power to vote. The Master gave a resume of the Central Council meeting, and referred particularly to the warm welcoms given to the Southerners at Newastle. He pointed out that the next meeting of the Council was to take place at Winchester, and said they came back from Newcastie with the determination to do all they could to give the Northerners an equally warm welcome in the south.-A coinmittee, consisting of the President, the Master, the Hon. Secretary, the Hou. Trensurer, and Mr. W. J. Elkins, was appointed to carry out the necessary arrangements.
The usuah servico was held in the Cathedral, the special preacher being the liev. De Boulay Hill, one of the founders of the Guild 33 years ago. At that time, the Guild started with seven towers in yution, and it now had 89 .
The tea took place in 'St. Maurice's Hall, and afterwards the usual rotes of chanks were accorded.
We hope to give al fuller report of the proceedings next week.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

A well-attended meeting of the Wotton-under-Edge and district branch was held at Wickwar on Saturday last, when nine towers were represented. A tea and meeting were held at the White Horse Inn, where Mr. F. G. Ansell, one of the churchwardeus, presidech over a gathering of 28 members. Previous to the meeting, a fow of the members visited the Rector (the Rev. Canon Ljon), who, owing to his age, was unable to meet them, he being over 90 years of age. He gave them a hearty welcome to his church, and hoped they would sperd a plensant afternoon. - Mr. F. K. Howell (chairman of the branch), on behati of the members, thanked the Rector for granting them the use of the bells.
The mecting passed off very successfully, and included the election of Mr. J. E. Ward as an hon, member of the district. Mr. Ward is a past master of the Association, and for some years acted as hon. trea surer. Me has lately come to reside in the district, but owing to illhealth has been obligod to give up ringing. It was deciacd to hold the next meeting at slymbridge, on July 26th.-The bells, a nice peal of six, were kept going during the afternoon and evening in Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.
STWANMORE.-The Wincheater Guild.-On Sunday afternoon, April 6th, at the residence of Mr. W. Linter, three 120's of Grandsire Doublos, on handbells: Miss May Linter 1, Miss Ethel Linter 2, Fred Linter 3, Roy Linter 4, W. Linter 5-6. In the evening, three $120^{\prime}$ 's, Walter Liniter 1, remainder as above; andl 108 Grandsire Minor: Miss May Linter 1, Miss Ethel Linter 2, Roy Lintor 3. Fred Linter 4, Waltor Jinter 5, $\sqrt{W}$. Linter (conductor) 6.

## A 20th CENTURY PILGRIMAGE.

The paroohial records of Christ Church, Mitcham, contain an nique entry for. Saturday, 14th June, for although the bells "given by Wm. Jno. Harris and Fanny his wife,' have been hung for 29 years, it is the first occasion that the ringers there have emulated the example of their elder brethren of the Parish Church in the felicity of a sunny summer's day ringing tour.
The members of the band, with the Vicar and both wardens and five staunch friends of ringing fame, met in the belfry at $7.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m} .$, and joined as a devoted body of Churoh workers in Common Prayer ( "if the player ba good, the Commoner, the better'). Short opening touches werc rung by the local band, and then by the visitors without a "stand." They then grouperd, with their various insignia of office, under the tower in the churchyard where a camera made a permanent record of form and feature of tho pilgrim band. Meanwhile a wellappointed saloon motor (Tillings, Ltd) had arrived at the churchyard gate, which tho 16 Pilgrims quickly boarded, decorating it with a symbol of their art, and the Guildford Pilgrimage had commenced be fore the scheduled time of 8 o'clock.

Being a six-bell band, six-bell towers were the objective points; therefore, Ewell, with its eight and Leatherhead with its ten, were passed by, and the Norman Church (and rebuilt Saxon Tower) of St. Andrew, Cobham, was made the first stopping place. The pilgrims being sufficiently numerous for division into two bands was a distinct advantage at all the towers throughout the day, for while one band wero handling the ropes, the other band were able to inspect archæological features and appreciate the rural surroundings (so different to High Street, Oclliers Wood), and to realise somewhat of the "Peace of God" that seems to brood upon these quiet resting places consecrated by the use of the hoary ages of antiquity. Half an hour was the allolted span at each church, rigidly adhered to; thercfore, no stop was made for lunch, but a pilgrim's portion was handed round in passing through Wisley and Ripley-for early birds had had only time to catch just one early worm.

The Onslow Churches of West Clandon, and tinen of Merrow, both of Vorman origin, were next visited, and the county town of Surrey reached by 11.45 when the Pigrim band was joincd by an old friend, in tho person of wr. J. J. Jones, the hon. secretary of the local branch of the Winchester Guild. Plain courses of Doubles were well struck, and quickly brought round at Brett's Restaurant, and although Archbishop Abbot's Hospital was closed to visitors through fears of wanton lamage, recently engendered by some of those who profess and call hemselves Christians, the Jacobean Town Hall was opened (thanks to Mr. Jones), and here the famous 15th century gilt and silver mace, the finest in England, was inspected, together with its jounger and larger Stuart brother.
The church and belfry (under repar) of Holy Trinity-the latter now being made famous throughout the ringing workd by the wonderful feats of Mr. Pulling-and then the Anglo-Saxon castle ruins, with nemories of the murdered sons of King Alfred, and of Stephen Langton of Magna Charta fame (15th June, 1215), oame in for a hasty surey. Want of time alone prevented a visit to the Saxon and mediæval Church of St. Mary with all its interesting work, or a pull on the en of St. Nicolas at the Ford.

A charming walk along the tow-path of the Wey to the ruined Pilgrim Chapel on the summit of St. Catherine's Hill, brought the 0 th century Pilgrims on to what is still known as "the Pilgrims Way," f tho 13 th century Winchester-Canterbury Pilgrims, who, in their lay and time, only used what is probably the most ancient track-way in the country, viz., the prehistoric track-way along the southern slope of the North Downs from the Stonehenge Metropolis (possibly the old Tin way from the West) to the Kentish coast-some would even take us urther on and longer back in this same track-way over the site of the English Channel to the stone circles of Brittany.
Crossing the Pilgrim Ford by ferry, the track-way was continued in
although here covered by private golf links, it is still the ancient high way) till a slight detour brought the present pilgrims to Shalford hurch, with its 19 cwt . tenor. It was hot work after dinner, and the enor-man persuived then re-bonrding the car, Bramloy belfry (nnor Torman work), with its outside stair, was soon tintinabulating with tho bells-

## That ring so slow

## So mellow, musical and low,

and here tho Pilgrim band were strengthened by Mr, and Mrs. Whittington, of county ringing fame.

Wonersh, the church in the park, clearly "a case of the pious ancestor," who buitt the church for himself, his tenants, and fellow parishioners, on his own land and next his own housc-the origin of so many of our ancient parish churches-a most interesting building, with a curious crypt and mortuary chapel, the whole place (save the ringing chamber!) both beautifully appointed and kept; and the bells, liku those of Bramley, recently rehung.
Leaving tho restored Nornan Church (and erstwhile Pilgrim Chapel) of St. Martin, Chilworth, unrisited, high upon the summit of the

North Downs, with its world-old traditional memories of human sacrifices on the site, and of Christian Martyrdoms in the dim early age of Ohristianity-of beacon fires-and of Medrizval Pilgrimage associations, the motor flew through Albury on to Shere, where the monthly combined practice of the Guildford district had been arranged to meet the Mitcham Pilgrims.

The church here is an exceedingly quaint mixture of Norman, Early English, decorated, churchwarden and Victorian Gothic-with its big heavy tower over the central crossing, ands a beautiful ring of eight. The camera again played its part here as the "furthest extent" of the Pilgrimage.
The journey on through Gomshall and Wotton was chiefly associated with memories of "Jehu the son of Jehosophat, the son of Nimshi, for he driveth furiously," and tea at Dorking came as a weloome tonic to strained nerves. Buckland, with its quaint squat spire, was the scene of the only ilisappointment of the day, a recent death and present sore sickness in the village preventing ringing.

Reigate and its hill were next negotiated, and then Kingswood, the finest six-bell ring in the county, was reached soon after 8 o'clock. The customary half hour was extended here till "Trilight and evening bell -and after that the dark" brought "one clear call for" home; the little incident of a tyre coming off in crossing Burgh Heath, while causing a little "bumping" to which ringers are not unaccustomed, did nothing to mar the content of a day well spent, and a visit to the Sutton Garage soon enabled the captain to call another "Go for Home"-yes Home " poor benighted Mitcham "-the land of market gardens and of stinks-still, our home, the place of our trivial round and common task and the scene of deep-seated affections. At 10.45, tired out and virtuous, after 17 hours (for some left home at 6.0 a.m.), and 70 miles of pure enjoyment with ringing echoes of Grandsire (good old Grandsire), Bob Doubles, Oxford Single, Plain Bob, Canterbury, Sterlmain, and Kent Treble Bob.

The programme issued to the Pilgrims eujoined on all Joseph's advice to his bretluren on their journey, "See that ye fall not out by the way." It was obeyed literally, for on one occasion one Pilgrim was observed to be holding on like grim death, while Godly love and concord was the order, and memory, of a very happy day.

The Pilgrims desire to publicly acknomledge and to express their gratitude to the Rectors and Vicars of the various parishes for the ready and kindly assents giren, weeks ago, for the use of the bells; and to the local captains and steeplekeepers for their presence, their help, and for their kind and brotherly expressions of goodwill, and, last, but not least, to the chauffeur who made the running

## EXHIBITION OF CHANGE RINGING.

BOSFON GUILD DEMONSTRATE BEFORE AMERICAN ARCHITECTS.
The Boston (U.S.A.) Guild of Ringers, recently organised, having been honoured with an invitation to give a practical demonstration of their art before the Boston Society of Architects, met for this purpose on June 10th in the tower of the Perkin's Institution for the Blind. A full turnout of the society afforled a rare opportunity of illustrating to an intelligent and appreciative audience, not only the scientific character and superiority of change ringing, but also of directing attention to our reasonable requirements in the design and equipment of bell towers
useful object lesson was thus giren in certain details of tower construction, wherein architects are not unfrequently delinquent, such, for example, as the relation of belfry floor to arches, and its height from the ground, the lighting, ventilation and furnishing of the ringing chamber, and location of hatchwats. Especial interest was shown in watehing, from the spiral stairway mounting from the bell deck. the rhythmical revolution of the bells, and the effect of their lateral thrust upon the stability of the stone walls.
It seems to be a wise policy to encourage in future similar visits of the laity to our towers as tending to develop more intimate relations between ringers, who are too little inclinet to cultivate acquaintanceship outside their own numbers, and the members of other professions. Such inter-communication cannot fail to be helpful in stimulating the design of improved towers, the selection of better bells, the promotion of good ringing; and, what is of like importance, the adrancement of the ringers themselves. Indeed it is by the vehicle of associations thus formed that certain members of our band have been already introduced to desirable cmplorment.
It must, be admitted that this proposition, directed less to the scoring of points than to the edification and education of the public, precludes the idea of prolonged ringing to which our communities are not habituatcd, and are less inclined to tolerate by reason of recent agitation against objectionable noises. Hence our English confreres must not look for the achierement of many complete peals in this region, which will be permissible only upon general holidays. Meanwhile we shall try to awoid the danger of incurring an unsympathetic rebuke like that administered to some unskilled performers upon one of our American chimes, riz, that they should suspend practice until thev had learncd to recognise the difference between harmony and assault and battery.
A. H. NICHOLS, M.D

## ON PLEASURE BENT.

## A HUNDRED MILE MOTOR TRIP.

The ringers of St. John the Evangclist's, Bournemouth. had their annual outing on Saturday, when the party, numbering 13, and including the Vicar, visited Southampton. The journey was made by motor-car, in all a circuit of about 100 miles. Starting about 8.30 a.m., a short halt was made in the New Forest to inspect the Rufus stone, and then Romsey was reached, where a brief inspection of the fine old abbey was made. Dinner was partaken of at Southampton, and afterwards the dlocks were visited, and the party were extremely lucky in getting a good view of the s.s. "Olympic," which had arrived during the morning. The next move was to Hursley, about nine miles away, where the Ficar, Curate and steeplckeeper met the party, and a few short touches were rung. Returning to Southampton for tea, a quiet hour's stroll was enjoyed, and then the jounney home was made via Lyndhurst, a successful and enjoyable day finishing at 10.30 r.m. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar and Curate of Hursley for their welcome and kindness, and the stceplekecper for having everything in readiness.

## IN " ZUMLMERSET."

A very pleasant afternoon was spent by cight members of the Gloucester and the Bristol Association, on Saturday. Leaving Bristol at 2.30 in a waggonette, a drive through some of the famous Somerset lanes brought them to Chem-Magna, where the band made a great effort to score the first 720 on the bells, which, with a tenor of 34 cwt., do not go very well. The bells were raised in peal and after ringing three courses of Plain Bob, an adjournment was made for tea. The party then returned to the tower, and after paying some small attentions to the bells, the extent on six was brought round in 28 minutes, by $: \mathbf{R}$. J. Wilkins 1, W. Lansdown 2, C. H. Gordon 3, G. Wiltshire 4, H. Howell (conductor) 5, T. Long 6. After ringing à six-score and lowering the bells, the visitors proceeded to Winford, where there is a very pretty ring of six (tenor 16 cwt ), and upon these another 720 was rung, by: F. Price 1, W. Lansdown 2, A. Maggs 3, R. J. Wilkins (conductor) 4. If. Howell 5, G. Wiltshire 6. A couple of six-scores, in which two of the local men and IV. Stafford, took part, followed. The ringers wish to thank the clergy for the use of the bells, and hope to pay several more visits to "Zummerset," which is noted for its towers and rings. The bells at Chem-Magna are a very fine peal of six, and with four trebles would rum Wrington very close for first place as a peal of ten. A pleasant drive of seven miles brought the visitors to Bristol at 10.30, and everyone agreed that the outing had been much more enjoyable than ringing a 5040 .-R.J.W

## THE BUSHEY SOCIETY

The annual outing of the Bushey Society took place on Saturday week in pleasant weather. Meeting at the church at 8 a.m., a start was made by brake to Barnet, where, permission for ringing having aIready been cbtained, a touch of Stedman Triples was first brought round, the tone of the bells being greatly admired. A plain course of Bristol and touches of Bob Major and Grandsire Triples finished the ringing here, one of the local men taking a rope in the latter. Adjourning to a neighbouring hostelry, a pleasant half-hour was spent in the company of Mr. J. Sumpter, the genial steeplekeeper, and the evergreen Mr. Lolton. Afterwards the party proceeded to Southgate, where a pleasant half-hour was whiled away in watching the cricket match between M.C.C. and Southgate. Dinner at the Cherry Tree was the next item, and the risitors were agreeably surprised when their Rector walked into the room, he having motored over from Bushey in order to be present. Having done justice to an excellent spread, the party were piloted to the church by Mr. J. E. Miller to have a pull on the famous peal, and two touches of Stedman Triples, three leads of Kent and of Oxford Treble Bob, and a plain course each of Double Norwich and Bristol were rung. After taking leave of the Rector, who had to return to Bushey to take a service, the party drove to North Mimins, where the church is pleasantly situated in a park embowered in trees. Here was found a grand little peal of six, upon which touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles and Kent Treble Bob Minor were tapped off, and a touch of Oxford, with Mr. A. Jawrence, who is instructing the local band, was lost in the last few leads. A charming, though rather rough road through the park, brought them to South Mimms, where tea at the Greyhound was very welcome. After tea the Secretary trotterl the party off to the church, where they rang Stedman Doubles, Kent and Plain Bob Minor, the long draught and the huge ropes being rather too much for the nerves of some of the band, who preferred listening to ringing. Leaving at 7.45 , a pleasant drive through undulating country brought the excursionists to Aldenham, where they spont a social hour with some of the local men at Host Jones', and reached Bushey soon after 9.30 p.m., after a most enjoyable day. The best thanks of the party are due to the various incumbents for the use of their bells, and to tho steeplekeepers for having them ready

## IN THE LUNE VALLEY

The first annual outing of the St. Mary's, Penwortham, Society, which was form a year ago on the occasion of the bi-centenary celebrations of the erection of the bells, was a very enjoyable affair. Accompanied by the Vicar (the Rev. O. Burton), who is president of the suciety, a visit was paid to the Lune Valley. Driving from Lancaster, the first call was at Claughton to inspect the ancient bell which the
church there possesses. Its date was unknown until 1853, but the inscription in Lombardic characters, then deciphered, appear to fix its casting at about 1296 A.D. It is considered to be the oldest dated bell in England in perfect condition. The visitors next proceeded to Hornby, where, by permission of the Vicar, touches of College Single and Bob Minor were rung, Mr. Norris, a native of Penwortham, taking a rope with the ringers from his birthplace. After dinncr, the party went on to Melling and Lower Bentham, at each of which places, by the kindness of the Vicar, they were able to ring. At Lower Bentham they found a weight of metal which demanded their best efforts, but despite this, and the length of rope, the ringing was gookl. An interesting feature at this church is a spare bell about 15 cwt ., hung in the church poreh, and used for occasional purposes.

The final call was Burton-in-Lonsdale, the Rer. Reginald Stowell, who is a member of the Lancashire Association, Having extended a hearty welcome, but owing to a prior engagement he was unable to be present personally. A 720 Bobr Minor was brought round, and after tea furilier ringing was indulged in until time for the homeward journcy, Preston being reached about 10.30, after a most enjoyable day in every respect. The members of the society desire to place on recora their hearty thanks to the Vicars of the respective churches visited, for permission to use the bells, and also to the local ringers for ther hearty welcome. Should they cerer find themselves able to visit Penwortham, the ringers there will endeavour to give them a welcome equally as hearty and fraternal.

## INTERESTING CEREMONY AT.BURNHAM. PRESENTATION AND UNVEILING

Last Saturday's Surprise practice at this tower was considerably varicd by two pleasing little cercmonies carricd out in a quiet and prompt manner, under the secretaryship of Mr. J. J. Parker. At 7 p.m., a peal tablet was unveiled by the Vicar (the Rev. F. F. Penrud dock. M.A.) with appropriate word and deed-a white ensign having previously obscured the record affixed to the belfry wall perpetuating paal No. 1965 for the Oxford Diocesan Guild-a 5056 Superlative rung last December being the first surprise on the bells when most of the band earned their stars. Gathered in the belfry were a dozen well known ringing faces from neighbouring towers in Bucks and BerksMessrs. Welling, Garraway, Buckland, Mayne, Blackmore, Cox, Henley, and W. II. Fussell, also the Rev. II. J. S. Davis (Curate, late of Chalfont), and several past and present churchwardens, Messis. II. A. Carter, W. H. Williams and G. Fdney

The second item of the evening, consisted of the preseutation of an eight-day marble striking clock to Mr. George Martin, of Maidenheat, one of the most deserving members of the East Berks and South Fucks branch of the Guild, and a truly qualified instructor. This duty was also kindly undertaken by the Vicar, a list of the subscribers, with an address, forming part of the gift, being handed over with the clock, which bears a neat gilt plate in front, inscribed as follows: " l'resented to Mr. George Martin, as a mark of respect, from a few ringing friends, Burnham, Bucks, 21st June, 1913.

In returning thanks, Mr. Martin was quite unable to give expression to all he wished to say to those who had very kindly thought so well of his endeavour to help on advanced change ringing in the branch. Ho was completely taken by surprise, and stood watching with unconcern the unpacking of a brown paper parcel, till the Vicar crossed the belfry floor and gently placed the timepiece in Mr. Martin's astonished hands.

A course of Cambridge Surprise then followed, six of the team being members of the superlative bind, and then came a few complimentary specches, during which Mr. Parker proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for not only their presence with tho ringers that evening, bat also for the generous permission to practice at Burnham readily given during the past two years through the steeplekceper, Mr. G. Allder.
These gentlemen having responded Mr. Churchwarden Williams took a spell on the 6th bell, when it was ascertained he began his ringing at Liandaft Cathedral, and many years since helped to restore Bedwas bells, a ring of six at his father's church. After a friendly good-night all round. the visitors were left to their practice, and several touches of Cambridge were attempted, one failing in the last lead, but one coming home in good style, and the belfry closed at 9 ooclock

Facing the chorch gates siands "Jhe Five Bells," an ancient housc of refreshment, with its projecting sign well adorned with painted bells, their number coinciding with those of the church at one time, but it requires rehanging and angmentation to be up-to-date. To this house the company retired until 10 p.m., the reasonable hour of closing. Mine Host, with the surname of Frost, suffering from the heat of midsummer, was able to satisfy his guests with good supplies of Marlow ale, generally known locally as "clonkey beer," and some wholesome bread, cheese, lettuce and spring onions. Fiere we voted "Georgn" to the chair, arranged future practices for Farnliam Royal July 5th, and Besconsfield on the 12th, and anent the history of the new peal board, learnt that it was originally an old table, one of its legs forming a cornice to the top of the panel. At parting time, all the ringers were found to have a two-wheeled steed in readiness, and were soon winging their aerial flight home wards like a bery of aeronats well satisfied with a good finale to the longest day of the year.

## NEWS FROM NEW ZEALAND.

By this week's mail, we have received the report of a quarter-peal rung at St. Matthew's, Auckland, New Zealand, on Sunday, May 4 th, in honour of the visit of H.M.S. New Zealand to Auckland. It was rung for morning service, in 50 mins., by: J. Heather 1, N. Smallwood 2, S. C. Hamblin 3, O. Throssell 4, J. Davies 5, E. J Hamblin 6, A. J. White (conductor) 7, P. W. Barringer 8. In the evening a touci of 672 Grandsire Triples was rung, by: J. Heather 1, N. Smallwood 2, O. Throssell 3, E. J. Hamblin 4, J. Davies 5, S. C. Eamblin 6, A. J. White (conductor) 7, P. W. Barringer 8.

At Christchurch, which has been the chief centre of ringing in the Southern island, the Exercise, according to latest accounts, is not so flourishing as one could desire, although, we hear, the prospects are bright. At the Cathedral there is a peal of ten, and another ring of five at St. Paul's, Papanni, a suburb of Christchurch. The bells at the Cathedral are a very melodious ring, tenor 32 cwt . The back eight, together with the tower and spire 219 ft . high, were the gift of the Rhodes family, in memory of their father, and on the tenor is (h) inscription:-

We've crossed the seas to this fair chime
To do God all the honour,
From clime to clime,
We'll ring our chime
And tell of Rhodes the dionor.
The two trebles were the gift of Mr. Miles, and on one is inscribed:We two little trebles to complete the chime

Were nearly left out too late,
When Miles to the rescue, but just in time, Added us on to the eight.
The bells are by Taylor, and are hung in a very substantial oak frams. There have been three peals rung on them, one of Grandsire Doubles in 1900, one of Bob Triples in January, 1903, and one of Grandsire Triples in November, 1903. After these peals, several of the band left for other places, and there has never been a really good company there sirice, but at present things are somewhat more promising. Mr. J. S. Wilde, formerly of Hyde, Cheshire, although not residing in Christchurch, has visited the city, and severai attempts for peals have been made with him, but, unfortunately, without success. Mr. Wilde has given great help to the ringers living in Christchurch, being ever ready to place his extensive knowledge at their disposal.
The Cathedral, however, is right in the centre of the business part of the city, and this would make it impossible to ring many peals there, although at holiday times attempts are possible.

Ohr correspondent, Mr. T. W. Biddle, of 107, Antigua Street, Christchurch, remarks in his letter that it is strange that so few ringers from the old country make for Christchurch, yet it is the largest manufacturing town in that country, and there is always a demand for skilled artizans in the building trade, cabinet makers, painters, etc. If any ringer desires information about the country, he will be giacl to tell them what he can, based on the prospects six months ahead, but. he adds, " they must understand that they have to chance their luck, which is naturally the case when one makes a change."
Mr. Biddle has been up to Auckland, where he had plenty of ringing in the shape of short touches. Two attempts for quarter-peals of Grandsire Triples were lost, but nevertheless they had some excellent striking. Stedman Dotibles and Bob Minor were also accomplished, whilst about a dozen courses of Grandsire Caters (the first in Auckland) were rung ou handbells, by: E. Hamblin 1-2, O. Throssell 3-4, J. Heather 5-6. 'T'. Biddle 7-8, D. A. White 9-10.

## DEATH OF AN OLD COLLEGE YOUTH,

We record, with regret, the death, after several months' illness, of and had 52 peals to his credit which with during the years 1892-97. He was at this time residing in London, but on going to Herne Bay later, his opportunities for peal ringing were very fow. He was, however, a regular Sunday ringer at St. Martin's, Herne, where there is a fine-toned ring of six. After these bells were rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank in 1905, he was instrumental in getting the local company to take up change ringing. IIe will be greatly missed by the band, as well as by all thosc who knew him, and deep sympathy is felt for his widow and children in their loss.
The funeral took place on Saturday week, and in the evening a few of his ringing friends from the neighbouring villages met at Herne Church, and a quarter-peal of Bob Minor was rung with the bells halfmuffled, by: C. Holman (Herne Bay) 1, S. White (Wickhambreaux, conductor) 2, F. Jones (Chislet) 3, H. Smith (Wickhambreaux) 4. E. Hartop (Herne) 5, E. Slingslby (Sturry) 6. Messrs. J. Bubb and W. Curtis, of the local band, also took part in a touch.
Mr. Sorrell was a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and it is worthy of note that he took part in the first peal of Duffield Major rung in Loudon, at St. Stephen's, Westminster, on January 18th. 1896. A list of his peals is as follows: Grandsire Triples, 5 ; Caters, 3: Stedman Triples, 7; Caters, 4; Bob Major, 4 (conducted 1); Kent Treble Bob Major, 7 (conducted 2); Royal, 5; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 2; Royal, 2; Double Norwich Major, 5; Superlative Surprise Major, 5: Cambridge Surprise Major, 2; Duffield Major, 1.

## HALIFAX ASSOCIATION. <br> <br> ANNUAL MEETING AND CONTEST.

 <br> <br> ANNUAL MEETING AND CONTEST.}The annual meeting and eight-bell contest of the Halifax and District Association was held at Ripponden on Saturday last, the bells and schools kindly being placed at the disposal of the members by the Vicar (the Rev. E. W. Easton, Mi.A.). Three companies of ringers entered for the contest, each set ringing a test piece of 608 changes Kent Treble Bob, preceded by three leads for practice. The judges for the occasion were Messre. Broadley and Cundall, of Bradford, and Mr. Webster, of Ripponden. The draw for order of ringing took place at 3.15 p.m., and the contest was then proceeded with. During the afternoon about 70 members and friends did full justice to an excellent tea, kindly provided by the local branch.

At the conclusion of the ringing, the annual meeting was held in the Schoolroom, the President (Mr. J. Cotterell) being in the chair, supported by the Vicar and the society's officers.-Eleven new members were admitted, on the proposition of Mr. Rylands, seconded by Mr. A. Carter.-The Treasurer, Mr. Ambler, then presented the balance sheet, which had been previously audited, and this showed an increase in funds on the year's working of $£ 113 \mathrm{~s}$. 4 d ., the balance in the society's favour being $£ 1910 \mathrm{~s}$. 10d.-The accounts were adopted, on the motion of Mr. Smith, of Halifax, seconded by Mr. Rylands.
It was decided that informal meetings for practice be held every four months, of which due notice will be given to each tower. These meetings are to be held at the place of the last contest.- The Vicar of Ripponden kindly granted the use of his bells for the first meeting of this kind.
There being no nominations of officers, the officers who did duty last year were re-elected.-A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells and schools.
The judges' decision was then announced as follows by Mr. Broadley: Halifax, 373 faults; Bughouse, 306 faults; Earlsheaton, 210 faults. Earlsheaton were, therefore, declared the winners. -The Vicar replied to the vote of thanks, and presented the cup to Mr. Hardy, the conductor of the winning team.
$A$ vote of thanks to the local branch and the ladies for so kindly entertaining the visitors, was carried, and suitably acknowledged by Mr . Carter, a member of the local branch.--A vote of thanks to the judges and a similar compliment to the Chairman was carried, and duly acknowledged.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Ombersley, a village on the main road from Worcester to Kidderminster, was the renue of the quarterly meeting of the Western Branch of the Worcestershire Association on Saturday last. Members arrived about 3 o'clock, some by motor 'bus, most by cfcle, and a few more fortunate ones by molor-car. Ringing commenced with two courses of Ke1t Treble Bob. and at the service at 4 o'clock, which was attended by about 40 members. the Association form of service was used, and the Rev. J. Webster (Vicar), gave a very practical address.
The local ringers kindly provided a tea, which was served under very pleasant conditions on the Vicarage lawn.-The business meeting followed, the Vicar presiding over an attendance of 50 , representing nearly every tower of the branch.-Ombersley was chosen for the next quarterly peal, and Mr. L. Longney as conductor.-The next meeting was arranged for Powick, on October 11th. Two howorary and 18 performing members were elected, including the bands of Shrawley and Welland.-After the usual votes of thanks, the tower was again visited, and the bells kept going in various methods, bringing to a close a very pleasant and instructive meeting.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

At a ringing meeting, held at Bentley, Brentwood, the members were kindly entertained to tea on the Parsonage lawn by the Rev. W. Ripley. Afterwards, a little business was done. Seven new members at Bentley, four at Ingatestone, one at Fryerning, one at Shenfield, and one non-resident life member, were elected. At the three first towers there are five bells, and at Shenfield six. Mr. Erdwards, in proposing a hearty rote of thanks to the Rev. W. Ripley for his kind invitation and hospitality, and to the ladies who served the tea, urged the members to remember they did not only go to ring the bells to call others to church, but to attend as regular as possible them-seives.-The Rer. W. Ripley, in replying, assured those present that it gave him much pleasure to meet the Association on that their first visit to Bentley, and he would be pleased to sce them there again whenever they chose to come.-The Vicar then piloted the visitors through the beantiful little church, pointing out some very interesting and most magnificent marble work.-During the evening, six-scores of Grandsire, Siedman and Bob Doubles were rung on the bells, all the new members taking part, and one sharing in the conducting. A course of Grandsire Caters, by: Messrs. Lincoln 1-2, Kirton 3-4, Edwards 5-6, Cooper 7-8, F. W. Edwards 9, and A. Rainbird 10, and a touch of Grandsire Triples by Messrs. Kirton, Edwards, Cooper and Lincoln, were rung on the handbells.
Shenfield was visited earlier in the afternoon, Bob Minor and Grandsire bring rung.- The towers represented during the day were: Boreham. Chelmsford, Fryerning, Ingatestonc, Shenfield, Writtle, and the local compriny.

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Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on May 11th, 1912.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association, June1st.
Stedman Cinques by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17th.
Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the Kent Association, December 7th, 1912.

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## BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS. LINCOLN.

By J. R. Jerram.

It would occupy too much space to enter into the early history of bells formerly in this Cathedral; but, to put it briefly, two bells were given by Robert de Chesney, fourth Bishop of Lincoln, about the middle of the twelfth century, and were hung in one of the western towers. Two more were placed in the central tower between 1307 and r3Ir. Others were added at various times, till in the eighteenth century we find a peal of six in this tower. These were commonly known as the "Lady bells," and were inscribed as follows:-

## Tenor.

SVM ROSA PVLSATA MVNDI MARIA VOCATA. ${ }^{1} 593$. O
("I being struck am called Mary rose of the world:")
The four last bells bore the medallion of Robert Quernbe and Henry Oldfield-a shield in the centre with a bell thereon and round the border "+MADE BI ROBERT QVERNB ET HENRI OVLFELD." At that time the old Great Tom hung in the north-west tower. This bell measured $75 \frac{1}{2}$ inches diameter and weighed 88 cwt. I qr. Io $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs., and was inscribed: SPIRITVS SANCTVS A PATRE ET FILIO PROCEDENS SVAVITER SONANS AD SALVTEM ANNO DOMINI r6ro, DECEMBRIS 3 REGNI IACOBI ANGLIE 80 ET SCOTIE $44^{\circ}$, LAVRENTIVS STANTON DECANVS,


Lincoln Cathedral.

Treble.
JESVS BE OVR SPEED. 1633. Second.
SOLI DEO GLORIA IN EXCELSIS.
DANIEL HEDDERLY FOVNDER. 1737 .
(" Glory in the highest to Grod only.")
Third.
CVM VOCE SONORA THOMAM CAMPANA LAVDET. 1593 . O
("Let this bell praise Thomas with loud voice.") Fourth.
SVM ROSA PVLSATA MVNDI KATERINA VOCATA. I593. O
("I being struck am called Katherine rose of the world.")
Fifth.
IN MVLTIS ANNIS RESONET CANPPANA IOHANNIS. 1593. O
("May the bell of John resound for many years.')

ROGERVS PARKER PRECENTOR ET MAGISTER FABRICIE, GEORGIVS ELAND CANCELLARIVS ET MAGISTER FABRICIE, RICARDVS CLAYTON ARCHIDIACONVS LINCOLN.
> ("'The Holy Spirit proceeding from the Father and the Son sweetly sounding to salvation. In the year of our Lord 1610 , December 3 rd. In the 8 th year of the reign of James, King of England, and 44th of Scotland. Laurence Stanton, Dean; Roger Parker, Precentor and Master of the Fabric; George Eland, Chancellor and Master of the Fabric; Richard Clayton, Archdeacon of Lincoln.")

This bell was cracked in 1827. Several authorities were consulted as to the cause of the disaster, and were asked to suggest a remedy. In 183I Mr. Thos. Bishop, of Birmingham, cut off eight pieces of metal weighing together 3 cwt . qr . $23 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{lbs}$., with the idea of improving the tone. After this Mr. Poole, of Lincoln, cut off five pieces more, weighing 6 cwt . $3 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{lbs}$., with the same idea. All these pieces were deposited in the closet on the staircase which leads out of the upper north transept. But all this was, of
course, to no purpose : so, after consulting Briant, of Hertford, Dobson, of Downham, and others, the Dean and Chapter accepted the estimate of Thomas Mears, of the Whitechapel Foundry, for casting a new Great Tom and two quarter bells from the metal of the old bell and the six Lady bells, then hanging in the central tower; all of which were shipped off to London on June 23 rd, 1834.

The new Great Tom (measuring $82 \frac{1}{2}$ inches in diameter, and weighing 5 tons 8 cwt .) was cast on November i5th, 1834, and was brought to Lincoln by road, arriving there on Monday, April 3oth, 1835 , amid great rejoicings; and was hung in the central tower. The inscription on the new bell is as follows:-

SPIRITUS SANCTUS A PATRE ET FILIO PROCEDENS SUAVITER SONANS AD SALUTEM. ANNO DOMINI 1835 . MARTII 25 REGNI GULIELMI QUARTI BRITANNIARUM 5º [Below].

GEORGIUS GORDON, D.D. DECANUS, RICARDUS PRETYMAN, M.A. PRECENTOR, GEORGIUS THOMAS PRETYMAN, B.C.L. CANCELLARIUS, THOMAS MANNERS SUTTON, M.A. SUBDECANUS ET MAGISTER FABRICIF. THOMAS MEARS, LONDINI, FECIT.
(The same as abiove, but "In the year of our Lord 1835, March $25 t h$, In the fifth year of the reign of William the Fourth,
King of Great Britain. George Gordon, D.D., Dean; Richard
Pretyman, M.A., Precentor; George Thomas Pretyman, B.C.L.
Chancellor: Thomas Manners Sutton, M.A., Sub-Dean and
Master of the Fabric. Thomas Mears, founder, London.')
The two quarter bells were each inscribed THOMAS MEARS, FOUNDER, LONDON. 1835. In 1880 these were replaced by four bells arranged for the Cambridge quarters, inscribed as follows:-

First.
NOX NOCTI INDICAT SCIENTIAM. MARY SEELY ME FECI'T FIERI. ANNO DOMINI MDCCCLXXX.
("Night unto night sheweth knowledge. Mary Seely caused me to be made, A.D. 1880.')

Second.
DIES DIEI ERUCTAT VERBUM. NATHANIEL CLAYTON ME FECIT FIERI. ANNO DOMINI MDCCCLXXX.
("Day unto day uttereth speech. Nathaniel Clayton caused me to be made. A.D. 1880.') Third.
ME PROPRIO SUMPTU DENUO CONFLARI FECIT NATHANIEL CLAYTON, A.S. MDCCCLXXXO. VENIT HORA ET NUNC EST QUANDO MORTUI AUDIENT VOCEM FILII DEI.
("Nathaniel Clayton caused me to be recast at his own cost, in the year of Grace 1880. The hour cometh and now is when the dead shall hear the woice of the Son of God.") Fourth.
ME VOCE FRACTA MALE CONCINENTEM PROPRIO SUMPTU LIQUIFIERIET DENUO CONFLARI VOLUIT AELFREDUS SHUTTLEWORTH, A.S. MDCCCLXXXo. VIGILATE ET ORATE NESCITIS ENIM QUANDO TEMPUS SIT.
("Alfred Shuttleworth willsd that I, sounding badily with broken voice, should be melted up and recast, in the year of
Grace 1880. Watch and pray, for ye know not when the time is.'")
The largest of the four new quarter bells weighs 27 cwt. 2 qrs. 7 lbs. Before concluding the account of Great Tom I may say that the old bell was cast by Robert Newcombe and Henry Oldfield in a temporary foundry erected for the purpose in the Minster yard, and replaced a still older bell, which was somewhat lighter. A full account of all the correspondence between the Dean and Chapter and Briant, Dobson and others; as well as the proposals of
these founders relative to the old Great Tom, will be found in the late Mr. T. North's "Church Bells of Lincolnshire."

At this time there was a peal of eight, with a tenor $16 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in the south-west tower, the treble of which, being cracked, was recast by Mears in 1834 . Previous to this. the bells had not been rung for forty years. These bells were inscribed :-

## Treble.

THOMAS MEARS OF LONDON, FOUNDER, 1834. TREBLE OF 8. LINCOLN CATHEDRAL, HUGH STEEPLE, I834. GEO. GORDON, D.D. DEAN, RI. PRETYMAN, A. M. PRECENTOR, GEO. THOs. PRETYMAN, B.C.L. CHANCELLOR, T. MANNERS SUTTON, A.M. SUBDEAN.

## Second.

R. WILLIS DEAN is: IO. MANDEVILE CHANCELLOR © 5 IO. INETI CHANTOR 5 : 1702. IO. KNIGHTON SVBDEAN.

## Third, Fourth and Fifth.

The same as on the second. The fourth was recast in I895 and inscribed J. TAYLOR \& CO. FOUNDERS LOUGHBOROUGH, E. C. WICKHAM, DEAN, H. R. BRAMLEY, PRECENTOR, E. T. LEEKE, CHANCELLOR, J. CLEMENTS, SUBDEAN, W. F. J. KAYE, ARCHDEACON. RECAST. 1895.

Sixth.

##  <br> Seventh.

+Sum Rosa Pulsata Mundi Maria Vocata. 160 \% Tenor.

+ GOD SAVE THE CHVRCH OVR QVEENE AND REALME AND SEND VS PEACE IN CHRIBT AMEN 5. I593. O $\Gamma$ * [medallion of Robert Quernbe and Henry Oldfield as on Lady bells-also shield charged with letter R, a cross and bell, mark of Nottingham foundry, also a Tudor rose].

In igiz these bells were taken down and sent to the Loughborough foundry to be recast into a heavier peal. The new peali has a tenor weighing 23 cwt 3 qrs . 13 lbs . diameter $5 \mathrm{r} \frac{1}{2}$ in., and are inscribed as follows :-

Treble.
TE DEVM LIVDAMVS. ALEXANDER. Igr3. O. Second.
ALLELVIA, ALLELYIA, ALIELVIA. WORDSWORTH. 1913. O

## Third.

HOSANNA IN ALTISSIMIS. SANDERSON. 19Iz. O. Fourth.
BENEDICTVS QVI VENIT IN NOMINE DOMINI. BVRGHERSH. I913. O.

VIGILATE ET ORATE. SVTTON. 1913. O. Sixth.
GRATIAS AGAMVS DOMINO DEO NOSTRO. GROSTESTE. igi3. O.

Seventh.
SVRSVM CORDA. HVGH. 1913. O. Tenor.
GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO. REMIGIVS. 1913. O. The new bells were opened on Whitsun Eve, May ioth, 1913. Each bell bears Taylor's medallion, an "Agnus Dei," and "TAYLOR, LOUGHBORO'" enclosed by a wreath.

The old seventh and tenor were retained to be used as service bells.


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ST. LEONARD'S CHURCH, SHOREDITCH (Tenor $28 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.) CHELMSFORD PRO CATHEDRAL (Tenor 32 cwt .)

## ODD CHANGES.

The principal festival of the Church during July is St. James' Day, on the 25 th.

The peal of Kent Treble Bob Major rung at Pentre and recorded last week, was the first of Major in the method ever rung in South Wales. Royal has been rung, but it is not a little remarkable that, with all the peal ringing that is done nowadays, no peal of Kent Major had ever before been rung in the southern half of the Principality.

In connection with the appeal for funds for the restoration of Talland Church, a sum of $\mathscr{E} 25$ has been promised by the Duchy of Cornwall. This brings the total to $£ \mathrm{I} 35$ out of the $£ 350$ required. Contributions should be sent to Captain C. F. Jerram, Royal Marine Barracks, Plymouth.

Those who were disappointed at the meeting of the Central Northants Association at Isham in January by getting no ringing owing to a sudden case of illness near the tower, will be pleased to learn that a meeting will take place there on Saturday week. It has been privately arranged, but will be none the less welcome for that. Particulars will be found in our notices columns.

The peal of eight (tenor $2 \mathrm{I} \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in E flat) at Dalton-inFurness were dedicated by the Bishop of Carlisle on Friday. The bells, which are the product of Messrs. Warner and Sons' foundry, at Spitalfields, have been tuned on Canon Simpson's five-tone principle, and are hung, with all the most modern fittings, in a steel frame, in which provision has been made for two more bells.

The dedication of the bells of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, will take place on July 22nd by the Bishop of London. The bells will be either at the entrance to, or in the church, and will not be hung in the tower until after the ceremony, thus following the example of Surfleet in reviving the old custom of blessing the bells before they go up into the steeple. The four trebles have been recast and the whole peal of twelve tuned upon the Simpson principle. The work, as is, of course, well known, is in the hands of Messrs. Warner and Sons, of the Spitalfields Foundry.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY.

A successful quarterly meeting was held at Stafford, on Saturday last, when more than forty naembers assembled from various towers all the more satisfactory as the county town is situated somewhat out of the way from the populous district of the Black Country, where church towers (containing rings of bells) are more thickly studded. Beautiful weather prevailed, which tended in a great measure to make the gathering a happy one.

Ringing began soon after three o'clock, and continued during the afternoon, when some of the local band were able to take part in Grandsire Triples and Caters, and Stedman Triples-their first attempt, after having recently undergone a course of instruction. The Rev. L. Lambert (Rector) and Dr. Mitchell (churchwarden) visited the belfry, and gave the ringers a hearty welcome.
At the committee meeting, the Rector in the chair, the usual rou tine business was got through, including the election of one honorary and nine performing members.-A short service was held in church, when the Rector gave an interesting address, taking for his text "The calling of assemblies," Isaiah $\mathrm{i}, 13$.
After tea a summary of the business transacted in committee was given by the clerical secretary, followed by the usual votes of thanks. The visitors were then invited to a friendly game of bowls on the Rectory lawn, where the amateurs' efforts caused some amusement to the onlookers.-A return to the tower for more ringing ended a pleasant half-day's outing.
It is hoped by the authorities to bc able to turn their attention, ere long, to the much-needed rehanging of the bells at Stafford.

## SUSSEX AND KENT COMBINED.

## MEETING OF THE TWO ASSOCLATIONS AT RYE

The joint meeting of the Sussex Association (Tastern Division), the Kent Association (Ashfond District), and the Romney Marsh and Dis trict Guild, held at Rye, Sussex, on Saturday, was extremely successful, and brought together a. large assembly, proving that combined meetings of neighbouring associations, in places on the borders, not only show the good feeling existing between the members of the socities, but that much can be done thereby to uplift the tone of the ring ing. Twenty towers were represented, the company numbering nearly sixty, coming from Aldington, Appledore, Ashford, Battle, Benenden, Biddenden, Brabourne, Christ Church, Eastboune, Christ Chureh, Blacklands, Hastings, Hawkhurst, Mythe, Iden, Mersham, New Romney, Pevensey, Rolvenden, Rye, Salchurst, Stone-in-Oxney, and Tenterden.

The ringing consisted of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob and Kent Treble Bob Major, many touches being brought round. A course of Double Norwich was expectedl to have been attempted, but as several were obliged to leave by early train, it was impossible to practice that mothod. A party from Tenterden, Rolvenden and Benenden made use of the Iden tower in the afternoon, and rang several 120's of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, arriving at Rye in time for service
The Vicar (the Rev. A. P. Howes) officiated, and the organist (Mr. W. Sprigg Waiker) kindly presided at the organ. The hymns, "TWe love the place, O God," and "Praise my soul, the King of Heaven," were sung, and special lessons were read.

## TIE VICAR'S WELCOME.

In his address, the Vicar said he was glad to welcome so many of them that afternoon to that noble church with its beautiful peal of bells. He reminded them that bell ringers were an order of ministers, but they were not ordained for the office they held. They were ap pointed by the incumbent, and they regarded themselves as ministers of lower degree than the clergy, who were specially ordained for the work of the ministry. As time had gone on, bell ringers realised their position in the organisation of the church, hence they could look with thamkfulness on the bell ringing community. It was always a pleasure to meet bell ringers, and the work they did was highly appreciated. They did not come under the eye of the congregation in the execution of their work, but the sound of the bells went far and wide, conveying a message of invitation to worship, and now that the art of chango ringing had become universal, he considered they wanted encourage ment. He spoke of the only two allusions made to bells in the Bible and in conclusion reminded his hearers that they should practice reverence in performing their duties as bell ringers.

## BUSINESS MEETING.

After the service, tea was partaken of in the Monastery, by kind invitation of the Vicar, who presided. At the business meeting, severn] new members were admitted into the Sussex Association, and it was decided that the quarterly peal of the Eastern Division should be Stedman Triples at Rye, under the conductorship of Mr. Keith Hart, of Brighton.
The Romney Marsh Guikd resolved to meet at Aldington on the third Saturday in July, and the Rector (the Rev. Nunn) has consented to entertain the company to tea.

Mr. G. II. Howse moved a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for his address at the service, and for his generous hospitality.-Mr. C. Tribe seconded, and mentioned that the Rev. Canon Helmore, general secretary of the Kent Association, had intended to be present, but was prevental attending at the last moment.
In response to the vote of thanks, which was carried with applause, the Vicar said that ringers were a very united set of men. There was brotherly fecling existing among his own ringers, and he believed that was in general existence among the bell ringing community. It gave him great pleasure to entertain them that day.
After the meeting, a photograph of the party was taken on the Monastery lawn, and we hope to publish one shortly, probably next week.

Ringing was continucal until nine o'clock and everyone conchided that the mecting was a huge success.-The best thanks of the members is duc to Mr. G. Billenness for the excellent arrangements made by him for the pleasure and comfort of those attending the meeting.

## LADY RINGER'S WEDDING.

An interesting wedding was solemnised at Bradfeld Parish Church on Tuesday of last week between Miss Edith Vaughan and Licut. Charley, R.N゙

After the ceremony, touches of Minor and Doubles were rung by the local band (of which three are women), assisted by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, and Mr. A. E. Reeves, tho secretary

In the evening the bells were kept going merrily, with further toutches of Minor, and the most hearty good wishes were expressed for the future happiness of the bride, who is a general favourite, and who is one of the original band of the Bradifield women ringers.

## ANOTHER PEAL OF EIGHT FOR SUSSEX. <br> \section*{MEMORIAL BELLS AT MAYFIELD}

To commemorate the fifteen years' faithful service of the Rev. John Henry Reginald Kirby as Vicar of the parish, two treble bells have been added to the ring of six at St. Dunstan's Parish Church, Mayfielel, and Sussex thus possesses another octave, with a tenor over a ton. It is curious that, while in the county there are nearly a hundred peals of six and upwards, there are but ten where the tenor scales 20 cwt., and the heaviest that can be found is 26 cwt. Mayfickl's tenor is $21 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$., and the augmentation is a valuable acquisition to the peals of eight. The project came about through the desire of the parishioners to place on record their deep appreciation of the labours of their late Vicar, who, with his wife, had endeared himself to all sections of the community, and as Mr. Kirby had expressed the hope that no personal testimonial should be presented to him, it was decided to commemorate this services in a lasting form. The first proposal was to erect new and more ornate entrance gates, but funds came in so readily, from Nonconformists as well as Churchmen, that tho larger scheme of augmenting the bells was taken in hand, and the cost, £160, has been completely met. The dedication of the new bells was performed by the Archdeacon of Hastings, who preached an ap propriate sermon from the text, "There are, it may be, so many kinds of voices in the world, and none of them is without signification ${ }^{3}$ ( 1 Cor. xiv, 10).

A peal of Grandsire Triples was afterwards attempted, but unfor tunately came to grief, the ringers being: A. R. Miles (Mayfield) 1, G. H. Howse (Eastbourne) 2, H. R. Butcher (Rotherfield) 3, H. W Smith (Rotherfield) 4, C. Causley (Buxted) 5, E. Gower (Eastbourne) 6, A. J. Turner (Lewes) 7, J. Bagley (Mayfield) 8. The bells and their weights are as follow:-
Treble.-"Glory to God in the Highest"-Taylor, Loughborough, 1913 (weight 6 cwt.-Eb)
2.-"On earth, peace, goodwill toward men."-Taylor, Loughborough, 1913 (6. $\frac{1}{2}$.-D.).
3.-"The gift of John Baker, Esq., 1724. I. W. Fecit." (71. - C)
4.-"John Waylett made me, 1724. R.F., J.M., C.W." (9-Bb).
5.-.J. G., 1602 " (11.-Ab).
6.-"Brianus Eldredge, me fecit. W.W., R.W., 1629 " (1212.-G).
7.-"Cast by John Warner and Sons, London, 1893. Mr. John Sands John Merchant, Churchwardens. Peter Baker, D.D., Vicar. R. Phelps made me, 1712. Recast 1898. J. H. R. Kirby, Vicar. E. Coppard, J. B. Powell, Churchwardens "' (16-F).
8.-" Gloria in excelsis Deo.-Brianus Eldredge, me fecit. R.W $1630^{\prime \prime}\left(21 \frac{1}{2}-\mathrm{Eb}\right)$

## OLD DEVON BELLS RESTORED.

The fine old peal of bells of Burrington Parish Church, Devon, which date as far back as 1788, have been re-opened after rehanging, the ceremony being performed by the Lord Bishop of Crediton. In conjunction with the event, was held the annual festival of the Chulmleigh Deanery Bell Ringers' Association, and the day was made a redletter one for the parish, large numbers of people from the surrounding villages joining with the parishioners in the celebrations. The work of rehanging the peal has been carried out at a cost of about £131, by the firm of Messrs. Stokes and Son, of Woodbury, in a manner that has given every satisfaction. Parishoners and friends responded nobly to the appeal made for subscriptions to enable the work to be taken in hand, and up to the time of opening a sum of $£ 157$ had been raised. With the balance it is hoped to carry out some very necessary repairs to the historic tower. From an early hour in the morning and onwards at intervals through the day, the bells sounded in mery strain o'er the hills, the ringing being carried out by teams from the various parishes in the Chulmleigh Deanery. Those represcuted, in addition to the lacal ringers, were Lapford (2 sets); Atherington, High Bickington, Ashreigney, East and West Worlington, Chulmleigh, and Chawleigh.
An attendance of about 100 sat down to luncheon in the School oom, presided over by the Vicar (the Rev. M. D. Buckingham), who, after" the lojal toast had been honoured, proposed "Success to the Deanery Assaciation," which he was pleased to welcome to the parish for its festival. The Vicar referred to the work carried out in oonnection with the bells, which, he interestingly remarked, were cast. together wit'in those of Atherington and Landkey churches, by Pennington in Atherington Churchyard in the year 1788. Both Atherington nnd their bells were repaired in the samo year, 1884, while there was only one year's difference in the dates of their rehanging, the work at: Atherington having been undertaken last year

The Rev. H. A. Hill, hon. secretary of the Association, responded, and expressed the Association's pleasure at joining in the proceedings that day

The health of the Bishop of Crediton "was cordially received, and tho toasts of "The Contractors" and "The Chairman" were also honoured.
After the dedication by the Bishop, there was a public tea, which was largely attended.

Peal cards 1s. 1d. per dozen, post free. Order and remittance must acompany the peal when sent us for pubhioation.

## NOTICES.

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LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual meeting of this Guild will be held at Walton-on-the-Hill, Liverpool, on Saturday, June 28th. Full particulars by circular.-Rev. W. S. Bulpit and W. Bentham, Honorary Secretaries.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District.The next meeting will be held at Heston on Saturday, June 28th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea will be provided at 6 o'clock. All ringing friends are welcome. - H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Heston, Hounslow:

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The annual general meeting will be held at Warwick on Saturday, June 28th. Short service at St. Mary's at 4.45 p.m. Preacher, Rev. Canon Baillie. Committee meeting in Vestry at 4 p.m. Tea at the Globe Hotel, gd. per head, after service. Business meeting to follow. St. Mary's tower will be open at 3.30 p.m. and St. Nicholas' by arrangement. All subscriptions in arrears should be forwarded at once to the Treasurer.-Rev. C. C. Cox, Hon. Sec., Shottery.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION (South Western Division). The next meeting will be held at Hornchurch, on Saturday, June 28th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea and business meeting at the Bull Inn at $5 \cdot 30$. All ringers and friends invited.-H. Rumens, Hon. District Secretary, 32, Verulam Avenue, Walthamstow.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Luton District.-A meeting will be held at Dunstable on Saturday, June 28th, I9I3. Bells available from 3.30 p.m.A. King, Honorary Secretary, 6, Tavistock Crescent, Luton.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Division.--The next quarterly meeting will be held at I.yminster on Saturday, June 28 th. Bells available at 4 p.in. Tea at the Parish Room 5.30, by kind invitation of the Vicar. Business to follow.-H. Evans, Divisional Secretary, Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

A peal board commemorating the "John" peal of Stedman Cinques is to be unveiled at St. Giles' Church, Cripplegate, on Saturday, June 28 th, at 4 p.m. Ringers, and particularly members of the Waterloo Society, are invited to be present. The bells will be available until 6 p.m. Handbells, etc., afterwards at The Crown, Crown Court, Fleet Street.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

 -Established 1637 .-A district meeting will be held at Croydon on Saturday, July 5th. Ringing from 4 to 5 o'clock at St. John's, and from 6 to 8 o'clock at St. Peter's. By the kind invitation of Messrs. Johnston, tea will be provided at 5.30 p.m. in St. Peter's Hall for all who send their names to me by July ist. A social meeting will be held at 8 o'clock at the Greyhound Hotel.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch.-The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Moorside Church, Oldham, on Saturday, July 5th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Business meeting at 6.30 p.m. Business important. A good attendance is requested.-J. H. Bastow, Branch Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.The annual meeting will be held at Taunton on July 5th, 1913. Dinner in St. Mary's School, Church Square, at 1.30. Business meeting to follow. Service in. St. Mary's Church at 6 p.m. The following bells are available : St. Mary's (10) after r2 noon, St. James' (8), Wilton (6) all day.-E. E. Burgess, Secretary, 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.-The next meeting of this society will be held at North Wingfield on Saturday, July 5 th, and not, as arranged at the annual meeting, at Eckington on June 28th (the Eckington bells being uncompleted). Church of St. Laurence, 8 bells, tenor 16 cwt., available 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. A free tea will be provided, and members who intend being present are particularly requested to inform Mr. J. P. Tarlton, Hepthorn Lane, North Wingfield, of their intention, not later than June zoth. - J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, II, Havelock Street, Sheffield.

ISHAM, NORTHANTS. - A special ringing meeting will be held here on Saturday, July 5 th. Bells available at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., and a short service at 4.45 . Tea in the Rectory Grounds at 5 o'clock. Those wishing to have tea provided for them are requested to inform Mr. W. T. Wilson, Isham, of their intention to be present.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (Southern Branch).The next meeting will be held at Edenham on Saturday, July 5 th, bells (6) available all day, service in the church at 4 p.m. Tea will be provided at the Five Bells Inn at t. 45 p.m., business meeting following. It is hoped that ringers and friends will turn up in large numbers, and so make this meeting a very successful one. - S. Proctor, Secretary, $7^{2}$, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).-The quarterly meeting of the association will be held on Monday, July 7 th, at the church of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Bloomsbury, W.C. Tower open from 8 to 9.30 p.m. Business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.-F. J. Hardy, Honorary General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury District.-A meeting will be held at Ash-next-Sandwich, on Saturday, July I2th. Bells available from 3 p.m. All ringers and friends heartily welcome.-E. Trendell, Hon. Secretary, Worksop.

ORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - Summer quarterly meeting at Harworth, near Bawtry ( 6 bells), Saturclay, July r2th. Tea at 5 p.m. Tickhill ( 8 bells), by the kind permission of the Rev. H. E. Booty, will also be at the disposal of ringers during the day. Ladies and gentlemen of kindred associations will be heartily welcomed. A good attendance is desired. - H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary, Worksop.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.Bicentenary of bells at Goosnargh on July I2th. All members of the Preston Branch are invited by the Vicar of Goosnargh to attend on the above date. Service at 3.45Preacher, Rev. H. J. Elsee, President of the Association. Tea will be provided afterwards. The bells will be available before service from two o'clock, and after tea till 9 p.m. Members who intend being present must let me know by July 7th. - E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-dale.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual festival will be held at Wokingham, on Saturday, July igth. Service in the Parish Church at In.30. Preacher: the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey (President of the Cambridge University Guild of Change Ringers). Business meeting in the Church House at $\mathbf{1 2 . 2 0}$. Dinner in the Drill Hall at i.30. Dinner tickets at 2 s . 3 d . each (ale or minerals included) will be forwarded to those members only who send the money, with the order, to me on or before Saturday, July 12th. One Shilling will be refunded to each member present at the dinner, but members failing to send for their tickets must pay 2s. 3d. at the door and have no refund.Albert E. Reeves, Guild Secretary, 5, Fatherson Road, Reading.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. W. Latter, Honorary Secretary of the Tonbridge District of the Kent Association, has removed to if, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

## FOR SALE.

HANDBELLS.-Fine set of 44 for sale, with music specially arranged, with six stands, stick and tin trunk.Charles Barber, Littletown, Liversedge, Yorks.

## HOLIDAY APARTMENTS.

Having frequently had inquiries from ringers for information as to other members of the Exercise who have holiday apartments to let, we offer the use of our columns to those who cater for visitors at seaside and other resorts. Terms for insertion will be sent on application.

VISITORS TO BLACKPOOL will find every convenience at Mrs. E. Howarth's, 14, May Bell Avenue, Springfield Road, Blackpool, N.S.

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## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

## MEETING AT OAKHAM.

The first quarterly meeting of the year was held at Oakham, on Saturday last, and a very enjoyable time was spent by those who attended, the weather being all that could be desired, and the bells being a good peal of eight in first-rate ringing order. The one drawback to the belfry is the fact that no daylight can enter the ringing chamber. nor is there any ventilation other than by the door. Tea was partaken of in the Church Room, and afterwards the general meeting wis held, the vice-president (Mr. J. W. Taylor) taking the chair. Amongst others present were: The Rev. C. J. Sturton (Orston), Messrs. C. J. Phillips (churchwarden), W. C. Wakley (hon. treasurer), W. E. White (hon. secretary), J. J. Jackson, R. W. Baker, etc. The Vicar of Oakham (Rev. J. H. Charles) gave the company a hearty welcome, and was sorry that owing to a prior engagement he could not stay for the mecting.-One honorary and twelve ringing members were unanimously elected.-The Chairman briefly reviewed the peals rung since the annual meeting ( 25 on tower and five on handbells), and drew attention to the pcal of St. Clement's Triples rung at Darloy Dale, which was the first in the method by the Association. He also gave a short account of the recent meeting of the Central Council at New-castle-on-Tyne.

Thanks were accorded to the Oakham ringers for making the arrangements, and to the clergy and churchwardens for the use of the bells and churchroom.-Replying, on behalf of the clergy and churchwardens, Mr. C. J. Phillips said they were pleased to welcome the Association to Oakham, and to do all they could to make the meeting a suocess. With respect to the lighting and ventilating of the ringing room, he would bring the question before the Church Council, and he hoped they would be able to do something to remedy the defects in the near future.

An adjournment was then made to the tower, where the company, having been reinforced by Mr. J. II. Shepherd, the bells were inspected, and touches rung in various methods until about 8.30 .

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

ULVERSTON.-On April 27th, at the Parish Church, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor (18 bobs and two singles). Also 120 Bob Minor: T. R. Jackson 1, J. Huddleston 2, T. Watson 3, T. Suart 4, T. King (conductor) 5, J. Burrows 6. T. King hails from London, and the rest from Dalton-in-Furness.
BOLTON, BRADFORD, YORKS.-At St. James' Church, on April 2 th, 1008 Stedman Triples, in 38 mins. : A. Ainge 1, S. B. Norfolk 2, F. Palframan 3, A Gill 4, J. Palframan 5, F. Hopwood 6, B. E. Howe (conductor) 7, S. Palframan 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to S . Palframan and J. Nichols.
LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.-At the Parish Church, recently, for evening service, 518 Stedman Cinques.-On April 20th, for morning service, 789 Stedman Cinques, and for evening service, 921 Stedman Cinques: W. Woodhead 1, A. Naylon 2, H. Tomlinson 3, J. Hutchinson 4, H. Lnckwood 5, J. Teale 6, J. Matthews 7, G. Mehale 8, G. Tingle 9, F. Barker 10, W. Ash (conductor) 11, H. Smith 12.
TARNHAM ROYAL, BUCKS.-On May 4th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples: J. Sinuwings 1, J. J. Parker 2, W. H. Fussell 3, G. Basden 4, J. Elderfield 5, H. Barton 6, J. Bavington 7, W. Clarke 8
BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.-At All Soul's Churoh, on May 4th, for afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: F. Markland 1, A. Holden 2, J. Nuttall 3, T. Knowels 4, P. Nuttall 5, G. Pincott 6, W. Pennington (conductor) 7, J. E. Markland 8.
UPPTR CLAPTON.-On May 4th, for evening service, a date touch of Grandsire Triples, in 62 mins,: C. F. White 1, H. J. Sudell 2, H. J. King 3, O. Gray 4, H. J. Clantor 5, W. J. Kemp (conductor) 6, S. H. R. Cooper 7, S. S. Dunwell 8.

COLCHESTER-At St. Peter's Church, in commemoration of St. George's Day, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1280 changes): Messrs. G. W. Dixon 1, H. T. Pye 2, F. L. Bumpstead 3, G. Burch 4, H. Evers 5, ©. Hull 6, W. Chalk 7, W. J. Schofield (conductor) 8. Also 1088 in the same method, with R. W. Stannard 7, the rest as before; 504 and 672 Grancieire Triples, conducted by R. W. Stannard; 224 and 560 Bob Major, conducted by W. Chalk; and 576 Oxford Treble Bob, W. Kemp also taking part.
OLENT, WORCESTIERSHIRE.-On Sunday, May 4th, for evening service, a 720 of Bob Minor, by: W Shilvock 1, G. Popnell 2, C. Boughton 3, F. Breakwell 4, C. Sheriff 5, J. Barber (oonductor) 6.

SELSTON, NOTTS.-On May 4th, at the Parish Church, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: J. Dobbs 1, W. J. Sevier (conductor) 2, T. Tharmley 3, C. Cottam 4, A. Elliott 5, W. Wharmley 6.
BOLSOVER.-On April 29th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: R. Coupe 1, F. W. Bemrose (first 720) 2, G. W. Bemrose 3, G. Mason 4, T. Riley 5. J. Flint (conductor) 6.-On May 4th, for evening service, 720 Bob Major: T.Riley 1, A. V. Moore 2, J. Moss 3, F. W. Bemrose 4, C. Mason 5, J. Flint 6, R. Coupe 7, G. W. Bemrose (conductor) 8.

Weston Favelfu-Central Northants Association.-On May 5th, at St. Peter's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1260 changes), each six-score called differently: W. Law 1, C. Haines 2, W. T. Law 3, A. Richardson 4, T. Law (conductor) 5. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3 rd, it being his first quarter-peal.
WALKDEN, LANCASHIRE. - On April 30th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: A. Wallwork (Pendlebury) 1, J. Worthington 2, A. Potter 3, J. Welsby 4, S. Oakes 5, Jas. Denner 6, John Potter (conductor) 7, A. Burton 8. Rung, with the bells deeply muffled, for the funeral of Mrs. Barlow, who has been connected with the church for over 60 years.-On May 4th, for evening service, a quarterpenl of Stedman Triples in 45 mins.: J. Potter (conductor) 1, T. Barlow 2, A. Potter 3, T. Worsley 4, J. Welsley 5, M. Berry 6, Jos. RidTard 7, A. Burton 8. Rung for the Sunday School Anniversary.

BATH.-At St. Sawiour's Church, for evening service, on Ascension Day, and as a birthday compliment to the conductor, 1260 of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins.: "Joey" Bell 1, John Taylor' 2, Charles Goodenough 3, James Fusseli 4, Freds. C. Rich 5, Charles Densley 6, Chas. W. Bell (conductor) 7, H. Merrett 8.

DARGATE. - On Sunday, April 20th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Roy Trendell 1, E. Trendell 2, Cyril Hadlow 3, E. E. Foreman 4, F. Elsey 5, A. Bones (conductor) 6, H. Gilbert 7, P. Price 8.
WISBECTI-At the Parish Church, for morning service, on April $201 \mathrm{~h}, 720$ Bob Minor, tenor covering: T. Banham 1, H. Piggins 2, T. Haines 3, H. Banham 4, G. Piggins 5, R. Narborough (conductor) 6, II. Cheesewright 8. First 720 on tower bells.

IIILTINGDON, WFST. On Sunday evening, April 20th, at St. Andrew's Church, 1260 Oxford Bob Triples: K. G. Hawhins 1, P. E. Joues ' 2, H. Waite 3, G. M. Gutteridge 4, H. Gosden 5, J. J. Pratt (conductor) 6, R. Carter 7, W. Foster 8.
TONBRIDGE.-On Sunday, April 20th, for Divine service, a quarterpeal of Stedman Triples ( 1260 changes), in 47 mins.: C. Cooke 1, G. IH. Stonestreet 2, Joc Milner 3, A. Laurence 4, A. E. Headey 5, W. Steed 6, S. J. Perkins, junr. (conductor) 7, S. Corke 8. This was arranged for Mr. Perkins, of Tunbriclge Wells, who was sailing for Boston, U.S.A.

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## St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton.

Tenor ( 33 cwt.) of the New Ring of 12. WULFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON,
MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, OROYDON. 4th March, 1912. Gentlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to asy how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,

Architect, Diocesan Burveyor.

## BUSY FOUNDRIES.

The augmentation and restoration of bells seems to be going on all over the country at even greater pace than ever. All the principal founders are extremely busy and in this issue we publish reports of quite a number of dedication services which have taken place within the last week or so. One very gratifying feature of all this work is that in most cases the existing numbers of bells are being increased; fives are being made into sixes, sixes increased to octaves, and eights enlarged to tens. Ringers in that progressive little association operating in the Llandaff diocese will doubtless learn with infinite pleasure that another ring of ten is to be placed in their midst. Hitherto the only tower containing that number has been St. John's, Cardiff. Now, owing to the generosity of various donors, St. Woolos, Newport, is to have a similar peal, the old eight being recast and two trebles added. Hitherto ringers in South Wales have had but limited opportunities for ringing on ten, and this addition should do not a little to advance the practice on higher numbers in the southern half of the principality.

There is, however, even a greater satisfaction to be got from the activity now prevailing in the bell foundries. It used to be a reproach that things connected with the belfry -bells and ringers alike -have been the last consideration of the church authorities. A happy change has come over the scene in regard to ringers, and, with it is undoubtedly fast coming a fuller recognition of the value and importance of the bells themselves as church property. Where, formerly, they were allowed to hang in a state of disrepair, when their condition was such that they could be no longer rung, now, with the ringers in close touch with the authorities, whose sympathy they have, the bells receive the attention and care which, as valuable instruments, they ought to be given. And when bell hangers are called in, it is only natural that the ringers should use their endeavours to get the peals increased if possible. Thus the general awakening is having beneficial effects all round, and we hope that the "boom" that just at present exists in the bell founding world will continue to the adrantage of the Church and the ringers, and incidentally to the benefit of the bell founders themselves. The great activity that is prevailing is undoubtedly a sign of the times, which are imbued with a spirit of progress, and, as ringers, we ought to be and are devoutly thankful. And may we not very rightly attribute a good deal of the increase in peal ringing to all this bell restoration. New rings are springing into existence, old ones are being rehung. They all add to the opportunities for peals.

# CHARLES CARR, 



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## TEN BELL PEAL.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, June 28, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Miuntes, At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5219 CHANGES;
Tenor $24 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
George Hollis ... ... ...Tveble | Thomas Morray ... ... 6
Samuel Wesley $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ Arthur Knights...
William Lambert ... ... 3 Ernest J. Oliver ... ... 8 George W. Bemrose ... 4 Benjamin A. Knights ... 9 Fred Davies ... ... ... 5 John Flint ... ... ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by Arthor Knights.
First peal on ten bells by T. Murray who hails from Egremont, Cheshire.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

ORMESBY.
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Monday, June 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt .
 William Holmes ... ... 4 *Campion Hanson ... ...Tenor Composed by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, and

Conducted by Thomas Metcalfe.

* First peal in any method and first attempt. + First peal in the method. This is the first peal for this Association in which a lady has taken part, and great credit is due to Miss Lumley for the way in which she rang her bell throughout the peal, she never making a single mistake. It was the first time that she had rung changes on seven bells. Rung in honour of the anniversary of the Coronation of King George V ; also in honour of the Prince of Wales' birthday, and as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the and and 5 th. The peal was arranged for the ringers of the treble and 5 th who were spending a short holiday in the district.

FRANLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Monday, June 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Mimutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 GHAHGES ;
Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lbs.

| William Ostler... ... | ...Tveble | John C. Self... | ... | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Robert H. Hayward | $\ldots$ | 2 | William Burgess... | .. | 6 |

$\begin{array}{ll}\ldots & 2 \\ \ldots & 3\end{array}$
William Flory ..

| $\cdots$ | 3 | $W$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\cdots$ | 4 | $G$ |

Willodghby E. Matlden 7
Hobart E. Smith
Composed by Arthur Kivights, and
Conducted by George E. Symonds.
Rung in honour of the birthday of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales. W. E. Maulden hails from Guildford.

WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Monday, June 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the Chorch of St. Luke,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor io cwt. Charles Bailey... ... ...Treble | William Brant ... ... 5 Richard Dunn ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ George Claybrook ... 6
 Andrew Jones ... ... ... 4 Charles Darby ... ... Tenor

Conducted by A. Fallon
Rung to celebrate the 6oth birthday of the Rev. W. T. Milligan, M.A., vicar of the parish.

## BUSHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Chorch of St. James,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

$$
\text { Tenor } 13 \mathrm{cwt} \text {. }
$$

| Thomas R. Scott | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Treble | Bertram Prewett ... | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William Seeley | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Frederick Edwards | .. |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Christopher Murray | $\ldots$ | 3 | Francis A. Smith ... | .. | 7 |
| Richard Darlow | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 4 | Robert E. Stavert | ... |

Composed by Arthor Knights, and
Conducted by Robert E. Stavert.
Arranged for Mr. C. Murray, who hails from Dublin.

## HALEWOOD, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, June 26, 1913, in Three Howrs and Four Minnites, At the Cherch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;
John Roberts ... ... ...Treble $\mid$ George R. Newton ... 5 Thomas Jennion ... ... 2 *William Twist ... ... 6 Edifard Cadice ... ... 3 Thomas Murray ... ... 7 †james R. Griffin ... ... 4 William Davies ... ...Tenor

Composed and Conducted by George R. Newton.
*First peal of Major. $\dagger$ First peal in the method.

NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Taylor's.

- Herry Morgan .. ...Treble benjamin Thorp Joseph E. Sykes Joseph E. Sykes
${ }^{\bullet}$ First peal.

WIVELISCOMBE, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, June 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Mimates, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

> Holt's Original.

Tenor $23 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Albert Tout ... ... ...Tyeble Henry J. Creed
... 2
Rev. E. V. Cox … $\cdots$.. 5 Robert Scott . Edwin Chapman...

Tenor 15 cwt .
John Butler ... ... 5 Frederick Atwell ... 6 John W. Jones ... ... 7 Frederick Stanbury ....Temoy njamin Thorp. ... ... 4 Isaac Creed ... ... ... 7 William D. White $\quad$...Tenoy Conducted by the Rev. E. V. Cox. After the peal the band expressed the usual birthday compliment to T. Creed.

UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Western Branch.)
On Saturday, June 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Parish Cborce,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Changes; Holt's Ten-Part.
*Charles Young ... ...Tveble †William Ranford... $\dagger$ William Niblett ... ... 2 Frederick Bryan ... ... 3 Robert G. Knowles ... 4 Wdgar Manning $. . . \quad . . .7$ Conducted by Robert G. Knowles. * First peal on eight bells. $\dagger$ First peal of Triples.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(Leicester Branch.)
On Saturday, June 28, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes. At the Chorch of St. Thomas,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES:

 Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.| William Willson $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | Edgar Vallance ... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Miss Hilda Wilison | $\ldots$ | 2 | H. Edward Norman |  |


| *Miss Hilda Willson | ... | 2 | H. Edward Norman | ... | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thomas Vallance | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | -Albert H. Bell ... | $\ldots$ |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Thomas Vallance } & . . & . . & 3 & \text { 'Albert H. Bell ... ... } 7\end{array}$ Wm. H. Inglesant ... ... 4 E. Maurice Atkins ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by E. M. Atrins.

* First peal in the method and first attempt. Mr. Bell kindly stood in after the band had met a man short. Rung for St. Thomas' garden fête. It was the conductor's 150 th peal.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 28, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of St. Ladrence,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES:


Composed by Arthur Knights, and
Conducted by Nevilee H. Widdowson.
MARKET DRAYTON, SHROPSHIRE.
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.
On Suturday, Jtue 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Chances;

| Hollis' Irregular | Frv | Tenor 17 cwt . |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Prrcy Bentley... ... | ...Treble | Joseph Clarke |  |
| Charles R. Lil | 2 | William Weatherby |  |
| Thomas Tidor | ... 3 | William Saunders |  |
| Alfred Coton | .. 4 | George Hall | ..Tenor |

*First peal. The ringers of the treble, 3rd, 4 th, 5 th, and tenor were proposed members of the above guild before starting for the peal. Rung on the eve of St. Peter's Day; also on the anniversary of Queen Victoria's Jubilee.

## SCARBOROUGH, YORKSHIRE.

THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, June 28, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Ten-Part Tenor 2I cwt. I qr. 23 lbs . Harry Gibson ... ... ...Treble George F. Alexander... $5_{5}$ Herbert Milener... $\operatorname{lin}^{2}$ Thomas Metcalfe... ... 6 James B. Budd ... ... ... 3 John R. Barton ... ... 7 William Harland ... ... 4 Frank Davison ... ...Tenor Conducted by T. Metcalfe.
Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar of Scarborough, the Rev. H. H. Cooper, M.A., whose induction took place at the close of the peal.

## LINDFIELD, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Tune 28, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF Stedminn triples, 5040 changes;
Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 2 r 年 cw .
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { Albert D. Stone } \ldots . . . \text { Treble }^{2} & \text { Oliver Sippetts } & \ldots & . . . & 5 \\ \text { Frederick Protherough... } & 2 & \text { Alpred J. Turner ... } & . . & 6\end{array}$
Richard Holder $\quad . . \quad$... 3 Keith Hart $\quad$......$\quad$... 7
Richard Stredwick ... ... 4 George Tomsett ... ...Tenor
Conducted by Keith Hart.

WELLS, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WEILLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, June 28, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Cuthbert,
a Peal of crandsire triples, 5040 changes;

Hollis' One-Part.
Tenor 28 cwt .
Arthur K. Harrison... ...Treble
Isaac B. Holmyard ... ... 2 A. Martin Daniel ... ... 3

Walter Fabley - .... 3

## Henry J. Trim ... ... 5

 Gilbert H. Harding ... 6 Fred. G. Leaker... ... 7 Samuel J. Hector ...TenorConducted by F. G. Leaker.
F. G. Leaker was elected a member of the association before starting for the peal

EPSOM COMMON, SURREY.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, June 28, 1913, in Tivo Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At Christ Church.

## A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 50ß0 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
John N. Oxborrow ... ...Treble Herbert Lavgdon ... ... 2 Henry S. Ellis... ... ... 3
Challis F. Winney... ... 4

Tenor ir ${ }^{3}$ cwt.
James Willshire ... ... 5 Richard Kendall ... ... 6 Alfred B. Peck ... ... 7
William Cropley ... ...Tenor A. В. Реск.

BADSEY, WORCESTERSHIRE,
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Southern Branch.)
On Saturday, June 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves' Variation of Parker's Tivelve-Part

Louis Sparrow ... ... ...Treble
Hrrbert Jordan ... ... ... 2 Frank Cook ... ... ... 6
Joscelin M. Turner ... ... 3 James Addis ... ... ... 7
Fred Jordan

Conducted by Frank Coor.
LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, June 28, 1913. in Thyce Hours and Tuenty-seven Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Patl,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES ; Tenor 23 cwt ., in D . flat.

Arther Symonds William Hevett Isaac Emery
... ...Treble
... .... ..

2 Wilby bennett Hazell ...
...

Composed by C. Middletoron, and
Conducted by Frank Bennett.
First peal in the method on the bells.

## HADLEIGH, SUFFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sunday, June 29, 1913, in Three. Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
a peal of supenlative gunumee major, 5184 chamges ; Tenor 28 cwt., ir D flat.


| Isaac Emery | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | James E. Davis... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Iames Motts | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Alfred W. Grimes | $\ldots$ | Composed by Henry Dains, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.

First peal of Surprise on the bells. The band take this opportunity o thank the Vicar of Lavenham, and the Very Rev. the Dean of Bocking for the use of the bells, the latter gentleman putting off a service to allow the attempt to be made; also Messrs. Symonds and Reed for having everything in readiness.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sunday, June 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Fiftr-five Minates, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES ;
Tenor 12 cwt. o qr. 9 lbs.
David Collins ... ... ...Treble Hobart E. Smith
Willoughby E. Mablden 2 William Flory
Leslie C. Wightman ... 3 William Burgess
George A. Wightman ... 4 George E. Symonds $\quad$.... 7 enor Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by George E. Symonds.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

MOÑKS ELEIGH, SUFFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sunday, May 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minntes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 GNANCES ;

Being seven 720 's each called differently.
"Harry Whymark ... ...Tyeble Arthur Kebble
${ }^{*}$ William Grimes...
Victor Cornell ... ... 3 William Stiff... ... ...Tenor Conducted by W. Stiff.

* First peal. Messrs'. Grimes and Cornell hail from Hadleigh and St. Waldingfield respectively.

TARRINGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, June 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes, At the Church of SS. Phillip and James,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.
A. Vernall...$\quad$...... Treble $\mid$ S. Bowen ......
J. Edwards, Junr. ... ... 2 T. Williams $\quad . .$. R. Longuille ... ... ... 3 G. Evesham ... ... ...TTenor Conducted by T. Williams.
First peal ever rung on the bells. First peal by all the band, except the conductor, who came from Ledbury. Rung as a farewell to Mr . S. Bowen, who was leaving the tower for another district.

## PENGE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, June 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Evangelist,

## A PEAL OF MIMOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Canterbury Pleasure and two 720 's each of Plain Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr .
Ernest Tigwell ... ...Tveble | Henry Brown... ... ... 4 *Albert Bradley ... ... 2 Frank J. Keech Henry D. Reader ... ... 4 George Wickens ... ... Tenoy Conducted by G. Wickens.

* First peal and first peal in four methods on the bells. Rung in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. G. Wickens.


## WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

THE JOONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Tuesday, June 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Church cf St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES ;
Being two 720's of Oxford Bob, two of College Single, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor ro cwt.
*Arthur French ... ...Treble Gabritl Chalkley ... 4 George M. Kilby ... ... 2 | †Richard Kilby ... ... 5 Walter G. Matthews ... 3 | Thomas Langdon ... ...Tenor Conducted by Thomas Langdon.

* First peal. † First peal of Minor inside. Kung as a birthday compliment to the Vicar's son, also in honour of the wedding of Mr. Frederick Seer, one of the local ringers.

ELSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCFSAN GUILD.
On Satuday, June 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF INOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 changes each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double and Single Oxford, College Single Reverse, Single Court and Plain Bob. Tenor io cwt.
 Conducted by Sidney Proctor.

- First peal in seven methods. First peal in seven methods as conductor. First peal on the bells, which have recently been rehung by Messis. Taylor \& Co, the " go " and tone being excellent.


## GREAT ADDINGTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

TIIE CLENTRAL, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Suturday, Juue 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of All Saints.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCE8;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor.

- John T. Ball ... ... ...Tyeble William J. Gilbert ... 4 *William Hayo... ... ... 2 James B. Hudson ... ... 5 Francis J. Ball ... ... 3 |†Walter Gilbert ... ...Tenor Conducted by Walter Gilbert.
* First peal in seven methods. $\dagger$ First peal in seven methods as conductor. Fung as a welcome to the new Rector (the Rev. D. H. Meggy) ; also as a birthday compliment to William J. Gilbert.

BURGH, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Botolph,

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

Being seven 720's of Oxford, each called differently.
Ernest G. Cooper ... ...Tyeble | Charles E. Fisher ... 4 George R. Finch ... ... 2 David LegGett ... "Charles Abliti ... ... ... 3 | George Ablitt ... ...Tenor

Conducted by Charles E. Fisher.

* First peal with a bob bell.

GLASBURY, BRECONSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, June 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF dOUbles, 5040 Chances;
Being 2I Six-Scores of Canterbury Pleasure and 21 of Grandsire, I8 different callings. Tenor 15 cwt .
Brychan Jones... ... ...Tvelle James P. Hyett ... ... 4
 Conducted by E. R. Jones.
*First peal in two methods. † First peal. First peal as conductor in two methods. Rung on, and in honour of St. Peter's Day. The ringers were afterwards entertained to tea by Mr. and Mrs. Jones, of Great House, to whom they wish, through the medium of the "Ringing World,' to tender their best thanks.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

WISBECH, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, June 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Five Minstes, At York Villa,

## A PEAL OF BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Stanley E. Andrews ... i-2 | Thomas Haines ... ... 3-4
Ralph Narborough ... 5-6
Conducted by Ralpi Narborough.
Umpire: George Yate. Witness: Arthor War. Narborough.

## LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On. Weduesday, June 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes, In the Belfry of SS. Peter and Paul's Church,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 GHANGES;

| *Miss Bell Symonds | $\ldots$ | I | Miss Ethel Reed... ... 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arthur Symonds... | $\ldots$ | 2 | Stedian H Symonds |

 Composed by F. E. Meadows, and

Conducted by S. H. Symonds.

* First peal. This is the first peal in which a lady has rung in the Ely Diocese. Miss Reed and Mr. Robinson belong to Hadleigh, Suftolk.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes, In the Parish Rooms,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;
Willoughby E. Maulden I-2 | George E. Symonds ... 5 - 6 Hobart E. Smith ... ... 3-4 Willian Flory ... Composed by F. Hopgood, and Conducted by George E. Symonds. Umpire: Stanley Clarke.
No. 32 in the C.C. Collection. Rung in honour of the umpire's birthday.

## LEICESTER

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,
In the Belfry of St. John the Divine's Church,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR; 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 size, in $C$.

| Edgar Vallance | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | I-2 | E. Maltice Atkins... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Willson | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $3-4$ | H. -6 |


Composed by W. Sottanstali, and Conducted by E. M. Atkins.
This peal, in one part, has $2,3,4,5$ and 6 in consecutive order in 6th's place.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, June 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Folty-nine Minutes,
At i29, Bronswick Street, Haggerston,
A PEAL OF STEDMAH GATERS, 5019 CHRMGES;
James Hunt ......
William Pye ... ... 3-4 | Ernest Pye ......
Alfred IV. Grimes ... ... 9-10
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by. William PYe, Umpire: T. King.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
(St. James' Clerkenwell Society.)
On Friday, June 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,
At 7b, Peabody Buildings, Farringlon Road, E.C.,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Ten different callings.
George C. Rogers ... ... I | George T. Green ... ... 3
William A. J. Goomman... 2 Chas. J. W. Alderion... 4 - Albert E. Millett... ... 5-6

Conducted by A. E. Millett.
Witness: Ernest V. Millett.

* First peal as conductor. First handbell peal by all.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, June 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Residence of A. H. Pulling,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5055 CHANGES;
Miss Elsie L. Bennett I-2 | Maurice Smither...


Henry L. Garfath ... ... 9-io
Composed by G. LindofF, and
Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.
Umpires: S. Radford, C. Hazelden.
Witnesses: Mrs. Pulling, Mrs. Hazelden, and Mdlle. Yvonne Eloie-Leloue.

## FYLINGDALES, YORKS.

THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, June 29, 1913, in One Hour and Fifty-five Minutes,

## In the Belfry of St. Stephen's Church,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

George F. Alexander... I-2|*Mervyn Duck

## Albert Coates <br> Conducted by G. F. Alexander. <br> Witness: George Pattenden.

*First peal on two inside bells. Rung on meeting short for Bob Major.

## THE KENT ASSOCIATION.

## UNAVAILING EFFORTS TO RE-OPEN SEVENOAKS TOWER.

A well-attended meeting of the Tonbridge district was held at Tonbridge. The Rev. - McNeil officiated at the service, and gave an excellent address. The members then adjourned to the Castle Grounds where an excellent meat tea, to which upwaxds of 70 sat down, was provided by the kindness and generosity of Miss Leny, who, to the great delight of the members, was able to be with them again. The Rev McNeil presided, and at the conclusion of the tea, the District Secre tary (Mr. W. Latter), in proposing a rote of thanks to Miss Leny, said he knew he was voicing the wish of the members in expressing their great pleasure in welcoming Miss Leny amongst them again after her severe illness He had loped that that meeting would have been held at Sevenoaks, for when Miss Leny went to reside there, she said that her great object would be to get the Sevenoaks tower open to the Association. Early in the jear, Miss Leny and her sister, Mrs. Mackinnon, saw the Rector of Sevenoaks by appointment, and they no doubt eloquently pleaded the cause, and explained the objects of the Association. The Rector promised to consider the matter, and a week or two later sent the following letter to Miss Leny: "My dear lady,I think for the present that St. Nicholas' belfry had better be left alsne; perhaps some day we may be able to see our way clearer as regards the Association. With many thanks, I am, most truly yours, J. Rooker.

The District Secretary said he could not understand why the reverend gentleman should be so embittered against them, and also why he should refuse the opportunity of speaking to a body of men such as were present that day. He was very sorry for Mise Leny and Mrs. Mackinnon, as he took it that they had been snubbed for the members' sake, and he was sure that the members thanked thern very much for tileir efforts to get the meating at Sevenoaks.

Miss Leny, in replying, expressed the great pleasure it gave her to again meet the members, and she wished to personally thank them for the handsome broach they had presented to her. She was rery pleased with it, and always wore it when in company with ringers. Referring to her interview with the Rector of Sevenoaks, she said it Wis the first time that she had been refused admittance to a belfry, and she was very corry that they were not successful in getting the tower, but if the members would like to come to Sevenoaks next summer without ringing, she would be pleased to entertain them at Speldhurst Close.

Votes of thanks to all concerned in arranging and carrying out the meeting, to which Mr. W. J. Wolfe replied, terminated the meeting, and the members adjourned to the tower, where the bells were kept going until 9.30.-Mr. Wrolfe read letters of apology for non-attendance from both churchwardens.

BEESTON.-On Dunday, April 6th, a quarter-peal of Superlative Surprise Major: W. Clifford, senr., 1, A. Coppock (conductor) 2, F. S. Price 3. W. Ayre (first quarter in the method) 4, J. C. Dicken 5, W. Cliftord, junr., 6, E. J. Boot 7, P. Price 8.-On April 7th, 832 Norfolk Surprise: J. Woolley 1, A. Coppock (conductor) 2, W. Gifford, senr., 3, F. S. Price 4, J. C. Dicken 5, W. Myre 6, E. J. Boot 7, P. Price 8.

## THE WINCHESTER GUILD.

## THE ANNUAL FES'IIVAL

As briefly recorded in our last issue. the annual meeting of the Winchester Diocesan Guild was held in the Cathedral City on Monday of last week, and was exceedingly successful, in interesting fact about the gathering being the presence of at least two of those who, 33 years before, had been responsible for the formation of the Guild, viz., the Rev. A. Du Boulay Hill, of Bridgford, Notts, and Canon Madge, of Stoke Oharity. A very large number of towers were represented, and during the day the fine peal of bells at the Cathedral were: available for ringing. The business meeting took place in the afternoon in St. Maurice Hall, Mr. J. P. Stilwell, J.P. (president) occupyingthe chair, supported by the Master (the Rev. C. E. Matthews), and hon. treasurer (the Rev. W. E. Colchester), and the hon. secretary. (Mr. George Williams).

PLENTY OF TOWERS FOR PEAL RINGING.
The report and balance sheet were presented and adopted! The former stated that the year 1912 might be considered on the whole as very satisfactory The number who had paid contributions for the year were:-Honorary members, 76; full, 622; probationers, 115; life, 1 ; and compourding, 2. The balance sheet, although showing rather less to carry forward than last year, was also satisfactory, as $£ 10$ had been transferred to the special purposes fund. It was hoped that individual members in the various districts would do their wery best to help in arrangiug any extra meetings that might be suggested from time to time for combined practices, or for attempting peals in what: was considered the more isolated towers-and they had a good number in the Diocese that required looking after-for the purpose of educating them up to the advantages to be obtained by becoming members of their Guild, as these meetings were bound to prove educational in the long run. Yorktown district reported no less than 17 combined practices and cycle runs, independently of their official meetings, while the Guildford district was going as strong as ever, having commandeered almost every tower in the district. It was hoped that the peal recordswould be spread over a wider area another year, as there were plenty of towers available for peal ringing, if only the committee could find a few more enthusiasts to help arrange in making up bands. A quarterly peal at least should be arranged officially for each district, for the purpose of giving young hands an opportunity to ring a peal, whereas some now never got a chance. They might congratulate themselves that bell restoration in the Diocese kept going ahead. The belles of St. Thomas', Portsmouth, and Holy Trinity, Guildford, had been rehung, and those at St. Nicolas', Guildford, were being taken in hand, and a peal of eight had been ordered for St. Mary's, Southampton. where a new tower was nearing completion (applause)
In proposing the re-election of the President, the Master, on behalf of the Guild, extended a hearty welcome to Mrs. Stilwell and Mr. J. B. Stilwell.-The motion was carried with acclamation, and the Rev. C. E. Mathews was then re-elected Master.

The Rev. C. E. Matthews, in acknowledging his re-election, referred to the fact that the preacher at the afternoon service was to be the Rev. A. Du Bollay Hill, who was a Master at Winchester College in 1879, and was practically the founder of the Guild. He (the speaker) held in his hand the first report of the Diocesan Guild, published in 1888. There were then seven towers, with 52 performing members, 47 honorary members, and four unattached members. To-day, after 33: years, they had 89 towers in union, with 116 honorary and 878 performing members (applause).
The re-election of the Rev. W. E. Colchester as hon. treasurer, of
Mr. Williams as general secretary, Mr. HI. White as alititor and Mr T. W. Fairey as recorder of peals, was also ahite as auditor, and Mr. well was elected a life member, and it was stated that in the Guild there were eight members of the Stilwell family who were life members (applause). Mr. Alexander Young, A.R.I.B.A., was elected an unattached honorary member, and Mrs. George Williams and Mr. J. D. Drewett members.

## TO WELCOMT THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The Master next gave the meeting a short digest of the proccedings at the annual meeting of the Central Council at Newcaslle, stating that the Winchester Diocesan Guild took a very good place in the peals analysis. The Norwich Diocesan Association was first, Middlesex County second, andi Winchester Guild third. That he added, was largely due to the work of the Guildford district on handbells. Twenty ladies took part in 109 peals, and knowing the position that Miss Alice White, of Basingstoke, occupied as President of the Ladies' Guild, the meeting would not be curprised at tho strong line that he (the speaker) took with reference to the Ladies' Guilá' being represented on the Central Council (applause). A debate ensued on the attitude of the general public towards ringing, and also as to whether bells were beconcing a nuisance, nnd how the public, generally speaking, regarded them. The general feeling was that people loved their bells, and he thought that the question of ringing could, to a large extent, be wolved locally by upholding the tone, the characler, and the Churchmanship of the ringers themselves (hear, hear). they put their religion first their band would bear $a$ wholesome and honourable character, and the British publie would respect them. In the name of the Guild ho had given the heartiest possible welcome to the Central Council to meet at Winchester next yoar (applause). They should consider it an honour for the Central Council to have chosen to visit Winchester at Whitsuntide, 1914 (hear, hear), The Rev. Cyrit

Tenkyn (Master of the Oxford Guild), who was present, would bear thim out when he said that the President of the Durham and Newcastle Association did his best to make the meeting pass off successfully and pleasantly, and in that he succeeded admirably (hear, hear). At a committee meeting of their own Guild, held that morning, they had appointed a local committee for the reception of the Central Council, appomprise the Rev. W. J. Colchester, Mr. Williams, Mr. J. W.' Elkins, Mr. W. Andrews, the foreman of the Cathedral band, and the Master of the Guild, and he thought they might be relied upon to do all they could to promote the interests of the visit, and make it as successful as possible (applause).

Mr. J. J. Jones (Guildford District Secretary) brought forward a motion to alter Rule VI to the offect that every assistant secretary should have a seat and vote on the Central Committee. After discussion, it was altered and agreed to in the form that if a secretary was unable to attend, the assistant secretary should take his place and recold his vote.
The Rev. C. E. Matthews again mentioned the question of the representation of the Ladies' Guild on the Central Council, stating that at the Newcastle moelling no resolution was passed, it being thought that the matter should first go back to the several Asosciations to hear what they thought of the proposal. - The meeting then unanimously approved of the proposal that the Ladies Guild should be represented on the Central Council.
It was agreed that the next annual meeting should be held on Saturday, June 27th, 1914.

At the close, the Rev. W. E. Colchester was heartily thanked for the excellent arrangements made for that day's festival.
The members attended service in the Cathedral, and were addressed by the Rev. Du Boulay Hill, who preached a very practical sermon.

Afterwards, about 100 sat down to tea in St. Maurice's Hall. The chair was occupied by the Master, who was supported by the Rev. A. Du Boulay Hill and Mrs. Du Boulay Hill, the Rev. Cyril Jenkyn (Master of the Oxford Guild), the Rev. T. Salmon (North Stoneham), Mr. O. F. Johnston (Messrs Gillett and Johnston, Croydon), the Rev. Canon Madge, the Rev. Minor Canon Slater, Mr. A. T. King, I.S.O., Mr. F. Bowker (Chapter Clerk), Mr. T. W. Fairey, Mr. G. Williams (general secretary), and many others Apologies for absence were read from the Very Rev. the Dean, the Rev. Canon Vaughan, the Rev. Canon Storr, the Ven. Archdeacon of Surrey, the Rev. Canon Nash, and also Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Stilwell.

The Chairman proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Dean and Chapter for the arrangements made for the special service at the Cathedral (applause). He proceeded to welcome the presence of the lev. A. Du Boulay Hill and Canon Madge, two of their founders, and concluded by coupling with the vote of thanks their indebtedness to the Rev. A. Du Boulay Hill for his scholarly address that afternoon (applause).

## THE FOUNDING OF THE GUILD

The Rev. A. Du Boulay Hill, who was very heartily received on rising to acknowledge the vote of thanks, said that it had been one of the great pleasures of his life to come down and meet the Guild that day, and to have had the privilege of addressing them in the Cathedral. In the first place, he had never been in such an exalted pulpit dral as it were, and when he came back again from Oxford he said: dral as it were, and when he came back again from Oxford he said:
Here is virgin soil, and it should be stirred up to produce some ringers (applause). He was thoroughly bacired up by his old friend Canor Madge, who was a member of the Cathedral body, and they got the right side of the Dean and Chapter, and found enough support to get (applause). He believed that in the wee such a splendid harvest (applause). He believed that in the Winchester. Diocese they had an uncommonly good Guild, and it was wonderful to see what enber, in his young days in Cornwall, that on the occasion of their ringing festivals the publican brought his barrel of beer to the churchyard gate-they could not let him go inside (laughter)-for which purpose the magistrates had granted a license. They then rang rounds, and it was wonderfully exact round ringing. A year or two afterwards there was the gathering of the Church Congrees at Plymouth, after which Charles Troyte started the Devonshire Guild. He repeated that he was uncommonly thankful for the progress that had been made with the Winchester Guild, and especially for the progress in ringing. In conclusion, the speaker commended the idea of having a service in connection with their annual festival, as it served to emphasise what their main purpose as a Guild was (applause).
The Rev. Canon Madge added a few felicitous remarks, and this consluded the proceedings.

## ' MISSIONARY'" WORK.

A very enjoyable "missionary outing was organised by members Warwickshire, with Guild. Brmingham, who visited Castle Bromwich, in a remote corner of the diocese where the interest in change ringing party included Messrs. W. H. Godden, J. E. Groves, W. Short, T. Russam, J. L. Wells, C. Stanbridge, W. D. James and J. Neal, and touches in the four Standard methods were rung, followed by 240 Cambridge Surprise. The half-pull ringing much interested the local men, whom the visitors desire to thank for making the necessary arrangements for the success of the outing, which was much enjoyed.

## TOWCESTER ASSOCIATION.

## THE ANNUAL MEETING

The twentieth annual festival of the Towcester and District Association, held at Greensnorton, was an extremely successful event, and the visitors highly appreciated the kind hospitality extended to them by the Rector (the Rev. H. Hoskin) and Mrs. Hoskin. Among the towers represented were: Bradden, Greensnorton, Courteenhall, Middleton Cheney, Wicken, Leckhampstead, Blisworth, Gayton, Lois Weedon, Milton, Helmdon, Paulerspury, Pattishall, Cold Higham, Blakesley, Easton Neston, Toweester. There were also several ringers from the Central Northampton Association. The proceedings commenced with a service at the Church, conducted by the Rector. The iessons were read by the President (the Rev. W. H. Barry), and the Rev. F. H. Mentha and the sermon was preached by Canon Lonsdale Ragg. The collection was for the Greensnorton Belfiry Funcl.
At the annual business meeting, the Rev. W. H. Barry presided. The officers were elected as follow: President, the Rev W. H. Barry; vicepresidents, the Rev. A. Walke, the Rev. R. M. Gore Browne, the Rev. R. C. Collins, the Rev. W. H. Cam; hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. F. Causebrook. A most satisfactory financial report was presented. The annual dinner was held in the school, the President, the Rev. W. H. Barry, occupying the chair. He was supported by the Rev. H. Hoskin (Greensnorton), the Rev. Canon Ragg (Greensnorton), the Rev. W. H. Cam (Paulerspury), the Rev. J. Webster (Bradden), the Rev. W. B. Sleight (Towcester), the Rev. F. H. Mentha (Blakesley), the Rev. O. E. Neely (Milton), Mr. F. Causebrook (hon. secretary to the Association), Mr. J. Slarke (founder of the Association), Mr. G. E. Groom and Mr. F. Wilford (secretary of the Central Northants Association).

The loyal toasts wera proposed by the Chairman, who then read the apologies from clergy and ringers who were unable to attend.
The Chairman announced that he had a very important matter to put to them, viz., the settlement of a permanent day for future festivals. Though the festival in previous years had usually been held on Thursdays, they had no rule either for that or any other day. He understood there was a great deal of feeling in the matter, and he had taken a referendum of the members, and found that they were pretty evenly divided between Thursday and Saturday. He, therefore, suggested that the question of the day should be left absolutely to their host of the year, and this was agreed to.
The toast of "The Bishops and Clergy", was proposed by Mr. G. E. Groom, and responded to by the Rev. H. Hoskin and Canon Ragg.
The gathering accepted the invitation to hold next year's festival at Wicken.
Mr. F. Wilford proposed "Success to the Towcester and District Bell Ringers Association," and he referred to the very favourable progress of the Association. Mr. Wilford also paid a tribute to the very efficient manner in which Mr. Causebrook carried out the secretarial duties, and added that no one worked harder for the good of the Association and of bell ringing generally than Mr. Slarke (applause).The President and Mr. Causebrook replied.
Mr. Slarke, whose name was also coupled with the toast, said after twenty years' labour he was pleased to be amongst them. They were making progress in change ringing, very great help being received from the Northampton side (hear, hear). He mentioned that during the year Easton Neston had rung a peal with their own band (applause).The toast of "The Caterer" was also drunk.
After the dinner the bells were well utilised, and tea was partaken of at the Rectory, where games, etc., were indulged in.

## THE HINTON MEMORIAT.

The memorial erected to the memory of the late William James. Hinton, who died on September 16th, 1910, has been completed, and takes the form of a headstone to the grave, designed and worked by Mr . F. K. Howell, a Thornbury ringer. On the stone is carved a bell, and the inscription is as follows: "To the memory of William James Hinton, died 16th September, 1910, aged 50 years. For many years an enthusiastic bell ringer and teacher of young ringers. Erected by his ringing friends throughout England and Wales." A numerous gathering of members of the Gloucester and Bristol Association was present at the cemetery at Greenbank, Bristol, for the opening of the memorial, and the following rang a plain course of Grandsire Caters on handbells over the grave: H. Brownjohn 1-2, G. Condick 3-4, R. J. Wilkins 5-6, J. Burford 7-8, E. Guise 9-10.-Mr. G. Stadon spoke a few words in praise of the way in which the late Mr. Hinton had promoted change ringing, and the encouragement he had always given to young ringers.
The whole of the expenses connected with the memorial have been borne by ringers from all parts of the country, subscriptions having been received from London, Birmingham, Worcester, Sheffield, South Wales, Bath, Gloucestershire, and other places showing how widely the deceased was known and respected. Aftor paying all expenses,
there was a small balance, which was handed to the widow. The come was a small balance, which was handed to the widow. The fund, and the "Ringing World" for publishing the appeal.

BURSLEM.-Stoke-on-Trent Association.-On April 15th, 720 Plain Bob Minor: W. Bourme 1, A. J. Hurd 2, W. Matthews 3, J. Farrell (first 720 inside) 4, T. Hurd 5, T. Hilditch (conductor) 6. Also another 720. W. Bourne's first inside.

## NEW TOWER AND BELLS AT SLOUGH. DEDICATION OF GENEROUS GIFTS.

The Parish Church of St. Mary, Slough, has just been completed by the addition of a handsome tower and spire, and a peal of eight tuneful bells from the Whitechapel Bell Foundry. The first stone of the church was laid in May. 1876, by Princess Christian, and the chancel, transepts and a portion of the nave, towards the erection of which Queen Victoria subscribed, was dedicated in September, 1878. Some stx years ago a strenuous effort was made to complete the building. King Edward VII was, a subscriber, and the remainder of the bays of the nave were erected. Now, by the further princely gifts of MIr. James Elliman, who altogether has contributed $£ 10,000$ towards the building, the stately tower has been added. The peal of eight bells, with tenor of 17 cwt. 2 qrs. 19 lbs., were provided by Mr. Elliman and other generous donors, as may be seen from the juscriptions to be found upon them:-
Treble.-The gift of Frederick Parker, in memory of his father and mother.
2nd. -The gift of George H. Charsley, in memory of his mother.
3rd.-"Come, let us sing unto the Lord."
4th. With loving woice I call to Cburch and prayer,
And bid the living for the grave propare.
Sth.-Recast A.D. 1913 at the same bell foundry by Meare and Stainbank, Whitechapel, London.
6th.-Where'er the sweet church bell
Peala over hill and dell,
May Jesus Christ be praised.


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7th.-The enlargement of this peal of eight bells, and the erection of the campanile in which they hang, was undertaken by a generous benefactor, A.D. 1912-13. P. H. Eliot, M.A., R.D., Rector, Hon. Canon of Christ Church, Oxford. W. Y. Armstrong, F. Parker, churchwardene.
Tenor.-The gift of Wm. H. Fussell, to the glory of God. A humble thankoffering to St. Mary's Church by a native of the town. "The curfew tolls the knell of parting day."
The dedication of the tower and bells was observed as a day of thanksgiving and rejoicing in the parish. There were several celebrations of Holy Eucharist, and Matins was sung, while Choral Eucharist followed, at which the Ven. E. D. Shaw (Archdeacon of Buckingham) was the preasher.
A largely attended putblic luncheon was held in St. Mary's Church Institute, at which a number of toasts were honoured.--In proposing that of ":The Donors," the Archdeacon of Buckingham referred to the generosity of Mr. Elliman, and of Mr. W. H. Fussell, Mr. George Charsley and Mr. F. Parker, who had given bells. "The Architect and Builder": was another toast honoured, and Mr. A. Hughes (representing Messis. Mears and Stainbank) was one of those who responded. He said he had never in his experience put a peal of bells into a steeple,
where he had been more pleased with the design, construction and strength of the tower than he had been at St. Mary's Church. They had a peal of bells they could be proud of, and he hoped they would ring out merrily prosperity to Slough and its inlhabitants.
A social gathering of church workers was held in the Rectory garden in the afternoon, and in the evening the dedication of the tower and bells were performed by the Bishop of Stepney, in the presence of a crowded congregation, including representatives of various local public bodles. After the dedicatory prayers, the bells rang out merrily, the band being all members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths and residents of the parish of Slough. In the musical portions of tho service, the organ and choir were assisted by an orchestra with trumpets and drums, and the grandeur of the music was equalled only. by the impressiveress of the whole of the proceedings. After the service, the bells again rang out in two touches of Grandsire Triples, the first open change ringing on the bells: 168, by W. H. Fussell, F, V. 1I. Simkins, A. Leader, T. Smith, T. Leader, E. Hooper (conductor), R. Flaxman, and A. Perryman; and 168 by members of the Oxford Guild, A. E. Reeves (conductor), the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master), F. Dentry, J. J. Parker, A. Hughes, D. Gibbons, W. Shepherd and W'. Welling.
The voluntary services of the original ringers have been offered, and heartily accepted by Canon Eliot and Mr. Churchwarden Parker, on bshalf of tho townspeople and churchfolk generally. Mr. W. Wilder (38, Stoke Gardens) has been re-elected steeplekeeper, and Mr. G. T. Leader (26, The Crescent) has been appointed hon. secretary. Thursdays, as in the past, is to be the regular practice night. Very little peal ringing will bo heard for some months to come, in order to allow the new spire to consolidate, but the society will continue to keep themselves proficient by means of handbells and "silent" practices.
A "lashed" practice took place a few days prior to the dedication to test the bells, the following being present: Messrs. Purdue, Wilder, Leader (2), Smith, Hooper, Perryman, W. H. Fussell, and the Rev. F. Young. The eight first-named rang a course of Grandsire Triples, after a spell of rounds to stretch the ropes, in which Mr. George H . Charsley, the town clerk, took part. After an interval of 20 years, Mr. Charsley's first effort was to laise the tenor. The clerk of the works for the new tower and spire (Mr. Searle) was in attendance, representing the architect, and he mounted the battlements to ascertain what effect the ringing had upon the fabric. The steeple was found to sway slightly, but appeared satisfactory, so far as could be seen, while the bells wero fully rung in changes. The sexton (Mr. E. Sargeanl) was also prescut, and at the conclusion of the trials, a 168 of Grandsire was rung. The Rector interviewed the party on their learing the belfry, and received a favourable report of the whole of the works.
It is hoped to organise a ringers' half-day at the tower in the coming winter, with a tea and evening service, particulars of which will bo announced in duo course.

## OUTINGS.

For their second annual outing, the Rickling ringers once more visited London, and spent a most enjoyable day. During the morning they viewed places of interest, including St. Paul's Cathedral. After dinner, at the "Clarence,' Aldersgate Street, the Coliscum was risited. for the afternoon performance. In the evening they found their way to St. Ann's Church, South Tottenham, where they were met by Mr. T. Ringrose and the local company. The mosical peal of six were soon sctit going, and several six scores of Bob Doubles were rung by: D. Jolly 1, F. Bonfield 2, A. B. Wiffen (conductor) 3, R. Law 4, G. Law 5, C. J. Daridson 6; and several six-scores with W. Patmore on the tenor. 360 Bob Minor and 240 Grancl $\because$ Doubles were also rung with the help of the local band. The company wish to thank the Vicar and churchwardens for so kindly granting the use of the bells, Mr. T. C. Ringrose for having everything in readiness, and the rest of the local band for the kind way in which they receired their visitors.

The St. John's Sociely, Margate, had a motor trip for their annual outing. Teaving Margate at 8 a.m. they drove through Wingham, Canterbury, and thence to Perry Woods, near Chilham. Here a very enjoyable time was spent, after which a start was made for Ospringe, Mr. E. E. Foreman being picked up at Boughton. After dinner, at Ospringe, a visit was paid to the tower, where 504 and 336 Grandsire Triples were tapped out in good style. The journey was then resumed to Hernhill, where Mr. Foreman placed his strawberry garden at tho disposal of the ringers, with orders that they could eat as many as they liked and take some home to their wives and sweethearts. Needless to say, full advantage was taken of the offer. Afterwards, an hour was spent in the tower in ringing different methods. During tea, Mr. A. II. Saxby presented Mr. Burgess, who has now left Margate, with a tobacco pouch well-filled and a silver-mounted pipe, as a slight recognition of past services. Another 500 on the bells was then rung, and' a start made for home, which was reached at 10 o'clock. The weather was fine throughout the day, the motors ran well, and all had a very enjoyablo time.

A successful combined practice of the Sonning branch of the Oxford Guild was held on Saturday last at Finchampstead, 16 members being present, representing Sandhurst, Binfield, Wokingham (All Saints'), and the loeal band. The following methods were practised: Plains Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Kent, Woodbine and Cambridge..

## PEAL BOARDS UNVEILED.

## JOHN" PEAL GOMMEMORATED.

'ihe first "name" peal of Stedman Cinques, rung by the Johns at St. Giles' Church, Cripplegate, on November 23rd last year has been fittingly recorded in tho belfry where the unique performance was accomplished. The unveiling ceremony took place on Saturday, and, in the absence of the Vicar (Prebendary Barff), through ilhess, was performed by the Curate (the Rev. R. P. Quilter). Unfortunately, owing to clashing engagements, soveral of the band were unable to attend, but there was a company numbering about 30 in the tower when the proceedings took place. Mr. John Carter made the journey from Birmingham for the purpose of being present; Mr. John Truss came specially from Marlow; and Mr. John Thomas straight to the tower from Cornwall in order to attend. The Bradpole (Dorset) ringers, who were having their outing in London, were present, headed by their instructor, Mr. T. Hervey Beams, and several well known London men attended, among them Mr. E. P. O'Meara, of the College Youths; Mr. C. T. Coles, hon. secretary of the Middlesex Association, etc.

Mr. J. S. Goldsmitl briefly oxplained the object of the gathering, and cxpressed regret at the absence of the Vicar. He added that there was a pathetic circumstance attending the completion of the board, Mr. Coles, senr., who had executed the work, had since passed to his rest. He (tho speaker) voiced the sympathy of those present with the relatives of the late Mr. Coles.
Having unveiled the board, the Rev. R. P. Quilter made an interesting speech, on the subject of ringing and ringers. He referred to the higher tone, which in these days pervaded the Art, and recalled the fact that in the performance of their duties, which required the exercise of skill and discipline, ringers were ministers of the church, just as much as, in their respective spheres, were the choir and clergy. He congratulated the band, both on behalf of the Vicar and of himself, upon the successful accomplishment of a performance as unique as it was interesting.
Mr. J. D. Matthews, in proposing a vote of thanks to the Rev. R. P. Quilter, requested him to convey to the Vicar the best wishes of those present for his speedy recovery.-Mr. E. P. O'Meara made a felicitous speech in seconding the motion, and recalled some of his experiences of a quarter of a century ago in Somerset, which went to show to how much higher a level ringers have now attained in their relation to the church.-The motion haring been carried, Mr. Quilter replied, and the formal proceedings terminated.
Ringing afterwards took place, but owing largely to the bad going of the tenor, was not very successful. It was impossible to keep the bell going single-handed, and when a "strapper" was put on, a touch of Stedman Cinques was lost. Subsequently, a party sat down to a meat tea at the Grown Inn, Crown Court, and enjoyed a pleasant evening with handbells and social intercourse.-The thanks of the company are tendered to Mr. E. P. O'Meara for his kind hospitality.

## A RUGBY BOARD.

A handsome marblette peal tablet has been unveiled in the belfry of St. Andrew's Church, Rugby, recording a peal of London on Mond Major, ring by eight members of the St. Andrew's Society, MI. Blagden, Rector and President of the Society, Mrs. Blagden, Messrs. W. Brooke and G. E. Over, churchwardens; nine performing members of the society, and a number of interested visitors.
The Rector, in opening the proceedings, said they were there to celebrate a triumph of physical endurance and a great wchievement of mental skill. He thought all would agree with him in congratulating the Rugby band upon their great performance. He would like to take that opporturity of saying that the churchwardens and himself regarded the bell ringers as an intimate part of the parochial organisation, and they were as interested in them as they were in all the other work done for the church in Rugby. He would like them to regard their work as church work, and to do it in the spirit of churchmen.-Mr. J. B. Fenton, the ringing master, and conductor of the peal, gave a brief history of the society. Mr. Fenton explained how the members had advanced step by step, until they rang the peal, to perpetuate which the tablet had been erected, and which was the highest point attainable by the ringers at an eight-bell tower. The peal is all the more noteworthy, as it was the first peal in the method by all tho band, and was rung at the first attempt.

After prayers had been said by the Rector, Mrs. Blagden unveiled the tablet, which was much admired by all, and reflected great credit on Messrs. Caspar and Co., who executed the work.
A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector and Mrs. Blagden for their presence, to Mrs. Blagden for her kindness in performing the unveiling ceremony, to the subscribers, and to Mr. H. O. White who undertook the secretarial duties, and whose work was done in a very praiseworthy manner.
A course, which was interestedly watched by the visitors, was then order C. W. Whi: W. Tayler 1, W. Malins 2, H. O. White 3, J. A. Fenton 4, A peal of Cambridge Surprise Major was afterwards attempted, but was brought to grief by a change course, after two hours' ringing.

## A CROYDON CEREMONY.

At the Parish Church, Croydon, on Tuesday week, an interesting gathering took place in the belfry, when a board, recording a peal of

Grandsire Triples rung on September 10th last year as a farewell to Mr. H. Shonfeld, on his leaving for Australia, was unveiled. The company included the Rev. N. L. Lycett, who presided in the absence of the Vicar (the Rev. Canon White Thomson, Rural Dean), Mr. B. A. Laing (churchwarden), and the Misses Laing, Mrs. and Miss Shonfeld, Mrs. Clark, and numerous other friends, with the members of St. John's Society. The proceedings began with a touch of Grandsire Triples, conducted by $W$. States. Prayers were then said by the Rev. N. L. Lycett, who afterwards explained the object of the meeting. He said he thought they could not have shown their respect and esteem for a fellow member in a better way, for now the name of $\mathbf{H}$. Shonfeld was associated with and immortalised in that tower, and should he, as they all hoped he would, return on a holiday visit, he would be able better to appreciate the honour done to him by his fellow ringers. Expressing hearty wishes for Mr. Shonfeld's future happiness and prosperity in his new career, he asked Miss Laing to perform the unveiling.
Gracefully removing the Union Jack which oovered the peal board, Miss Laing expressed her great pleasure in performing the ceremony.Mr. W. States, in a few happy words, proposed a hearty vote of thank to Mr. Laing for so generously presenting the board, to Miss Laing for unveiling it, and to all the company for honouring the ringers with their presence.-Mr. S. Roper briefly seconded, and read a letter from Mr. Shonfeld reporting his success in Australia, and promising his best Thelp should any of the St. John's Society think of going to Australia.The propositio having been carried unanimously, Mr. Laing thanked the band, and said he remembered being present, and, on behalf of the society, presenting Mr. Shonfeld with a souvenir from his fellow ringers. It fiad given him and his daughters great pleasure to bo present that evening.

The peal board was then inspected and greatly admired. The lady visitors were afterwards shown the bells in motion, and many questions were asked, and great interest in change ringing taken by them. Touches of Stedman Triples and Bob Major brought the proceedings to a close.

## THE ROLL CALL.

## MR. D. S. SIMONS, BARKING.

By the death of Mr. D'oyley S. Simons, the St. Margaret's Society, Barking, Essex, mourns the loss of a valued member. Deceased, whose health of late had not been robust, passed away on June 12th, at the age of 27, having been a ringer for 10 years. He was a member of the College Youths, Essex, Sussex and London County Associations, and the 'St. Margaret's Society, Westminster, and had rung in 25 peals in various methods on eight and ten bells. Deceased was formerly a corporal in the Territorial Force, having recently resigned. He leaves a widow and one child, for whom much sympathy is felt. A muffled peal to his memory was recorded in last week's issue.

MR. C. LAMB, BOTTESFORD.
It is with deep regret we have to record the death of Mr. Charles Lamb, a much respected member of the Bottesford company, the sad event taking place on June 22nd, after a long and painful illness. The deceased, who was 24 years of age, was of a bright and cheerful disposition, and was much respected by all who knew him. His presence in the belfry will be much missed, for he was an excellent striker, and always to be found in his place both for service ringing and practice. He took the greatest delight in the art, and was a capable conductor. He had three peals of Grandsire Triples to his credit. His first was rung at Melten Mowbray some four years ago, and the other two at his own church. He also had the honour of conducting the first peal of Grandsire Triples on the Bottesford bells, and by an entirely local band. Deceased was a member of the Midland Counties Association and the Framland Society of Change Ringers.
The funeral took place yesterday week, the Rector, Canon Vincent Jackson, officiating, assisted by the Rev. C. J. Sturton, of Orston, while four of the deceased's fellow ringers acted as bearers, viz., Messrs. M. Bend, S. Baker, H. Thorlby, W. Turner. Other ringers who followed the remains of their departed comrade were: Messrs. D. Gilden, T. Rawdin, A. W. Ward, of the local company, and Mr. H. Thorpe, of Grantham, where deceased was always a welcome visitor. Among the many beautiful wreaths was one from the ringers representing a bell.
In the evening touches of Grandsire Triples were rung with the bells half-muffled, as a last token of respect, by: T. Rawdin 1 , the Rev. $O$. T. Sturton 2, D. Gilden 3, H. Thorpe 4, M. Bend 5, A, W. Ward 6, S. Baker 7, H. Thorlby 8.

## HERSHAM RINGER'S WEDDING.

A good deal of local interest was aroused in the wedding which took place at St. Peter's Church. Hersham on Saturday week, of Mr. William Alfred Woodrow, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Woodrow, and Miss Evelyn Winifred Bootman, eldest daughter of Mr. James Bootman, of Studland Lodge. Both families have long been associated with the village, and the bridegroom and his father are bellringers, the latter also being the oldest member of the church choir. The ceremony was fully chorai, and the bride, who wore a pretty dress of cream satin, was attended by tlie Misses Maude Bootman (sister), Ursula and Ida Wood. row (sisters of the bridegroom), and Bessie Levey, as bridesmaids.
After the service the bells rang out merrily, and the happy pair, who subsequently left for Boscombe, received among many other gifts a silver-plated teapot from the ringers.

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## SUSSEX AND KENT RINGERS AT RYE.

THE MEMBERS AND THE CHURCH.



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BELLS THAT WERE CAPTURED AND RE-CAPTURED
The photographs we publish above are of the Sussex and Kent meeting, held at Rye. The view of the fine old church is taken from the south-east. Originally the tower contained only six bells, which were cast about 1360. The old records show that the French invaded the town on many occasions, and on one occasion, among other plunder, they captured the bells, which they conveyed to Normandy. The men of Rye, determined to have their revenge, set sail for France, defeated the French, recaptured the bells, and brought them back again. Nothing more of note is known of the bells until 1774, when Thomas Lamb, Mayor of the town, turned his attention to them, and through his munificence, the old six were recast and two added, the work being completed by Pack and Chapman in 1775. In 1897, Messrs. Taylor
[E. I'hiteman, Rye.
and Co., at a cost of nearly $£ 200$, quarter-turned and rehung the whole peal in a new frame. Mr. H. E. Franks, clerk to the vestry, and an ardent Church worker, has written the following lines on the bells:-

## RYE BELLS

Sweet bells of Rye, suspended high Above our heads, 'twixt earth and sky! To God ye siug, for man ye ring, And news of joy or sorrow bring.
What message then have ye for men Who hear your sound in Rye to-day? For ye were cast in years gone past, What then to us have ye to say?

## THE BELLS' ANSWER.

In days of old it hath been told,
How Frenchmen stole six bells from Rye, Your Fathers brought them back to port, And heat the French in Normandy.
These six bells rang, with clash aud clang,
Till seventeen seventy-four.
When Thomas Lamb, that generous mau,
The cost of eight bells bore.
Those six were melted up again,
And two more added then;
Round each of us a motto ran
Ou. messages to men.
The first and second of our peal,
Self-conscious pride in them reveal,
"If you have a judicious ear,
You'll own my roice is sweet and clear."
Bell number 3, whene'er it rings,
This happy wisk to mankind brings;
"While thus we join in checrful sound
May love and loyalty abound.'
May Ryers profit by the fourth,
Botin east an I west and south and north!
"Such wondrous power to music's given,
It elevates the soul to heaven."
Rye Royalists! Fifth bell bids you
To Church and State be ever true.
"Ye people all who hear me ring
Bo faithful to your God and King."
"Peace and good neighbourhocd" we find
On sixth bell fitly thus designed.
The seventh bell, of wisdom full,
A message has for those who pull.
Ye ringers all who prize
Your liealth and happiness,
Bo sober, merry, wiso
And you'll the same possess."
Bell eight romantic song doth sing,
And, like romance it tends
To joyful peals for weddings' ring And thus it wisely ends.
'In wedlock's band all you who join,
With hands and heart unite;
So shall our tuneful tongues combine
To laud the nuptial rite."
The sentences in inverted commas are the inscriptions on the bells. The weight of the tenor is 19 cwt .0 qr .27 lbs.

## ODD CHANGES.

Some new recruits have come into the ranks of the ringers at Vancouver, British Columbia, and a new start has been made with change ringing. At the Cathedral of our Lady of the Holy Rosary on June 8th two touches of Grandsire Triples ( 224 and 168) were rung for service by F. Jones I, A. C. Limpus 2, G. W. Foster (conductor) 3 , G. Pearce 4, F. Taylor 5, Alex. Thomson 6, H. Doddington 7, S. A. Pope 8.

A peal of Stedman Caters was rung on handbells at Guildford on Saturday, in which Miss Elsie Bennett took part. Miss Bennett cycled from London to the county town of Surrey-a distance of 30 miles-before the peal. Not a bad performance for a lady.

We are asked to say that visitors to Margate will be sure of a hearty welcome at St. John's belfry on Sundays at to a.m. and 6 p.m. Quarter-peals can be arranged after Divine service.

The dedication of the bells at Bicester, Oxon, which Messrs, Gillett and Johnston have just restored, will take place next Thursday at 3 p.m., and visiting ringers will be welcome.

## HEREFORDSHIRE STIRRING.

## THE HON. SECRETARY'S IREPLY TO OUR CRITICISMS.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-Many thanks for your kindly and stirring criticisms of the Hercford Diocesan Guild. We shall accept your invitation to chroncle our doings in your excellent paper, but I hope your 'friendly correspondent" will continue to do this, as no one could do it better, and he is, despite your description, by no means an "outsider" to the Guik, though at present lining out of the Diocese.
As to more frecuent meetings, I hope the discussion at the festival will bear fiuit in this direction. All the same, there is something to bo said for the past policy of the Guild in concentrating its efforts on one great central githering every year. The Diocese of Hereford extends far beyond Herefordshire, and includes South Shropshire, parts of Montgomeryshire, Radnorshire, Monmouthshire and Worcestershire, and the Guild goes further still and takes in a big slice of 13recknockshire as well. The great majority of its members are engaged in agriculture, and do rot enjoy the regular weekly half-holiday that their brelliren in shops, offices and works have as an opportunity for frequent afternoon gatherings. One whole-day outing in the year, at the time when farm work is slackest, i.e., just before hay harvest begins, is as much as most of them can manage. As it is, many have come to look on the Guild Festival as the opportunity for a yearly jaunt and change. And as it serves so well to keep the members of a Guild so scattered as ours is, in touch with each other and the centre, we must be careful not to allow it to fall into the shade.
We are proud, and I tinink rightly, of our annual festival. But it is not the only gathering we have in the year. Thanks to the generosity of Capt. Gle: Kidston we also have the ringing competition on May 24th, which was reported in your issue of Jume 13 th as being held at Clifford this (the second) year; a competition which drew together bands from 19 of our towers, or about 120 of our ringers, and is established as an annual fixture.
Something also of the nature of what was suggetsed at nur festival meeting is already in operation in the N.E. corner of the Hereford Cuild's country, where a group of six-bell towers have been holding regular monthly mectings for joint practice since Easter. And there are jndications that this idea may be further extended. So you see, Mr. liditor, if still asleep, we are stirring in our sleep.-Yours, etc.,

Quatt Rectory, Salop.
JAMES S. ROPER
PS. Hon. Secretary, Hereford Guild. P.S.-As a further evidence that we are at any rate beginning to wake up, I may point to the peal of Minor in seven methods on June 10th, at [bridstow. Surely a creditable performance for a village band.
J. S. R.

## SOUTH WALES BELL RESTORATIONS. <br> ANOTIIER PEAL OF TEN.

The following contracts for bell restorations in the Llandaff Diocese have just been let, and the work is being proceeded with:-
Caldicot, Monmouthshire.-The ring of eight to be rehing in a new steel frame, and retmned by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, Croydon.

Peterstone, Marshfield, Monmouthshire. -The ring of six to be rehung in a new sterl frame, and two trebles added by Messrs. Warner and Sons, London
Pontypridd, Glamorganshire. - A new ring of eight to be put in by Mossrs. John 'I'aylor and Co., Loughbowough.
St. Woolos, Newport, Monmouthshire.-The ring of eight to be all recast and rehung in a new steel frame, the frame to be built for ten, by Messrs. John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.
Since the above information came to hand, we have received an intimation that the peal of ten bells for St. Woolos is assured. The recasting of the old eight was made possible by the generous gift of an anonymous donor of $£ 400$, and now two other gentlemen, who also desire that their identity shall not be known, have come forward with a handsome offer of the gift of a bell each to make the ten. Needless to say, the offer was promptly accepted, and in the near future St. Woolos' Church will enjoy the distinction of having the only peal of ten in the Llandaff diocese, with the exception of St. John's, Cardiff.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the South Western Division was held at Stoncchurch, on Saturday, when numerous towers in the district were represented.-Tea was partaken of at the Bull Inn at 5.30 , and was followed by a business meeting, with the Master (Mr. G. A. Black) in the chair.-Mr. F. G. Newman was elected a member, and Romford was selected as the place for the annual meeting, to be held in Scptember, Barking being suggested as an alternative should Romford be unavailable.- The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the stecplckecper for making all the arrangemenls. Ringing, which was intermpted in the afternoon owing to a funeral, was again indulged in after the meeting, but owing to the poor attendance the quality did not reach a very high standard.


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## DALTON CHURCH BELLS. NEW PEAL DEDICATED.

As briefly recorded in our last issue, the Bishop of Carlisle has dedicated the new peal of eight bells hung in the tower of Dalton-inFurness Parish Church, the cost of which has been between $£ 800$ and £900. The wfork was entrusted to Messrs. Warner and Sons, of the Spitalfields Foundry, who recast the old six (tenor $10 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.), added more metal, and turned out an octave with the tenor 21 cwt. 2 qrs. 3 lbs., in metal. The bells are inseribed:-
Treble.-Hanc Campanam d.d.: J.G.L. et J.K.L. In memoriam H.W.M., S.A.M. et L.L. A.D. MOMXIII.-John Warner and Sons, founders, London, 1913.
2nd.-This bell was given by Joseph and Elizabeth Fisher aud family.John Warner and Sons, founders, London, 1913.
3rd.-This bell was given by T. and J. Ashburner, 25 th April, A.D 1888.-1913.-John Warner and Sons, founders, London, 1913.

4th. -This bell was given bv the family of the late Abraham and Sarah Heys. In memoriam, A.D. 1913.-John Warner and Sons, founders, London, 1913.
5th.-To the glory of God and in gratitude for his mercies during 50 years residence at Millwood, this bell was given by Edward Wadham and his wife and family. A.D. 1913.-John Warner and Sons, founders, London, 1913.
6th.-This bell was given by the Sidesmen. A.D. 1913.—John Warner and Sons, flounders, London, 1913.
7th.-This bell was given by Kennedy Brothers. A.D. 1913.-John Warner and Sons, founders, Jondon, 1913.
Tenor.-Honori Dei et Hujusce Parochiz Usui He sunt Campanæ. J. G. Leonard, M. A., Vicar; J. Fisher, jun., H. W. Preston, W. J. Kelleway, W. Preston, Churchwardens.-J.ohn Warner and Sons, founders, London, 1913.


The frame, winich is constructed to hold ten bells, is made of steel joists, and the design and principle is Messrs. Warner's own, and this is the first frame for 10 bells ever made in this way. The headstocks are of cast iron, and the wheels, clappers, and all the fittings of the most modern type. The total weight of bells and fittings is about 12 tons. The bells are tuned on Canon Simpson's five-tone principle.

## BISHOP AND BELL RINGERS.

It is pathetic to recall that Mr. Edward Wadham, the donor of the 5 th, passed away a few days before the dedication. The Bishop, in his address, after the dedication of the bells, referred to Mr. Wadham's devotion to the Church, both in the parish and the diocese, and expressed sympathy with those left to mourn his death. Proceeding, he briefly traced the history of bells and their uses, and said that during the 18th century the bell tower of churohes was little better than a public tavern. The bell ringers used to take up their alcoholic beverages and consume them in the bell tower. There were very few bellringers in those days who thought of going to church, for after ringing the bells to summon ot, er people, they themselves went away directly the ringing ceased. There was great cause for deep thankfulness to know that that condition of thing; had now entirely passed away. It was one of the many instances which could be adduced of the wonderful growth of the sense of reverence; a great improvement in the feeling and obligation which lies upon Church people that whatever they thought in connection with the Church they should do it as Ohurch people and as Christians. The Bell Ringers' Association which was formed some years ago, and which he watched with great interest was now a very considerable power in the land, and had done wonders for the improvement in the practices of bell ringers. He could not tell them with what feelings of gratitude and joy he learned that the Dalton bell ringers-were everyone of them communicants, and some of them Sunday School teachers, and did other work for the service of Christ and His Church Not a few of the stalwart clergy themselves were bell ringers, and it was a most excellent physical exercise, an exercise which he would strongly commend to the young men of the parish; it would do them good physically, and would do them goord religiously when the exercise was taken up in the spirit in which he had
spoken, remembering that the bell tower was a part of the church, and when the church was consecrated the bell tower was consecrated with it.

After the service, the bells were rung in touches of Major and Minor by Messrs. T. R. Jackson, T. Watson, Tom Gibbons (Barrow), T Shuttleworth, W. Forshaw, T. Suart, J. Huddleston and W. Dennison On the following Sunday, as a mark of esteem to the late Mr. Wad ham, who was a patron of the St. Mary's Society since its formation in 1881, and was a great beuefactor to the church, the bells were rung half-muffled.

The bells are a very fine peal, and the "go" of them leaves nothing to be desired

## CHURCH BELL DEDICATIONS.

 HORWICH BELLS DEDICATED.The bells of Holy Trinity Church, Horwich, Lancashire, have been augmented to eight, the old six recast and all rehung on the latest principles by Messrs. Titylor and Co., of Loughborough. The dedication took place on Saturday, the ceremony being performed by Canon Chapman, Vicar of Bolton, and Rural Dean, assisted by the Vicar of Horwich, and the Vicar of Deane. The bells were opened by the local company, and after tea, 凤 quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung by: G. Pincott 1, J. Potter (oonductor) 2, J. Welsley 3, R. Barlow 4, A. Potter 5, W. Penuington 6, J. W. Taylor 7, R. Allred 8. Great credit is due to Messrs. Taylor and Co. for the splendid "go" and tone of the bolls.

## CHTENTES BUCKS

The rehanging of the bells at St. Michael's Church, Chenies, has now been completed, and after a trial peal early last week, eatisfaction was expressed at the manner in which the work has been carrjed out by Messis. Mears and Stainbank, of Whitechapel Foundry. On Saturday, the bells were also rung by the Wooburn ringers, who were completely satisfied with the way in which the work has been carried out. The installation of the new clock has also been completed by a firm from Whitchurch, Staffe.

H:ARRINGWORTH RING AUGMENTED
The bells of Halringworth, Northants, have been augmented to six and rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of the Whitechapel foundry. Within the last 20 years the ancient and beautiful church has been restored by an expenditure of fully $£ 2,000$, and the improvements to the bells have now been carried out at a cost of over $£ 220$. The steeple contained a peal of five, three of which were cast by Mears and Son, London, in 1805, one (the 2nd bell) came from the foundry of Tobias Norris, Stamford, in 1603, and the other (the 5th bell) was cast by Thos. Eayre, Kettering, in 1755. These were recently removed to the Whitechapel foundry, where the 2nd was recast and the others quarter-turned and tuned. A new treble, weighing 5 cwt., was cast to supplement the peal to six, and when the bells were returned to the tower they were hung in a new iron frame, having rolled steel joists for foundations. On Sunday week, a dedication service was conducted by the Rev. C. G. Hodgson, Rural Dean, Rector of Bulwick. Several touches were creditably rung, two of the Seaton ringers assisting the village team. Mr. John Thomas, of Edmonton, who superintended the rehanging, performed the remarkably skilful feat of manipulating the treble and 2nd bells together for two six scores of Grandsire, and also conducting

## BRASSINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.

After an interval of only two years, the energetic villagers of Bras sington have added a treble to their pretty ring of five, and on Wednesday, June 18th, the opening of the augmented peal took place. A large congregation assembled during the ringing of some well-struck Bob Doubles, and evensong was said by the Vicar, the Rev. W. Wedge After the special lesson, read by the Rev. C. L. Currey, Rector of Carsington, the clergy and choir proceeded to the tower, and the dedicatory prayers were said by the Rev. A. Gamble, R.D., Vicar of Bradbourne. The new bell wes then raised, and 120 Doubles were rung by the loral men: J. Truman 1, J. Watson 2, J. G. Mellor 3, J. Dakin 4. J. Mellor (conductor) 5, T. Dakin 6. The Rural Dean then delivered an instructive discourse on bells and their uses. During the closing hymn, a collection was taken in aid of the bell fund. Whilst the parishioners were wending their way to the Vicarage garden, where tea was served and a sale of work held, the first 720 of Bob Minor was rung by: Rev. A. Gamble 1, J. H. Midlane 2, F. Johnson 3, G. H. Bowmer 4, J. Wardman 5, W. Fox (conductor) 6. During the evening, the ring was kept merrily foing, and the additional bell gave the greatest satisfaction. The work has been admirably carried out by Messrs. John Taylor and Sons, of Loughborough.

## MALDON AND DISTRICT GUILD.

The anmual meeting of the Maldon and District, Guild was held at Great Totham, on Saturday last, about 30 members attending from Maldon, Goidhanger, Witham, and the local company, who were entertained to a strawberry tea on the lawn of the Vicarage by the Vicar (the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre), who is President of the Guild.-At the busi ness meeting the officers were re-elected, and a vote of thanks to the Vioar for kindly providing tea, and placing the bells at the disposal of the members was unanimously carried. The bells were kept going during the afternoon and evening, touches being rung in seven or eight methods.

## MIDDLESEX MEETING AT HESTON

A glorious afteruoon, a strong muster of members, a good variety of ringing; and last, but not least, a ramble round the beautiful Vicarage gardens and tea on the lawn. Such were the conditions that prevailed at the South andi West District meeting of the Middlesex prevailedion, at Heston, on Saturday last. The flag was flying gaily on the old Norman tower in honour of the occasion, when between 40 and 50 members put in an appearance. During the afternoon, touches of Grandsire, Oxford Bob, Stedman, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Doubls Norwich, etc., were successfully brought round, and later the members assembled on the Vicarage lawn, where, by kind invitation of the Vicar (the Rev. F. W. A. Wilkinson), tea was provided. The tables were tastefully laid, and, with the kind assistance of Mrs. Wilkinson and friends, "the cup that cheers" was soon being passed round. A feature of the tea was a beautiful cake specially made for the occasion by a lady in Heston. This was artistically adorned with a number of miniature silvered bells; and, needless to say, this truly appropriate work of art was much appreciated by all, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the donor.
Tea over, the Vice-President, Mr. J. H. B. Hesse, in a happy little peech, moved a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and Mrs. Wilkinson for their kind hospitality.-The District Master, Mr. T. Beadle, secondod, and the members endorsed the resolution in the usual way.
The Vicar, in responding, extended a very hearty welcome to the Association, assuring the members of the very real pleasure it gave him to meet them at Heston. -Votes of thanks were also accorded those kind friends, who, by their presence and help, had contributed to the success of the gathering.
A short business meeting followed, at which four new members were elected, and the July meeting fixed for Harlington concluded that part of the programme; a photographic group by the secretary; a ramble through the gardens, and then back to the beloved bells. The company parted about 9 p.m., the better it may be truly said for a few happy hours spent in the gociety of each other.
We hope to reproduce the photographic group next week.

## MANY PEALS AT CROYDON FOUNDRY.

Messrs. Gillett and Johnston report that they have the following contracts in hand (apart from sundry clock chimes):-
Northowram (Yorks): New ring of eight.
Coleman's Hatch (Sussex) New ring of eight.
Bicester (Oxon): -Recast and rehang the ring of eight in a new frame. Tichmarch (Northants): Recast part of the ring of eight and rehang in a new frame.
Caldicot (Mon.): Rehang the ring of eight in a new frame, and tune. St. Mary Cray (Kent): Reoast and rehang the ring of five in a new frame and add a treble.
Higham (Suffolk): Recast and rehang the ring of six in a new frame. East Bridgford (Notts): Rehang the ring of six in a new frame, and tune.

Kineton (Warwicks) : Rehang the ring of six in a new frame, and une.
Ditchling (Sussex): Rehang the ring of sux.
Pytchley (Northants): Rehang the ring of five, and tune; also recast the treble.
Cold Higham (Northants): Recast the ring of four, rehang in a new frame, and add a treble.
Tame, and adon (Notts): Rehang the ring of five.
Brentford (Essex): A new chime of six.

## SCORES.

ADOLPHUS ROBERTS' 150 PEALS
One Minor method, 4, conducted 1; two Minor methods, 1; three Minor methods, 2, conducted 2; seven Minor methods, 4, conductedi2; Bob Triples, 1; Major, 16, conducted 2; Grandsire Triples, 21 ; Caters, 4; Cinques, 1; Union Triples, 1 ; Canterbury Pleasure Triples, 1 ; Royal, 1 ; Oxfora Treble Bob Major, 1; Kent Treble Bob Major, 8; Royal, 1; Double Oxford Bob Major, 1; Duffield Bob Major, 2; Double Norwich Court Bob Major, 18, onducted 3; Caters, 1; Stedman Triples, 20, conducted 3: Caters, 6; Superlative Surprise Major, 18, conducted 2; Cambridge, 9 ; New Cambridge, I; London, 7; total, 150 , conducted 15. Rung in 58 towers and 12 counties.

GEORGE H. CROSS'S 50 PEALS.
Grandsire Triples, 3; Stedman, 2; Bob Major, 9 (conducted 4); Oxford Treble Bob Major, 11 (6); Kent, 5 (1); Double Norwich, 7 (1); Superlative Surprise Major, 1. On handbells: Bob Major, 8 (conducted 7): Kent Treble Bob Major, 1 (1); Oxford. 1 (1); Bob Royal, 2 (2); total, 50, conducted. 23.

OTHER HALF-CENTURIES.
C. Edwards' 50 peals.-Minor Plain Bob, 1 (conductod 1); in three Methods, 3 (3); in four Methods, 8 (7); in five Mothods, 2 (1); in seven Mothods, 4 (3); Grandsire Triples, 14 (7); Oxford Bob, 2 (1); Stedman, 6 (1) ; Bob Major, 5 (2); Kent Treble Bob Major, 3; Double Norwich, 1: Grandsire Caters, 1 ; total, 50 (conducted 26).
T. Groombridge, junr.'s 50 peals.-Minor: In eight Methods, 1 (conductcd 1) ; in seven Methods, 1; Grandsire Triples, 9 (3), including four on handbells, conducted, 1; Caters, 1; Stedman Triples, 10; Caters, 1; Cinques, 1: Bob Major, 3; Canterbury Pleasure, 1; Kent Treble Bob, 4 (1); Double Norwich, 4 (1); Duffield Royal, 1; Superlative Surprise

Major, 1; New Cumberland, 1; Oambridge, 5; London, 3; Bristol, 2; Cambridge Hoyal, 1; total, 50 (conducted 6).
A. Coppock's 50 peals.-Kent Minor, 1; Stedman Triples 8 (conductedi 5); Stedman Caters, 1; Grandsire Caters, 1; Bob Major, 1; Kent Major, 17 (conducted 9); Royal, 3 (conducted 1); Oxford Treble Bob Major, 2 (conducted 1); Oxford Royal, 1; Double Norwich Major, 10 (conduotedı 6) ; Superlative Major, 5 (conducted 4); total, 50 (conducted 26).

## RINGING BY DIAGRAM.

In several previous issues the methods which we have illustrated by diagram have been pairs in which the only. difference has been in the back-stroke row of the treble. lead. This week, by way of showing how little some of the methods differ, we are including two which have the same lead ends, but vary slightly in the internal work.

In each of the methods the bob work is the same. At A and $D$ make $4^{\text {th's }}$ and take up work of the 4 th; at B and E run in and take up work of 2nd; at $C$ and $F$ run out and. take up the work of the 3 rd.


The figures at the side show the starting place of each bell; the small lines intersecting the diagram mark the place where the treble crosses the path of the working bell; and the asterisks the places where the working bell dodges with the treble.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

A very sumcessful and enjoyable meeting for practice was held by the Southern District of the Durham and Newcastle Association, at Staindrop ( 6 bells), members attending from Darlington (8), Hurworth (2), and Staindrop (7). The local men, with the district secretary, opened the ringing with a well-struck 720 of Bob Minor, the first for F. W. Lupson, one of their new members; 720 Kent followed, being the first in the method for another local, H. Shipp, who rang the treble. This was followed by 120 Stedman Doubles, 240 Oxford Treble Bob, 360 London Surprise, 120 Chester Surprise. This completed the ringing in the tower, and afterwards, when tea had been partaken of, some Grandsire Triples on the handbells was indulged in. The next meeting will be held at Hurworth ( 6 bells), on Saturday. July $12 t \mathrm{~h}$. for practice.

## NOTICES.

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## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

 -Established 1637.-A district meeting will be heid at Croydon on Saturday, July 5th. Ringing from 4 to 5 o'clock at St. John's, and from 6 to 8 o'clock at St. Peter's. By the kind invitation of Messrs. Johnston, tea will be prowided at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in St. Peter's Hall. A social meeting will be heid at 8 o'clock at the Greyhound Hotrel. William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch. -The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Moorside Church, Oldham, on Saturday, July 5 th, 1913. Bells ready at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting at 6.30 p.m. Business important. A good attendance is requested.-J. H. Bastow, Branch Secretary.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-

 The annual meeting will be held at Taunton on July 5th, 1913. Dinner in St. Mary's School, Church Square, at 1.30. Business meeting to follow. Service in St. Mary's Church at 6 p.m. The following bells are available : St. Mary's (ro) after 12 noon, St. James' (8), Wilton (6) all day.-E. E. Burgess, Secretary, 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (Southern Branch).The next meeting will be held at Edenham on Saturday, July 5 th, bells (6) available all day, service in the church at $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea will be provided at the Five Bells Inn at 4.45 p.m., business meeting following. It is hoped that ringers and friends will turn up in large numbers, and so make this meeting a very successful one. - S. Proctor, 'Secretary, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).-The quarterly meeting of the association will be held on Monday, July 7 th, at the church of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Bloomsbury, IV.C. Tower open from 8 to 9.30 p.m. Business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.-F. J. Hardy, Honorary General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on July 8th and 22nd; St. Giles' Cripplegate, on July 8th; Southwark Cathedral, on July ${ }_{15}$ th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the ${ }_{17} \mathrm{th}$ and 3 1st'; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 22nd; St. Mary's, Walthamstow on Saturdays. St. Magnus $7 \cdot 30$, the others 8 p.m. - William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Roadi, Clapham, S.IW.

BICESTER, OXON. - The recast ring of eight bells now being hung in the Parish Church will be dedicated by the Ven. Archdeacon of Oxford on Thursday next, July roth, at 3 o'clock. The yower will be open after the serTice. Visiting ringers welcome.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District. -The next meeting will be held at Burstow on Saturday, July 12 th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea, at 5.30 p.m., by kind invitation of the Rector. -Henry F. Ewins, Honorary District Secretary, Duneton, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS.-Axbridge Deanery Branch.-

A quarterly meeting will be held at Mark on Saturday, July 12 th. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5.15, at the Rectory. Meeting to follow. Bells available from 2 p.m. - J. Harris, Branch Secretary, Burnham.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury District.-A meeting will be held at Ash-next-Sandwich, on Saturday, July 12 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. All ringers and friends heartily welcome.-E. Trendell, Hon. Secretary, Worksop.
NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - Summer quarterly meeting at Harworth, near Bawtry ( 6 bells), Saturday, July 12 th. Tea at 5 p.m. Tickhill ( 8 bells), by the kind permission of the Rev. H. E. Booty, will also be at the disposal of ringers during the day. Ladies and gentlemen of kindred associations will be heartily welcomed. A good attendance is desired. - H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary, Worksop.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.--Preston Branch.Bicentenary of bells at Goosnargh on July inth. All members of the Preston Branch are invited by the Vicar of Goosnargh to attend on the above date. Service at 3.45. Preacher, Rev. H. J. Elsee, President of the Association. Tea will be provided afterwards. The bells will be available before service from two o'clock, and after tea till 9 p.m. Members who intend being present must let me know by July 7 th. - E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-dale.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual festival will be held at Wokingham, on Saturday, July igth. Service in the Parish Church at 11.30 . Preacher: the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey (President of the Cambridge University Guild of Change Ringers). Business meeting in the Church House at 12.20. Dinner in the Drill Hall at 1.30. Dinner tickets at 2s. 3d. each (ale or minerals included) will be forwarded to those members only who send the money, with the order, to me on or before Saturday, July 12th. One Shilling will be refunded to each member present at the dinner, but members failing to send for their tickets must pay 2s. 3d. at the door and have no refund.Albert E. Reeves, Guild Secretary, 5, Fatherson Road, Reading.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - South-Eastern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Rayleigh on Saturday, July reth. Short service ât 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting follow. The Rev. A. G. Fryer is kindly providing tea. Those intending to be present please send word to me not later than July 16 th .-Henry F. Cooper, District Secretary, County Offices, Chelmsford.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824).-Northern District.-The next meeting of this Distridt will be held on the 19th July at St. Matthew's, Church Row, Bethnal Green. Tower open at 4.30 p.m. Business meeting at 7.45 . All members and friends welcome.-J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7d, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East District.-The next meecing will be held at Hadley on Saturday, July 19th. Belis available from 3.30. Tea at 5.45 , 6d. each. Members and friends cordially inrited. - C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Sudbury District. -A district meeting will be held at Sudbury on Saturday, July 19th. Tea at the Bull Inn, at 4 p.m. The bells of

All Saints' and St. Peter's will be available, the latter for short periods only. Will those wishing to have tea provider kindly communicate not later than Tuesday, July ${ }^{1} 5^{\text {th }}$, with the secretary, Rev. R. L. Gardner, Lavenham, Suffolk.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-

 TIGX. - Northern Branch. - A meeting for combined pracice will be held at Halesowen on Saturday, July igth. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Methods: Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Treble Bob Major.-E. J. Dowler, Branch Secretary.SURREY ASSOCIATION. - The quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, July 19th, at Egham. Tower open at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 . Tea at $5 \cdot 30$, in the Church Room. Business meeting after. As the Vicar and churchwardens are kindly providing tea, will unattached members intending to be present let me know not Tater than Tuesday, July isth. - Cyril F. Johnston, Honorary Secretary, Bell Foundry, Croydon.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - North-Eastern Dis-trict.-The next mecting will be held at Harwich on Saturday, July 26 th. A tea will be provided at 5 o'clock for those sending notice to A. Shufflebotham, District Secretary, Sandpit Road, Braintree.

CHANGE OF ADDRESSES.-Mr. Ernest Pye has removed to 3, Stafford Cottages, Padnal Road, Chadwell Heath, Essex.-Mr. A. J. Bowen has removed to 4, Oakleigh Cottages, Woodleigh Road, Ledbury.—Mr. S. R. Roper has removed to 48, Limes Road, Croydon.

## SITUATION WANTED.

CiARDENER.-Single; experienced; requires situation; single-handed or head of one or two; good references. Change ringer 8 or 10 bells; also handbells; disengaged end of July.-Maurice Smither, I4, Cooper Road, Guildford, Surrey.

## HOLIDAY APARTMENTS.

Having frequently had inquiries from ringers for information as to other members of the Exercise who have holiday apartments to let, we offer the use of our columns to those who cater for visitors at seaside and other resorts. Terms for insertion will be sent on application.

VISITORS TO BLACKPOOL will find every convenience at Mrs. E. Howarth's, I4, May Bell Avenue, Springfield Road, Blackpool, N.S.

BLACKPOOL.-Ringers visiting this seaside resort will find every comfort and convenience at Mrs. J. Smith's, 41, Hornby Road, Blackpool. Near sea and Central Station. Send stamp for reply.

VISITORS TO BRISTOL will find every convenienc. and moderate charges at Mrs. Walker's, Admiral Dua can, Nicholas Street, Bristol Headquarters of the Bristo Ringers

## STEEPLEKEEPERS AND THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT. <br> To the Eiditor.

Dear Sir,-I should be extremely obliged if you would give an answer through your raluable paper, to the following question: Suppose, while I am in the act of greasing the bells at our church, I slip, and in consequence break my leg, are the churchwardens liairle under any Acts of Parliament to may me half my wages as a ringer ind half my wages in my ordinary every-day occupation, as oompensation?
Yours faithfully, Yours faithfully,
[We clo not profess to give legal advioe, but as far As we comprehend the Workmen's Compensation Act, we beliere that if "A Ringer'" is paid by the churchwardens for his services, he would be entitled to
men's Compensation Act, 1906, provides that where total or partial incapacity for work results from the injury, a weekly payment during the incapacity, not exceeding 50 per cent. of his average weekly earnings during the provious twelve months, such weekly payment not to exceed £1, shall be paid. Among the rules laid down for ascertaining the average weekly earnings of a workman, it is provided that where the workman had entered into concurrent contracts of service (either in writing or implied) with two or more employers, under which he worked at one time for one such employer, and at another time for another such employer, his average weekly earnings should be computed as if his earnings under all such contracte were earnings in the employment of the employer for whom he was working at the time of the accident.-Ed.]

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

A meeting of the Marlborough Branch was held on Saturday last, at Calne. The western end of the area worked from Marlborough, as tine centre, has always been the most enthusiastic, and in that part the meetings have, as a rule, been best attended. On this occasion, however, the att ondance was not so large as had been expected. The members met at Calne, where the ringing opened with a touch of Grandsire Triples. A party then journeyed to Bromham, where Mr. H. Brownlee West, secretary of the Devizes branch, had obtained the Rector's permission for the bells to be rung. Bob Minor, Stedman and Grandsire Doubles were brought round, and a return was made to Calne in time for tea, to which 17 ringers sat down at the Church House-At the business meeting, which followed, the Rev. H. E. Tilney Bassett (Master of the Guild) was in the chair, the Rev. A. E. G. Peters (the Branch president) being absent owing to slight indisposi-tion.-Tive new members were elected, and a discussion was held as to a proposed instruction centre. It was decided that Hilmarton was the best centre, and it was left to the secretary to find out how many ringers from the neighbouring towers would wish to receive instruction. A suggestion was made that it should not begin until the autumn months.

The ringers then returned to the tower, where Stedman Triples were bronght round. A number then left Calne for Hilmarton; and. the Rev. E. W. W. Payne, having kindly given them permission, rang several touches there. Later they went on to Lyneham, where there are five bells of splendid tone, and brought round further touches. Although the number at the meeting was not large, ten parishes were represented: Calne, Beechingstoke, Bremhill, Hilmarton, Compton Bassett, Heddington, Lyneham, Swindon, Wootton Bagsett and Marlborough St. Mary.-Thanks are due to Archeleacon Bodington for allowing the meeting to be held at Calne, and to the incumbents of the other three parishes for granting permission for the use of the bells.

## PRESENTATION AT ALDERSHOT.

A very pleasant surprise awaited Mr. C. Edwards at the conclusion of the ringing at Aldershot Parish Church on Wednesday evening in last week, when, as a memento of the good feeling felt by the local band for their instructor, Mr. Fisher, on behalf of the Aldershot ringers, presented Mr. Fdwards with a handsome silver pendant (designed by one of their company). Mr. Fisher referred to the great help. Mr. Edwards had been to them by coming to Aldershot on the occasion of nearly every practice, and how glad they always were to see him amongst them.-Mr. Edwards, in replying, said he should always value the gift and wear it. He thanked the Aldershot ringers for their kindness. He added that they had made more progress than any band he had ever had to instruct in change ringing, and whenever he managed to get to the tower he was always made most welcome. He hoped that a peal by the local band would soon be an accomplished fact.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

The second meeting of the Bitton branch was held under ideal conditions at Dryham, about 10 miles from Bristol. Most of the visitors arrived by brake, and set the bel's going to Grandsire and Bob Minor. Although the Rector was unable to be present, the visitors were invited to meet on the lawn, where tea was provided. At the meeting, which followed, Mr. R. J. Wilkins was roted to the chair, in the absence of the chairman of the branch (the Rev. H. A. Cockey). Three new members werc elected, and Westerleigh was selected for the next meet-ing.-A rote of thanks to the Rector (the Rer. W. E. Blathmayt) and Mrs. Blathmayt was proposed by the chairman.- A ramble round the beautiful gurdens and the fine old mansion (which belongs to the brother of the Rector) was much enjoyed by the visitors, who admired the fine old paintings and tapestries. The handbells were brought into use, and courses of Grandsire and Stedman Caters were rung by: W. A. Cave. H. Brownjohn, F. Guise, R. J. Wilkins, C. I. Gordon, S. Condick, F. Price and S. Tomkins. Tunes were also rung by H. Finwnjohn and E. Guise. The church bells were then again utilised, some of the younger members being giver opportunities. A half-way house was found on the homeward journey, and here songs by $\mathbb{S}$. Abrahams ansi C. H. Tomkins, a duet by the brothers Wiltshire, and bandbell ringing was enjoyed.-Thanks are due to Mr. Sims, the branch sacretary, for the arrangements made for the successful meeting.

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

GREAT HAMPTON. Worcestershire Association.-On Sunday, April 6th, at the Church of St. Andrew, in 46 mins., a quarter-peal of Minor (1260 changes), being 360 each of Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob and Piain Bob, and 180 of Grandsire: A. Greenfield 1, 'T. Middleton 2, J. Hemming 3, H. Jordan 4, W. Gisborne 5, F. Jordan (oonductor) 6.
SHREWSBURY.-Salop Guild.-On Sunday, April 6th, at St. Mary's Church, for Matins, 503 Grandsire Caters: J. Tudor 1, E. Jones 2, M. J. Taylor 3, G. Tipton 4, W. Stockdale 5, G. Scarrett 6, E. T. R. Corbett 7, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 8, F. Taylor 9, J. Wynn 10. Also 252 Stedman Triples.-At St. Chad's, for morning service, 484 Grandsire Cinques: W. Brooks 1, J. Tudor 2, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 3, W. Jones 4, G. Scarrett 5, W. R. Stockdale 6, E. T. R. Corbett 7, A. Tecoe 8, G. Tipton 9, W. J. Taylor 10, F. Taylor 11, D. Tebbutt 12. For evening service, 726 Grandsire Cinques, with A. Ful lick 10, and J. T. Wall 12 (tenor 43 cwt., in C). Longest length of Cinques by all except the conductor.-On April 4 th, for practice, at St. Chad's, 448 Kent Treble Bob Major; 484 Grandsire Cinques: W. Brooks 1, J. Tudor 2, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 3, W. J. Taylor 4, G. Scarrett 5, W. Stockdale 6, E. R. T. Corbett 7, A. Tecoe 8, E. Jones 9, A. Fullick 10, F. Taylor 11, D. Tebbutt and H. Jones 12. First touch of Cinques by all except the conductor.-On Easter Suuday, at St, Alkmund 's, 197 Stedman Triples: G. Taylor 1, C. R. Lilley 2, F. Taylor 3, E. R. T. Corbett 4, W. Stockdale 5, A. Fullick 6, J. George (conductor) 7, E. Jones 8. Also 336 Kent Treble Bob Major, conducted by C. R. Lilley. After evening service, at St. Mary's, three courses of Grandsire Caters, 197 Stedman Triples, and a course of Forward Major.

WITNEY.-Oxford Diocesan Guild.-On Sunday, April 6th, at St. Hary's Church, on the occasion of a visit by the Bishop of Oxford, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: H. E. Long 1, C. R. Walker 2, E. Brown 3, A. E. Brooks 4, T. Bull 5, J. Monk (conductor) 6, J. Brooks 7, G. Brooks 8.
WEDNESBURY. Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.-At the Parish Church, on April 6th, for evening, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters ( 1295 changes), in 50 mins.: G. Summerhill 1, G. Hughes 2, E. Unitt 3, T. Hugnes 4, W. E. Brittain 5, W. Smith 6, R. Hall 7, J. Screen 8, W. A. Cooper (conductor) 9, M.' B. Smith 10.
CROYDON.-The Surrey Association.-On April 11th, on handbells, at 135, Brighton Road, a quarter-peal of Grandsire ( 1260 changes): A. Clark 1-2, A. J. Perkins (composer and conductor) 3-4, S. R. Roper 5-6, W. Rowe (first quarter-peal on handbells) 7-8. Also a 503 and 504 previously.
GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE. - For evening service, on March 30th, at St. Wuffram's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1259 changes): L. Mears 1, J. Whetstone 2, E. Nedd 3, F. Proctor 4, W Cawton 5, D. Overton 6, F. Turner 7, B. A. Knights 8, S. Proctor (conductor) 9, T. Hall 10.

LEICESTER.-At St. Martin's Church, on April 30th, 1913, to the memory of the late Mr. F. W. Mardyman, a prominent Leicester tradesman, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1261 changes), with the bells half-muffled, in 55 mins., by the following: $S$. Cotton 1, Louis Allen 2, G. Pilmore 3, H. G. Jenney 4, F. H. Dexter (conductor) 5, C. Fowler 6, Leonard Allen 7, J. S. Needham 8, A. Martin 9, A. Taylor 10.

PENGE, KENT.-At St. John-the-Evangelist, on April 1st, 720 Kent Treble Bob, in 26 mins.: *E. Tigwell 1, *A. Bradley 2, G. Wickens 3, ${ }^{*}$ S. Hopkins 4, F. Terry 5, W. Smith (conductor) 6. * First in the method.
ISLIP.-At St. Nicholas' Church, on April 8th, 720 Double Oxford: P. Knighton 1, B. Loveday 2, G. Hewitt 3, R. Loveday 4, W. Knighton 5, T. Jerris (conductor) 6.-On April 13 th, for evening service, 720 Double Oxford: P. Knighton 1, B. Loveday 2, G. Hewitt 3, W. Knighton 4, E. Day 5, T. Jervis (conductor) 6.
FRODSHAM, GHESHIRE.-On Thursday, April 10th, for the wed ding of Mr. G. A. Urmson and Miss D. G. Hutchings, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins. : R. Forster, E. H. Lewis (conductor), F. Unsworth, A. Unsworth, W. Bibby, F. Gleave, T. H. Lightfoot, T Lightfoot. An attempt for a peal was lost, after ringing 1 hr .39 mins. -On April 14th, half-muftled out of respect for Messns. J. Stokes, G. Dunbabin and T. Nicholas, a quarter-peal of Bob Najor (1264 changes), in 55 mins.: R. Forster 1, E. H. Lewis (conductor) 2, F. Unsworth 3, A. Unsworth 4, C. E. Boyers 5, F. Gleave 6, T. H. Lightfoot 7, W. Bibby 8.-On April 16th, for the wedding of Mr II. Ryder, of the Daresbury Society of Ringers, and Miss Dykes, of Manley, a quarter-peal of ford Bob Triples ( 1260 changes) in 49 mins.: R. Forster 1, E. H. Lewis (conductor) 2, F. Unsworth 3, A. Uneworth 4, C. E. Boyers 5, F. Gleave 6, T. H. Lightfoot 7,'T. Lightfoot 8. First quarter-peals in these methods on the bells, and by a local band.

PETTISTREE, SUFFOLK.-On Sunday, April 20th, at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, a "date touch " of 1913 changes of Plain Bob, in 1 hr . 10 mins., with the bells muffled, as a mark of respect for H . Clements, who for some time was a member of the Pettistree band: E H. Dunnett 1, L. Gray 2, W. Reeve, senr., 3, C. Fisher (conductor) 4, R. G. Miles 5, A. Clements 6.

SIIIPLAKE, OXON.-On April 12th, at the funeral of Mrs. C Phillimore, with the bells hal R-muffled, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: A. Sheppard 1, A. Histead 2, O. Porter 3, W. Wicks 4, W. Wenman 5, J. Hiscock 6, G. Cleave 7, C. Prior 8.-On Sunday, Aprii 13th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: A. Sheppard 1, C. Oliver 2, O. Yorter 3, A. Tompkins 4, W. Wicks 5, J. Hiscock 6, G. Cleave (conductor) 7, F. Harris 8. The first in the method by A. Tompkins, who hails from Tring.

HARWELL, BERKS.-Recently, 720 Bob Minor: *E. Cox 1, T, Hughes 2, R. G. Rice (composer and conductor) 3, V. R. Hitchman 4 , G. C. Rice 5, W. Hitchman 6. * First 720. This 720 was composed, conducted and rung by all local men.

KINGSTHORIJE.-At St. John the Baptist Church, on April 15th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 51 mins.: $R$. H. Clarke 1, $H$ Clarke 2, F. Dunkley 3, W. Parsons 4, G. Parker (conductor) 5, W. Hayes, 6. Rung to celebrate the 70th birthday of the ringer of the tenor.

LELCESTER.-On April 18th, at St. Margaret's Church (on front 6), 519 Grandsire Doubles: Miss S. Martin 1, E. Morris (conductor) 2 S. Burton 3, A. Ballard 4, A. Peach 5, J. Morris 6. First 500 by Miss. S. Martin.

MMLTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.-Kent County Association.-On April 15th, 720 Duke of York Treble Bob: G. Collins 1, G. Jones 2, G. Ambrose 3, J. Burles 4, F. Mitchell 5, F. Hayes (conductor) 6.
SHIPLEY, SUSSEX.-On April 15th, 720 Plain Bob: R. H. Bowell 1, Miss B. Mitchell 2, T. Adams 3, G. Lucas 4, W. Denman, junr., 5, A. Cripps (conductor) 6.-On April 22nd, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: Miss B. Mitchell (first attempt at Treble Bob) 1, W. Denman, junr., 2, C Killick 3, G. Lucas 4, J. F. Bowell 5, A. Cripps (conductor) 6 . 360 Cambridge Surprise and Woodbine: Miss B. Mitchell 1, T. Adams 2, J. F. Bowell 3, G. Lucas 4, W. Denman, junr., 5, A. Cripps (conductor) 6; and 240 London Surprise.
PLYMOUTH. - The Devon Guild. - At St. Andrew's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: F. Lovis (first quarterpeal) 1, J. Gluyas 2, A. Mitchelmore 3, G. H. Myers 4, W. Hamblyn 5, W. Shears 6, J. Woodley (conductor) 7, T. Linnell 8.

HEAVITREE--Devon Guild.-On April 17th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples ( 1260 changes), in 48 mins.: J. R. Sandover 1, R. Hamiltom 2, F. W. Richards 3, H. V. Richards 4, T. Laver 5, C. G. Glass 6, J. Howard R. Freeborn (conductor) 7, Sergt.-Major Warner 8.

OURDRIDGE, HANTS.-At St. Peter's Church, on April 18th, 504 Grandsire Triples: R. Elcock (aged 14). first 504, 1, W. Linter 2, F. J. Newland 3, G. Bull 4, W. J. llyves 5, A. Mears (conductor) 6, A. Miears 7, C. Johnson 8.-On April 23rd, four 504's were rung by the local band, in honour of the wedding of Mr. Wm. White, Awbridge, and Miss. Alice Mears, of Curdridge. The conducting was shared by Alfred Mears, W. J. Ryves and Andrew Mears.
RUGBY.-St. Andrew's Society.-At the Parish Church, on April 19th, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Surprise Major, in 52 mins.: W. Taylor 1, W. Malins 2, H. O. White 3, J. A. Fenton 4, A. J. Hessian 5, C. W. Wheeler 6, J. B. Fenton 7, J. Goorge 8.

FORDINGTON.-Salisbury Diocesan Guild.-On April 10th, at St. George's Church, 720 Grandsire Doubles : *Walter Bowering 1, "William Bowering 2, W. Painter 3, G. T. White (conductor) 4, *T. Warren 5, *T. Courage 6. * First 720 .

PRESTWICH, LANCASHIRE.-At the Parish Church, on Sunday, April 13th, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor, with the 6 th and 8 th covering: J. Gratrix 1, F. Barlow 2, W. Bullough 3, H. Eckersall 4, H. Berry (conductor) 5, W. Ford 6, R. Bent 7, W. Bellerby 8. Also 720 for evensong: J. Gratrix 1, F. Barlow 2, W. Bullough 3, H. Eckersall 4, IK. Berry (conductor) 5, W. Foster 6, W. Ford 7, R. Bent 8.

WITNEY, OXON.-The Oxford Guild-On April 14th, 447 Grandsire Triples: A. Long 1, A. Brooks 2, E. Brown 3, N. Spindlow 4, T. Bull 5, J. Monk (conductor) 6, J. Brooks 7, G. Brooks 8. Also 168 in the same method, conductod by T. Bull.-On April 21st, 504 : H. Long 1, A. Brooks 2, H. Hollis 3, N. Spindlow (conductor) 4, E. Brown 5, T. Bull 6. J. Monk 7, G. Brooks 8. Also 447, conducted by J. Monk.
GAERPFHLLIY.-Llandaff Association.-On April 19th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (first by the St. Martin's Church Guild), and first attempt by all except the conductor, who hails from Newport: D. Grimes 1, F. Garrard 2, D. Stephens 3, W. Dare 4, G. Cooke (captain) 5, W. Kathro 6, C. Greedy (conductor) 7, S. Tucker 8.
IANGPORT.-For evensong, on April 20th, 1260 Bob Minor, in 46 mins.: T. Jennes 1, Wm. Tout 2, T. W. Creed 3, A. Wheadon 4, G. Iocke 5, T. J. Lloyd (conductor) 6.

CTILLSGA.-At St. Luke's Church, for evening service, on April 20th, ₹ quarter-peal of Stedman Caters: J. Barber 1, W. Matthews 2, G. Watikin 3, H. Burton 4, A. Newman 5, F. A. Smith 6, E. A. Reeve ?, W. Essery 8, H. Mance (conductor) 9, F. Gibbard 10.

UFTINGHAM.-At the Parish Church, on $\Lambda$ pril 12th, 720 Plain Bob Minor, in 25 mins.: H. Waldren 1, W. Waldren 2, E. Tilly 3, T. Blackburn 4, G. Wright 5, H. Beechey (conductor) 6. This is the conductor's first attempt at any calling. First 720 on the bells for over two years.

KENNINGTON.-Guild of St. John-the-Divine.-On Sunday, April 20th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, from Holt's original (1330 changes), in 44 mins.: F.J. Jerome 1, A. Walton 2, H. J. Walton 3, T. W. Wyatt 4, Alec. S. Miller 5, Arch. T. Miller 6, G. W. Wild (conductor) 7, K. O. Wightman 8.
LONDON.-At St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, on April 20th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), from Shipway, in 50 mins., by: *W. J. Nelder 1, F. Andrews 2, *Rev. J. A. S. Bullock 3, H. Franks 4, F. Walker 5, H. Hills 6, J. Pupleti (Hoddesdon), conductor, 7, *W. Arnold 8. * First quarter-peal.

BENFIELDSIDE.-Durham and Neweastle Association.-At St. Cuthbert's Ohurch, on April 22nd, 720 London Surprise Minor: J. W. Forster 1, Rev. A. W. Lister (first 720 of Surprise) 2, J. Marshall 3, T. H. Surtees 4, A. Charlton 5, F. Barron (conductor) 6.

DEAL.-For evening service, on April 27th, 720 Oxford Bob Minor: J. Axon 1, E. W. Verrier 2, F. A. Holden 3, E. Kemp 4, L. Ladd 5, H. C. Oastle (conductor) 6.-On April 22nd, 360 Canterbury: J. Axon 1, E. Kemp 2, F. A. Holden (conductor) 3, J. Trinder 4, L. Ladd 5, H. C. Castle 6. First in the method by 2nd, 4th and 5th ringers.

SKIPTON.-On Sunday, April 20th, for evening service, touches of Superlative Surprise and Double Norwich, along with 504 of Grandsire Triples, were rung as a farewell to the Rev. H. Ellis Horton, the Curate of the Parish Church, who is leaving to take up office as Minor Canon at Ripon Cathedral, and whose visits to the belfry have been much appreciated by the ringers: H. Horner 1, F. C. Billows 2, J. Garmuch appreciated by the ringers: H. Horner 1, F. G. Billows 2, J. GarJ. McKell 7, W. D. Hillary 8.

WRITTLE, ESSEX.-On April 22nd, in honour of the wedding of Mr. R. H. Eckersly and Miss N. E. A. Rose, 882 Grandsire "Triples was rung as the happy pair left the church, and a quarter-peal by H. J. Tucker was rung later as the bride and bridegroom left for their honeymoon: J. Poole 1, R. Wood 2, F. G. Radley 3, G. R. Crush 4, W. E. Emery 5, T. Lincoln 6, W. Lincoin (condructor) 7, F. Edwards 8.

SUNBURY-ON-THAMES.-St. Mary's Guild. - On April 23rd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 47 mins., with $7,6,8$, covering : W. J. Grigg 1, 'S. G. Pamphlett (conductor) 2, T. H. Culver 3, F. G. Alford 4, W. Warne 5, E. Vivash 6, F. Shephard 7, C. Abbott 8. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Mr. W. H. Sturge, M.D., of Hoddesdon, Herts, and Miss Dorothy Croysdale, daughter of Mr. T. Croysdale, J.P., of Hawke House, and also for' St. George's Day.-On April 20th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles: L. E. Alford 1, W. J. Grigg 6, the rest as before.
COGGESHALL, ESSEX.-On April 26th, three courses London Surplise Major: J. Sadler 1, W. Sadler 2, J. Fleuty 3, F. Claydon 4, A. Shuflebotham 5, E. Newman 6, E. Beckwith 7, D. Elliott 8. Also a course each of Superlative and Cambridge.
WRINGTON.-At All Saints' Church, on April 27th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1260 changes), in 50 mins.: F. W. Nipper (first quarter-peal as conductor) 1, E. Andow 2, H. Seward (longest length) 3, D. Wood 4, W. Perry 5, J. H. B. Hesse 6, G. Colling 7, A. Lane 8.

## WHERE IS IT?

## To the Editor.

Sir',-In a book, "Afoot in England," by Mr. W. H. Hudsen, the naturalist, published in 1909, the author refers to a small ancient town set in a cup-like depression amidst high hills covered with oak woode in a remote district, of which the chief attraction was the church, a very old and stately building, one of the noblest in England, with a Perpendicular tower nearly a hundred feet high, and a magnificent peal of bells which were rung on the Sunday afternoon that he was there. After describing the "glorious storm of sound," lee continues: "Walk ing past the church I followed the streamlet that runs through the town and out by a cleft between the hills to a narrow marshy valley, on the other side of which are precipitous slopes; clothed from base to summit in oak woods. As I walked throught tine cleft, the musioal roar of the bells followed, like a mighty current flowing through and over me; but as I came out the sound from behind ceased suddenly, and. was now in front coming back from the hills before me."
He goes on to describe the peculiar nature of the echo-"it was as if every one of those thousands of oak trees had a peal of bolls in it, and that they were raining that far-up bright spiritual tree-music down into the valley below. As I stood listening, it seemed to me hat I had never heard anything so beautiful, nor had any man," etc.
The only other clue the author gives to the place is that againat the vivid green of the trees he saw the "many gabled tiled roofa nand taill chimneys of the old timbered houses glowing red and warm krown in the brilliant sunshine-a scene of rare beauty," but that althoush be "d never been to the spot before, the place seemed familiar beunse a great railway company had long been booming this romantic spot, and large photographs, plain and coloured, of the town and its quaint buildings had for years been staring at me in every station and every railway carriage which I had entered on that line." And yet I cannot rentify the place. Can yon or any of your readers?
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## THE "ANNUAL OUTING."

The " annual outing " has become a well established institution with a great many of the ringing societies up and down the land, and a very capital institution it is, too. Our columns recently have borne testimony to the activities of ringers in this direction, and one thing is obvious, when members of the Exercise lay themselves out for a day's pleasure they know well how to enjoy themselves. These outings are becoming more popular than ever, and they are certainly a feature which deserves to be encouraged, for they not only bring a day of pleasure into the existence of many a man whose life is, perhaps, otherwise more or less drab, but they afford an occasion for visits to districts and towers where, without these opportunities, such new experiences would be impossible. Fresh towers are thus opened up to ringers, and it is in the nature of a ringing education to many to try their hand in new belfries. Then again, these outings are frequently the occasion of fraternisation between bands, and provide opportunities, which many incumbents are only too ready to grasp, of showing how glad they are to welcome ringers from other churches.

There are, in fact, many happy features about the
" annual outing," which go to make it an event which should receive the support of church authorities as well as of the ringers themselves. There are very few churches where there is not an annual choir excursion provided out of special and publicly subscribed funds; but a ringers' excursion financed from any such source is a rarity. The sinews of war in the case of ringers are generally the hard earned and carefully saved shillings of the men themselves. We like, as ringers, to be independent, but at the same time parishioners, if approached through the right channel, as they are approached in connection with the choir outing, might like to show their appreciation of the ringers' services by dipping their hand into their pocket to help the fund. We could instance cases in which this is already done and done handsomely, but where it is not the case we throw out the hint to the clergy.

While mentioning the "annual outing "' one cannot refrain from referring to the sad fatality which brought to a tragic close the excursion of the Barnstaple ringers last Saturday. Their motor char-a-banc ran back down a hill and turned over into the hedge, killing one of the ringers and injuring six others. With the relatives of the tinfortunate man who lost his life we would express our deep condolence, and to those who were injured we offer our sympathy and our hope for a speedy recovery.

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## TEN BELL PEALS.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(The Blackborn, Bolton, Rochdale and Rossendale Branches.)
On Saturday, July 5, 1913, in Thyee Hours and Six Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GATERS, 5079 CHANGES; Tenor 15 cwt., in F .

| George Pincott | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Treble | Herbert Davenpori | $\ldots$ |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thomas Wilson | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | James Henry Banks | $\ldots$ |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |
| John Watson ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | William Mallinson | $\ldots$ |

* First peal on ten bells. First peal of Stedman Caters by all except the conductor ; also first peal as conductor. First peal of Stedman Caters on the bells. T. Wilson, who is I9 years of age, is the youngest ringer of a peal of Stedman Caters in the county. The peal was rung in honour of Alexandra Day in Blackburn.

KINGSTON-ON-THAMES, SURREY.
THE MIDDIESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, July 5, 1913, in Thice Hours and Twenty-five Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES; Tenor 33 cwt .

| James N. Frossell | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Tyeble | James E. Davis | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alfred W. Grimes | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Reuben Sanders ... | 6 |
| Isabc G. Shade ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | 7 |  |
| Bertram Prewett | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | John H. B. Hesse | $\ldots$ |


Composed by Cornelius Charge, and
Conducted by William .Pye.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.
On Friday, June 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR; 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor i2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
 William R. Small ... ... 3 Relben Hall ... Thomas Hill ... ... ... 4 Alfred Rowle 4 ... ... Tenor

## Composed by Frederick Clayton, and

 Conducted by Alfred Rowley.Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor. Mr. John Barber was proposed a member of the Dudley Guild previous to starting for the peal.

NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LL.ANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, July 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.

* Thomas Max ... ... ...Treble Francis E. B. Charles ... 2 Cornelios Bowen ... ... 3 Arthor E. Morgan ... 4

Tenor 15 cwt .
Absalom Thomas ... $\cdots \frac{5}{5}$ John Butler... Frederick Atwell... ... 7 Frederick Stanbury $\ldots$...Tenor
E. B. Charles.

* First peal. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Mr . Hugh Watts, son of the donor of the church and bells, and for 12 years churchwarden at the above church, who was interred on the above date at Newport Cemetery.

BISHOPWEARMOUTH. SUNDERLAND.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, July 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

## At the Chorch of St. Michael,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
T. Thurstans' Bob and Single Five-Part. Tenor ing cwt. *William Oxley... ... ...Treble Thomas W. Ditchburn 5 $\dagger$ Michael F. Harrison .... 2 Joseph W. Parker ... 6
 $\dagger$ John Pickering ... ... 4 Richard W. Langion ...Tenor Conducted by J. W. Parker.

- First peal. † First peal of Grandsire. $\ddagger$ First peal of Grandsire away from the tenor.

STOKE-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE. THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION. On Tuesday, July 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

 Conducted by Sidney Churton.

* First peal of Triples. $\dagger$ First peal of Grandsire Triples with a bob bell. This peal was arranged for A. Shuftlebottom, of Braintree, Essex, D. Preston, of Bucknall, and E. Tigwell, of Biddulph, and was rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Duke of Sutherland.


## HATFIELD, HERTS

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, July 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Ethelreda,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thurstans' Four-Part.
John T Therish Junr...Treble | Tenor 26 cwt.
John T. Kentish, Junr....Tveble $\mid$ George E. Howchin ... 5 George N. Price ... ... 2 Ralph Shepherd ... ... 6 Joseph J. Powers ... ... 3 Edward Whitbread ... 7 *William Nash ... ... ... 4 George Smith... ... ... Tenor

Conducted by George N. Price.

- First peal.

NORTON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Chorch of St. James,

## a Peal of stedman triples, 5040 Changes;

Odd-Bob Composition.
Frank R. Cundale ... ...Treble Arther Knights... ... ... 2
Samuel Wesley..
John H. Brothwell...

Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Clement Glenn … ... 5 Walter Allwood ... ... 6 William Biggin ... ... 7

Composed by The Rev. E. Bankes James, and Conducted by Clement Glenn.

HOGHTON, LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Preston Branch.)
On Saturday, July 5, 1913, in Thvee Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor I3 cwt. I qr. Io lbs.
*John Fowler ... ... ...Tyeble | William Taylor ... ... 5 Fred Harwood $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ Robert Sanderson...... .5 E. Roger Martin ... $\cdots$... 3 Albert E. Woodhouse ... 7 Edward Armstrong ... 4 *William Fowler ... ... Tenor Composed by Edwin Timbrell, and Conducted by E. R. Martin.

* First attempt for a peal in the method. The composition contains 4 th and 6 th their extent right in 13 courses, and is now rung for the first time.

STONEY STANTON.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(Leicester Society.)
On Saturday, July 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES; A Variation of Haley's. Tenor if cwt.
Henry Briggs ... ... ...Treble Ernest Morris ... ... 5 Samuel Cotton ...... Charles H. Fowler … 3 Alfred Martin ... ... 7 Arthur S. Pettit ... ... 4 *Charles H. Briggs ...Tenor Arranged and Conducted by F. H. Dexter.

* First peal of Stedman. This composition has no two or six bob sets, and was the quickest ever rung on these bells.

BIRCH-IN-RUSHOLME. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. James,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES;

Thomas Botirill
Frederick Page..
William Holbrook
J

Joserf Lowe ... ... .... 4 Robert Davies ... ....Tenor Composed by J. Thorp, and
The peal was rung on the 67 th anniversary of the church, the 50th anniversary of the bells, the 5oth anniversary of Mr . W. E. Ryder's connection with ringing, and Mr. W. Holbrook's 50th birthday. The band wish to thank the Rector for the use of the bells and Mr . Ryder for having them in readiness.

## BRISTOL

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Saturday, July 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;
Johnson's Variation of Middleton's. Tenor i8 cwt. Albert Stowell ... ...Treble | William Knight ... ... 5 Fred G. May ... ... ... 2 J John Burford...... Raymond J. Wilkins.. .3 George Condick ... 3 ... 7 George R. Pye... ... ... 4 A Alfred E. Reeves.... ... Tenor Conducted by Fred G. May.
The peal was rung in honour of the coming-of-age of the eldest son of G. T. Daltry, tower keeper of All Saints' Church.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

DENVER, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, July 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor lo cwt. H. Robinson ... ... ...Treble W. Goodrem ... ... ... 4 | Alf. Bacon... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | N. Hawes ... ... ....... 3 3 J. Mardell ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by B. M. Targett.

First peal on the bells for the Norwich Association.
BARCOMBE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, July 3, 1913, in Tüo Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHAHGES;
Being 42 Six-Scores. Tenor 7 cwt 2 qr .91 bs .
Leonard H. Stevens ...Treble $\mid$ Albert E. Anscombe ... 4 *Sidney B. Richards … 2 James Morley ... ... Albert E. Edwards ... 3 | Harry Funnell ... ...Tenor Conducted by Albert E. Anscombe.

* First peal with a bob bell. Rung as a farewell peal to and as a mark of appreciation of the services of the Rev. C. Toogood, M.A., who has been curate of the parish for 13 years and who is leaving to take the living of Burpham, near Arundel.


# HANDBELL PEAL. <br> WHITBY, YORKSHIRE. 

THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, Tuly 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,

## At the Residence of Mr. W. Harland, PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES ;

*William A. Breckon ... 1 - 2 | George F. Alexander James Cotterell... ... 3 -4 Albert Coates

Composed and Conducted by G. F. Alexander.
Umpire: William Harland.

* First peal of Major on handbells. First handbell peal rung in the town of Whitby. The ringer of 3-4 hails from Halifax.


## LATE PEAL.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Monday, July 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 日OB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES ;
Tenor 20 cwt.

| Thomas Doble ... ... ...Treble | Frederick S. Case... |
| :---: | :---: |
| Rev. C. Carew Cox ... 2 | Rev. E. V. Cox ... ... 6 |
| *David G. Taylor ... ... 3 | Samuel J. Hector... ... 7 |
| William D. James... ... 4 | Joseph Maddock ... ...Tenor |
| Composed by J. Conducted by the | Trollope, and C. Carew Cox. |
| * First peal of Major. The rin Poole and Trowbridge respectively | of the 5 th and 7 th belong to |

## RINGER KILLED IN MOTOR ACCIDENT BARNSTAPLE BAND'S TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE,

A shocking accident, involving loss of life, and injuries to a number of ringers, occurred on Saturday during the annual outing of the Barnstaple Parish Church company.

A merry party, numbering 14, left the town in a motor char-a-banc for Exeter. and all went well until the neighbourhood of Oakford was reached. The excursionists had been enjoying the exhilarating ride, but the car got into difficulties on a very steep hill, and, to the alarm of the occupants, began to run backwards. The brakes failed to act, and, the driver losing control, the vehicle crashed into a hedge and overturned. A sceze of confusion followed, and it mas quickly obvious that sereral of the party were badly injured. One of their number, Mr. William Goss, aged 60, and for many years a ringer at Barnstaple, was terribly crushed, and died soon after being dragged from under the car.
In all, six other members of the party receired cuts and bruises, and the excursion, which opened so happily, came to a tragic ending. It is stated that the Oakford route was followed at the request of Goss.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## ROCHDALE BRANCH NEW SECRETARY

The monthly meeting of the Rochdale Branch was held at Moorside, on Saturday, Mr. Samuel Stott presiding. Ringers were present from Moorside, Oldham, Glodwick. Middleton, Rochdale, Balderstone, Milnrow, Nerhey, Pendleton, Tyldesley. Mr. Joseph Ogden was elected secretary in place of Mr. J. H. Bastow, who set sail for America on Wednesclay, July 2nd. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Rochdale Parish Church on August 2nc. - A rote of thanks to the Vicar and wardens for the use of the bells, also to the chairman for presiding, brought the business meeting to a close. The methods rung during the day were: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and Plan Bob and Kent Treble Bob Major.

## THE SUSSEX ASSOCIATION

A quarterly meeting of the Western Division of the Sussex Association was held at Lyminster, on Saturday week, and was fairly well attended. Touches of Minor and Doubles were rurg in the afternoon, and in the Parish Room, situated in the Vicarage grounds, an excellent tea was kindly provided by the Vicar (the Rev. I. T. Andrews), who presided. Ringers were present from Augmering, Arundel, Goring, Heene, Shoreham, West Tarring, and the local band, numbering 26

After the tea the usual business meeting was held. -Four new members *ere elected, and the Vicar was elected an hon. member.-Mr. Stalham proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the chairman for providing the tea and granting the use of the bells.-The Rev. P. T. Andrews, in reply, gave the risitors a cordial welcome, and a few useful hints on their duties as church workers. -The Vicar then kindly invited the ringers to take a walk round the Vicarage grounds, and this was much enjoyed.
The belfry was then again visited, and ringing continued till 8.20. Arundel bells were also at the disposal of the ringers after tea, and altogether the meeting proved very enjoyable.

## LONDON RINGER DROWNED.

The sad death of Mr. F. A. Nunn, a well-known London ringer, has to be recorded this week. The deceased, who was in the employ of Messis. Warner and Sons, had been engaged on the work at Chelmsford Parish Church, and on the evening of Wednesday in last week was ringing with the band at Writtle. He left there at 10 p.m., and walked to Cholmsford with Mr. A. Head, who left him about in p.m. The next morning his body was found by some bargemen in the river at Boreham. At the inquest, a verdict of "Found drowned "was returned.
On the previous Sunday Mr. Nunn took part in a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples at Writ.tle, rung for evening service, by: $T$. Lincoln 1. F. W. Edwards 2, F. G. Radley 3, F. A. Nunn 4, H. Head 5, A. Head 6. W. Lincoln (onnductor) 7, F. Edwards 8. Mr. Nunn's death has come as a great shock to his ringing friends, and much sympathy will go out to his bereaved wife and family.

## LINCOLN GUILD.

On Saturday last, a very successful meeting of the Southern Branch was held at Edenham, 30 members being present from Grantham, Bourne, Stamford, Edenham, Ingoldsby, Colsterworth, Boothby, and Surfieet. Service was held in the church, the lesson being read by the Yicar of Edenham, and an eloquent sermon preached by the Rev. H. Law James.-Tea was provided at the Five Bells Inn, after which the business meeting followed, the President of the branch (the Rev. E. W. Carpenter) occupying the chair. Considerable discussion took place as to where the October meeting should be held, and eventually Stamford was selected.-Six new members were elected, including Master E. A. Markwoll, aged 10 years.-The Secretary complained of the very dilatory manner in which some of the members paid their subscriptions, and also brought to the notice of the members the fact that no account of the Diocesan Guild meeting which was held at Lincoln in April last, and at which over 200 members were present, appeared in "The Ringing World."-A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar of Edenham (the Rev. A. Galton) for the use of the bells; the Rev. Law James for the service, and the Rev. E. W. Carpenter for presiding at the meeting; also to the organist and choir, and the ladies who helped to make the service so very successful.-During the day, touches of Plain Bob, Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge and London Surprise Minor were zung.
[The absence of an account of the Lincoln Guild annual meeting, complained of above, was owing to the fact that although a request was directed to the proper quarter, no report was sent for publication.Ed. "R.W."]

## HONOURING A FREEMAN AT RYE

Mr. Walter Dawes, town clerk of Rye, Sussex, was presented with the Freedom of the Ancient Town on IIonday afternoon. The Mayor and Corporation resolved to have the bells rung in honour of the function, and to remunerate the ringers by granting them a similar sum out of the public purse as is paid for ringing on several royal days in the year. The Town Hall is situated within a few yards of the church and immediately the privilege had been conferred, and the recipient had signed the roll, the sergeant of police signalled to the ringers who were on the church roof, and the bells sounded forth, while simultaneously the Union Jack was hoisted at the Town Hall, and the flag bearing the borough arms commenced fluttering in the breeze ai the summit of the mast on the ancient gateway, known as the Landgate. After a capital round, an excellent touch of Grandsire Triples was rung by : P. Giles, L. T. H. Seers, C. Price, J. B. Bennett, TV. Bennett, G. J. Youngs, G. Billenness (conductor), and G. Perrin. Subsequently more rounds were tapped in nice style, others taking part in the ringing being: W. Wood, E. Curd, D. Martin, D. Craig and N. Allcorn. It was a great pleasure to the ringers to ring for the event, becatise, like all the inhabitants, they thoroughly appreciate Mr . Dawes wise counsel in the administration of municipal affairs, and know that he has always had the interest of the ancient town endeared in his heart. Furthermore, Mr. Dawes has also been exceedingly kind to the Rye ringers. He subscribed liberally to them at Christmas time, and on more than one occasion they have been favoured with instructions from him to ring for weddings in his family circle.

## PRESENTATION TO MR. B. PREWETT

On Sunday, the Rev. G. M. Hall, Vicar of Bushey, presented Nr. B. Prewett with a barometer, a gift from the Rector, churchwardens, and his brother ringers on the occasion of his marriage, which takes place to-morrow (Saturday) at Bushey Church.
The Rector, in making the presentation, said they all knew how much Mr. Preweit had done for the society. Englishmen as a rule did not like being told how much they were appreciated, but this now gave him the opportunity of saying how very much they all appreciated what Mr. Prewett had done for the Bushey Society, and he hoped by Mr. Prewett marrying and living at Bushey his ties with the society would become stronger. They all wished him long life and every happiness.
Mr. Prewett suitably responded, and said he was pleased to do all he could, and thought the society was now in a better position than it had ever been. This had been brought about by the band sticking together, and he hoped their success would continue.
The mecting of the Eissex Association reported last week as being held at Stonechurch, was held at Hornchurch.

## SALISBURY GUILD. <br> VISIT TO MILTON ABBEY.

The members of the Dorchester District of the Salisbury Guild had a most enjoyable summer meeting at the grand old Abbey at Milton, which was visited at the kind invitation of Sir Everard Hambro, K.C.V.O. The party, who diove to Milton, numbered 56, and represented Dorchester St. Peter's, Fordington St. George, Upwey, Wyke Regis, Puddletown, West Lulworth, Hilton, and Milton. Among those present were the Rev. W. Percy Schuster, .Vicar of West Lulworth (hon. general secretary of the Guild), Messrs. R. N. Dawes, of Dor-
ducted over the stately Abbey Church by the Vicar, and afterwards visited the beautiful and well-kept gardens.
Ringing at the Abbey and Hilton brought the pleasant proceedings to a close.

## HOW MILTON ABBEY LOST ITS BELLS

With regard to the spoliation of the ancient bells of Milton Abbey, Mr. J. R. Jerram writes that in the "Church Bells of Dorset" (by the late Canon Raven), the following note appears:-." Towards the end of the 18th century, Joseph Damer, Lord Milton (lord of the manor) decided to pull down the old town of Milton. Mr. Harrison, a resident solicitor, put a difficulty in his lordship's way by refusing to sell bis


Milion Abbey.
chester (chairman of the branch), C. H. Jenuings, of Wyke Regis (branch hon. secretary and treasurer), George T. White (ringing master), and J. Benger (deputy master). Although it was the merry time of haymaking, there was a full attendance of the local band of ringers. Among the party was a welcome risitor-Mr. Coles, of Bridgwater, a well-known ringer.
A writer in the "Dorset County Chronicle," says the drive to Milton, on so lovely an afternoon, was much enjoyed, and the exquisite sight with which the journey ended put a crowning touch to it. In the noble tower there is a good peal of eight bells, though hardly comparable, doubtless, with the fine old bells of which the tower was dispossessed by the irascible Lord Milton towards the end of the eighteenth century.
The Milton and Hilton bells were, by the oourtesy of the incumbents and church officers, available for the visitors to practice on from two o'clock onwards. A special Guild service was held in the Abbey Church. It was conducted by the Rev. W. P. Schuster; the Rev. H. A. Caryl (of Hilton) read the lessons, and the Vicar (the Rev. Herbert Pentin) gave one of the most interesting addresses to which the ringers have ever listened, his subjest being bells in general, and the story of Milton's bells in particular, "pointing the moral"" as well as "adorning the tale." The musical service was of a high order.
Tea was served in a marquee pitched on the lawn. Sir Edward Hambro, at whose hospitable invitation the party sat down, was away, but his son, Mr. Angus Hambro, M.P., welcomed them heartily in his father's name. He was supported in the chair by the Revs. Herbert Pentin, W. P. Schuster, H. A. Caryl, and A. L. Helps (Vicar of Puddletown), and the officers of the branch.
The Rev. W. P. Schuster afterwards woiced the gratitude of the ringers to Sir Everard Hambro for his kind invitation and entertainment: and Mr. Angus Hambro, in reply, assured the visitors how pleased his father was to welcome them there, adding that he hoped that some day they would come again.-Mr. Jennings expressed his thanks to the Milton band of ringers for their careful arrangements for the meeting.
Mr. Dawes presided over the short business meeting. It was decided to hold the next meeting either at Upwey or at Abbotsbury. Regret was expressed that the Abbotshury band of ringers have not yet joined the Guild, and the hope was breathed that a meeting in that charming monastic village might help them to take this very desirable step and so strengthen the ranks of the affiliated ringers.
On leaving the marquee, the party were photographed in a group by Mr. Howes (verger of Dorchester St. Peter's). They were then con-
lease, although he was offered three times its value. So the water crept around his premises. Mr. Harrison then entered an action against Lord Milton for flooding his house, and the lawyer won his case. A few days afterwards his lordship went to London, and on his way to Blandford he heard the bells of the Abbey Church ringing. This he interpreted as a sign of parochial joy at his defeat and departure; and nothing would satisfy him but the sale of the offending be'ls. The bells were really ringing to commemorate Guy Fawkes Day; it was the 5th of November. But the bells had to go, for Lord Milton, the autocrat, had spoken; and his friend, the Dean of Norwich, had said that 'bell ringing caused much idleness and drinking.' The great tenor bell, we1ghing 35 cwt., was sold to Bath Abbey; two other bells were given to St. James' Church, Milton (one of which was cracked by a carpenter striking it with a hammer, at a wedding, just before it was hung) ; but what became of the Abbey bells is not known. There is a record, however, that when the parishioners saw their old bells carted away, they stood at their house doors weeping." The old bells were five in number.

At the present time the Abbey tower contains a light peal of eight, tenor about 10 cwt. The front three cast by Llewellins and James, 1909, and the back five by Warner and Sions, 1861.
The old tenor, sold to Bath Abbey, is not in existence now, having been twice recast since it was sold.

## DEVIZES BRANCH MEETING.

A monthly meeting of the Devizes branch was held at St. Katherine's Church, Holt, Wilts, on Saturday, when there were present the Rev. G. A.S. Metford (Vicar of Holt), the Rev. H. E. Tilney-Bassett (Rector of Beechingstoke, and Master of the Guild), Mr. H. Brownlee West (hon. branch secretary), together with ringing members from Bradford-on-Avon, Westbury, Trowbridge, Devizes St. John, Holt, Southbroom, Keevil, Devizes St. Mary, Beechingstoke and Bishops Cannings.-After ringing during the afternoon an adjournment was made to the New Inn for tea, to which 22 sat down and enjoyed a capital repast.-A short business meeting followed, at which six new members from Holt tower were duly elected as members of the Guild, the Vicar of Holt also becoming an hon. member.- A hearty vote of thanks, proposed by the Rev. H. E. Tilnes-Bassett, and seconded by Mr. H. Brownlee West, was accorded to the Vicar for his kindness in presiding at the meeting, and also for the use of the bells. The company then returned to the tower, where ringing was continued until 8 p.m., bringing to a close a very successful and enjoyable meeting.

## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

## THE SOUTHW゙ARK CATHEDRAL SOCIETY.

The members and friends of this society, to the number of 27 , had their annual outing on Sunday last, when they visited Pulborough. This old-world Sussex village was reached at $9.10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. in plenty of time for ringing at St. Mary's Church for the morning service. Then, after a ramble along the river, the visitors adjourned to the Arun Hotel, where dinner was served. In the afternoon the party had a drive to Billingshurst, and had several touches on the bells of St. Mary's Church, returning to Pulborough for tea. Although the weather was not favourable to the party's enjoyment, the company made the best of it, and arrived home safe and sound at 8 p.m. The society wish to tender their thanks to Messrs. T. Mash, S. Pettitt, J. Lewis and T. A. Ellis for arranging the outing, and the steeple keepers at Pulborough and Billingshurst for the use of the bells.

IN THE PEAK DISTRICT.
The annual outing of the St. Andrew's, Derby, choir and bell ringers, took place on Saturday week, and as usual was a memorable event. The party, numbering about 30, took train to Matlock Bath, where they boarded a motor char-a-banc, which conveyed them through the glorious scenery of the Peak district, passing Darley Dale, with the lovely Whitworth gardens looking their best; Beeley, with its low square church tower, which interested the ringing fraternity; Chatsworth Park, and Edenson and Baslow, where a short halt was called, and most of the party took the opportunity of inspecting the church. Afterwards the route lay through Froggat Edge, the Duke of Rutland's grouse moors, to Grindleford, and along roads of a zig-zag order, which gave some of the company exciting thrills as the car flew round the corners. At Grindleford the party lunched, and then sped off again for Eyam, Monsel Dale and Bakewell, where the ringers were able to have a pull on the bells, for which Mr. Alf. Wallace had kindly obtained permission. Touches of Stedman and Duffield were rung, and then came dinner. After the meal. the Vicar, who occupied the chair, expressed his thanks to the choir and ringers for their services, which were greatly appreciated by all at St. Andrew's. Mr. Baker, the organist, and Mr. Hart, captain of tie belfry, responded.-.A vote of thanks was accorded to the churchwardens, and especially to Mr. Blake for the excellept arrangements. The return to Matlock was then made, and safely reached after a motor iour of 70 miles

## READING RINGERS' TRIP

The members of St. Lawrence's tower, Reading, with their Capt. (Mr. W. Newell) and the Vicar (the Rev. R. P. Newhouse) had a pleasant trip on the longest day of the year. Leaving Reading at 2 p.m., some by trap and some by bicycle, they made their way to Hurst, where they had some good ringing, the Vicar taking part. The new tower of Twyford was the next objective, where on the new musical peal recently erected by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, the party enjoyed several touches. By the kindness of the Vicar rooms, and, after enjoping the good thinge, made their way to Sonning, where the bells, lately rehung by Messrs. Taylor and Co., were turned to Grandsire and Stedman, after which the party set out for home. The pleasure of the half-day outing was increased by the excellent "go" of each of the three peals of bells, and the ringers wish to thank specially to thank the Vicar of Twyford for his hospitality.

## THROUGH THE YORKSHIRE DALES.

The ringers of the Holy Trinity Church, Skipton-in-Craven, with a few friends, had their annual outing on Saturday week, and it proved to be one of the most pleasant experienced. The party, numbering 17, started about 7 oclock for Wharfedale, and had a stay of half an hour at Buckden. They then went on via Cray, up the steep Kitson by all. Bishopdale-delightful in the early morning-was next passed, and Aysgarth was reached. The church and the renowned Aysgarth Foss were visited by the party. From the pretty Wensleydale village they sped on to Leyburn, where dinner was partaken of at the Black Swan Hotel, and all joined in praise of Mrs. Beswick's catering. The old garrison town of Richmond next received a visit, where the Castle was inspected, and a saunter in the market place of this renowned Swaledale town was enjoyed. The motor char-a-bane then continued its journey to Ripon, where tea was partaken of at the Studley Royal Hotel, the Cathedral tower was risited, and touches of Kent, Grandsire, and Double Norwich were rung on the back eight. The thanks of the party are due to the Dean of Ripon for allowing the use of the bells, and also to the Rev. H. Ellis Horton, late curate of Skipton Parish ringing. The homeward journey was begun at 8.30 , and was made through Harrogate and Otley, Skipton being reached before eleven through Harrogate and Otley, Skipton being reached before eleven Dales, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

## IRTHLINGBOROUGH MEN IN LONDON.

The ringers of Irthlingborough Parish Church spent a week-end in London for their annual outing. At St. Pancras Station they were met by Mr. J. D. Matthews, who had kindly made all arrangements, and consented to act as guide to the party, who were eight in number. After lunch, the famous bell foundry of Messrs. John Warner and Sons, Spitalfields, was visited. Mr. Robert Warner himself conducted
the party round, and giving a detailed acoount of the work of bel founding in every department. Among the many things the party saw were the weighing of York Minster tenor, belonging to the peal of twelve (the rehanging of which the firm have in hand), the nett weight being 50 cwt .1 qr .23 lbs ; and the bells of Shoreditch, which were being recast and tuned on the Canon Simpson principle. Several wellknown ringers were met at the foundry, and joined in a course of Bob Major, on handbells. Before leaving, the party were photographed among York Minster bells. After passing a voto of thanks to Mr Robert Warner for his kindness, Spitalfields Church was visited, and a course of Bristol Surprise rung, although the bells were not exactly like Irthlingborough. After dinner, various places of interest were visited, and in the evening the party gathered at the Churah of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, where courses of London and Superlative were rung, after which the camera was again faced. A visit was also paid to the London County meeting, at Blackfriars, where another course of London came round. On Sunday morning, St. Martin' 6 -in-the-Fields was the meeting place and although Stedman Cinques was attempted and lost, Stedman Caters were brought round. In the afternoon the party visited Mr. A. W. Grimes', and handbell ringing was indulged in until evening, when they rang for service at St. Margaret's, Westminster, after which the journey home was made.-The party wish to take this opportunity of thanking Mr. J. D. Matthews for so kindly making arrangements, the various clergy for the use of the bells, and, last but not least, the London ringers who were met, for their kindly welcome, which went far to make the outing such a pleasant one long to be remembered by all.

## IN THE FEN DISTRICT.

The St. Mary's Society, Fen Ditton, had their annual outing on Saturday week, and spent a most enjoyable day among towers in the Fen district. Starting on the home bells with 120 each of New and Bob Doubles, they set out for Chesterton, where 216 Bob Minor was rung. A pleasant brake ride then brought them to Streatham, where two six-scores of Stedman Donbles were brought, round. The biggest success of the day, however, was achieved at Wilburton, where the first 720 of Minor ever rung by the Fen Ditton Society on tower bells was brought round by: J. Martin 1, H. Wishbeach 2, H. Newnan 3, A. Palmer 4, G. Hibbins (first as conduotor) 5, L. Mallion 6. Afterwards the towers of Haddenham and Sutton were visited, and short touches of Minor rung at each place. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Vicars of the various parishes for the use of the bells.

## A TWENTY-FOUR HOURS' OUTING

The Bradpols ringers enjoyed a full day's outing of 24 hours, when they held their annual excursion. On Saturday week they visited London, travelling in specially reserved accommodation. placed at their disposal by the G.W.R. The teditum of the journey of nearly 150 miles was happily, beguiled, and on reaching Padington the merry party of 17 took motor 'buses to London Bridge, where friends were awaiting them. These included the Rev. C. F. Langford, Vicar and a ringer; Mr. A. M. Broadley, his warden; Mr. R. Broadley, of London; Mr. A. Brewis, of Newcastle; and Messrs. A. and L. Hughes and Watson, of London

The train being half an hour behind the scheduled time, the party had to forego the pleasure of a pull on the famous peal of twelve at St. Saviour's, as well as content themselves with a curtailed account of the beauty of this Cathedral, ably given by the dean's verger, Mr. Hutchings. Still, they managed to lave a peep at the bells, and the more nimble even went to the top of the tower and obtained an unique view of the city and river. They then adjourned to the Bridge House Hotel, where Mr. A. M. Broadley had ordered a most sumptuous repast, and under his genial chairmanship a merry party of 24 sat down. Grace was sung in hearty fashion, before and after the meal, and then folVisitors". -but time flew, and the speeches had to be necessarily short, still not so short but what plans were spoken of for next yea
Mr. A. Hughes having been hurriedly called away, a capital substitute was found in his son, who made an ideal cicerone for a visit to the oldest established business with a continuous history and existence in London-the celebrated Whitechapel Bell Foundry. And what an interesting hour it was, as he, with an expert's knowledge, explained in detail the process of turning out a bell, from the builling up of the mould to the hanging of the finished article. His lucid remarks were judiciously illustrated by the many samples of work in their various stages which they had in the foundry, and many of the party must have come away with a much fuller knowledge of the making of bells than they previously had.

Many of the band never having heard a peal of twelve rung, a move was next made to St. Giles' Church, Cripplegate, where a peal board was to be unveiled and ringing indulged in. Just as the party arrived the bells were being raised, and they sat in the ringing chamber interested lookers on, and listeners to an interesting event. Hot weather and a bad going tenor did not add to the correctness of the striking, but many of the party for the first time listened to Stedman Cinques.
Having separated for an liour, the party gathered again at Messrs. Lyons, in St. Martin's Lane, for tea, at the conclusion of which they visited the Coliselum for the evening performance, and enjoyed a thoroughly bigh-class three hours' entertainment, which included some superb extracts from Warner's 'Parsifal." Magnificently staged tableaux were, if possible, surpassed by the exquisite music most beatifully played by a very fine orchestra, under the conductorship of Sir Henry

Wood. In this music the composer has founded a wonderful theme on the notes of four bells, and in the performance bells are actually used, the four having been chosen by Sir Henry Wood himself, on account of their purity of tone, after a visit to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry. After a slow return journey Bradpole was reached just after 7 a.m., but, though they had had a 24 hours' day, the members were not so tired but that a full band turned up to ring for morning service.
To everyone who in any way helped to make the day so enjoyable the ringers tender their warmest thanks, for it was a most pleasant day, judiciously planned, ably organised, and thoroughly appreciated by all.

## ROUNI ABOUT BEDFORD.

The fifteenth annual outing of the St. John the Baptist's Society, Leytonstone, was spent in the neighbourhood of Bedford. The arrangements were made by Mr. C. W. Clarke and, needless to add, everything for the enjoyment and comfort of the visitors was assured. The excursion extended over two days, and the party left home at 4.40 a.m. on the Saturday. They had breakfasted in Bedford by 8.30 a.m., and, accompanied by Mr. C'arke, set out by pair-horse brake for Cardington, $2 \frac{1}{2}$ miles away. On the fine peal of eight (tenor 22 cwt.), in

720 London surprise rolled home in great style
The next point of call was St. Owen's, Bromham, with a peal of six tenor 23 cwt., in E, held by many experts to be the best peal of six in the country. A meeting of the Beds Assoclation was being held at the church, which stands in a beautiful park, and as the visitors approached the grand ring of bells was being turned in by men and maidens of Bedfordshire, and the perfect harmony of the peal held the listeners like a spell as it floated on the still air of a summer afternoon The Vicar gave the visitors a welcome, and invited them to join the members of the Beds Association at tea on the Vicarage lawn, an invitation which, it goes without saying, was gratefully accepted. The company numbered altogether about 50, including Misses Evelyn and Dorothy Steele.-Mr. Black, on behalf of the Leytonstone company, thanked the Vicar for his kind hospitality, and the Beds Association for their condial welcome. While the business was being transacted the excursionists visited the tower, and bronght round 720 Lincoln Surprise, and were congratulated upon the striking. The last tower of the day was Biddenham, where 720 York Surprise was conducted by M. Clarke. As the evening shadows were falling, the party made their way back to Bedford, where a social hour was spent before retirthei
ing.


JRTHLINGROROUGH RINGERS AT MESSRS. WARNER AND SON゙S' FOUNDRY
In the picture York Minster Tenor can be see 1 on the scales.
the new tow :r of St. Mary's Church, 448 Superlative was rung, followed by Stedman and Grandsire Triples. After an inspection of the church, Willington was risited, and on the handy ring of six at the pretty Church of St. Lawrence 720 Carlisle Surprise and two courses of Oxford Treble Bob were brought round. The picturesque village of old Warden was the next call. At this charming place, where the pretty church, containing much fine oak carving, nestles amid the trees, 720 Ipswich Surprise was well rung, as well as touches of Cambridge and Treble Bob with the local men. In the garden of the Hare and Hounds the visitors sat down to a substantial dinner, and afterwards drove on to Elstowe, the birthplace of John Bunyan. The cottage in which he was born and the memorials in the church were reminders of a wonderful man. In the quaint old tower, which stands away from the church, 720 Durham Surprise was brought ronnd, as well as a touch of Treble Bob. At the next place of call, All Saints', Kempton, the party were reinforced by the arrival of Mr. Black (Master of S.W. Division of the Fissex Association). Some difficulty was experienced in getting the use of the bells here, as the local "stony" band objected to strangers ringing on the bells, "as they always alter the ropes," but the Vicar, who evidently favours half-pull ringing, gave the party a welcome, and

After the high pressure of Saturday, Sunday was spent quietly. The -isitors assembled at St. Peter's Church, where they rang 720 Wells Surprise and a touch of Cambridge for morning service, and in the afternoon some of the more energetic walked to Biddenham, and rang London for afternoon serrice. In the evening they met at St. Paul's Church, and augmented by members of the lccal band, rang 519 Stedman Caters, and a course of Treble Bob Royal. Then a pleasant hour was spent with the Bedford ringers, and the 8.45 express carried the Leytonstone men home, after a very successful outing in lovely weather.

The visitors wish to thank all who did so much to make the outing a successful one-the clergy who entertained them and gave them permission to ring, the ringers who gathered to meet and welcome them, especially Mr. C. W. Clarke, who not only made all arrangements, and piloted the party, but took the vacant rope in Superlative. Stedman etc., and thus completed the band. Those who took part in the exetc., and thus completed the band. Dessis. F. Doran. W. Doran, A. Fiddis, G. A. Black, S. Hayes, W. Miller, J. Moule, A. Prior, H. Torble, W. Theobald and H. Saffell. To the regret of all. Mr. G. Dawson (the secretary) was unablo to accompany the party through the death of his mother.

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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

A YORKSHIRE VICE-PRESIDENT.

The Yorkshire Association has two vice-presidents, and both are widely known and just as widely respected. One is Mr. Charles Henry Hattersley, of Sheffield, and the other Mr. George Bean Bolland, of Tong. Each in his sphere has been a pillar of the Exercise to whom the Yorkshire Association owes not a little, and both are men whom the members delight to honour. Alike in their devotion to the Art, they have yet served it in different ways, and to Mr. Bolland is in no small measure due the present recognition which is given to peals of Minor. There was a time when 5040's on six bells were little thought of among those who practiced upon the higher numbers of bells and when the tendency was to look upon them merely as " per-


Mr. George B. Bolland.
formances," and to put them into a different category to peals on seren and upwards. But thanks to the pertinacity with which Mr. Bolland and others championed the cause of the six-bell ringers, 5000 's of Minor rank now on a footing with peals on other numbers of bells.

Coming from sturdy yeoman stock, Mr. Bolland was born on February 2nd, $185^{2}$, on the farm which he now occupies at Tong-a quaint old rillage about five miles from Bradford, and now within the city boundaries, drawn in, as so many other of our English villages have been, by the irresistible expansion of the great towns. But Tong is still a peaceful village, in the life of which Mr. Bolland has worthily played his part.

His association with ringing began when he was sixteen years old. At that time he took the place of one of the band who had removed from the village, and Mr.

Bolland has been an active member of the company ever since-a space of 45 years. From his youth up Mr. Bolland was ever characterised by a genialty of manner and a readiness to give advice and assistance to any ringer or band who asked it, and as an illustration of this it may be mentioned that at one time he undertook the tuition of two companies, who met four times each week, and for more than six months joined them at every practice, which entailed a walk of over four miles each time.

Despite the claims which his occupation of farmer neces. sarily makes upon him, Mr. Bolland has an excellent record as a ringer, not the least important feature of which is his long record of regular Sunday service ringing. His list of peals with the Yorkshire Association is as follows:

| Minor | 51 | Conducted | 46 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Kent Treble Bob Major | 53 | Conducted | Io |
| Kent Treble Bob Royal | I |  |  |
| Cambridge Surprise Major | 3 |  |  |
| Oxford Treble Bob Major | I |  |  |
| Bob Major ................ | I |  |  |
| Ditto (on handbells) | I |  |  |
| Grandsire Triples | I |  |  |
| Total | 112 | Conducted | 56 |

Among these there have been some noticeable performances, including the 10,440 in 15 Minor methods, rung in April, 1896, and still the longest length by the Association, and a 6000 in 25 Minor methods. Both these Mr. Bolland conducted. In addition he took part in 1888 in a silent peal of Kent Treble Bob Major at Dewsbury, but this was not included in the Yorkshire Association's performances, because not all the ringers were members of the Association. Mr. Bolland had rung several peals before joining the Yorkshire Association, while several of the peals of Treble Bob Major were rung in company with the late revered president of the Association (Mr. Jasper W. Snowdon). As a six-bell ringer, Mr. Bolland has been for a great many years regarded as one of the most brilliant exponents.

Mr. Bolland joined the Yorkshire Association in 1877, and speedily came to the front in the county organisation. On the death of Mr. James Crabtree in 1883 he was unanimously elected to the position of vice-president, which office he has held ever since, and no member of the committee enjoys greater respect than he does. For many years, too, Mr. Bolland has been one of the representatives of the Association on the Central Council, and has attended very many of the meetings of that body, where he is a familiar figure.

While in his leisure Mr. Bolland has been busy among the bells he has by no means neglected his duties and opportunities in other directions. He has filled the offices of parish councillor and overseer, treasurer of the Tong Farmers' Association, and of the Village Reading Room. He has also been an active cricketer, and during his membership of the Tong Manor Cricket Club, which now extends over 40 years, has frequently appeared at the top of the batting averages. As in the ringing exercise, so in his citizenship, Mr. Bolland has been always respected and esteemed for his energetic and faithful endeavours to promote the welfare of those around him. The Church has in him a loyal and devoted son, and we look forward to seeing Mr. Bolland for manv years vet adorning the Exercise of which he has been so conspicuous a member.

## ODD CHANGES.

Last Monday was the 162 nd anniversary of the first performance of Holt's Original. This famous peal was first rung at St. Margaret's, Westminster, and was called by Holt, who sat in the belfry. The board in the steeple records it as "the first true and complete peal of 5040 Grandsire Triples," but this, the late Mr. Jasper Snowdon has pointed out, probably refers to the first with two singles only. The peal was rung on Sunday, July 7 th, 1751, by the Society of Union Scholars.

Incidentally it is worthy of note that on July 8th, 1750, John Holt called a peal of Double Bob Major at St. Margaret's, and on July 9 th, 1749,6000 Bob Major at the same tower. A tablet in St. Lawrence's Church, Reading, records a peal of Grandsire Triples rung there on July 8th, 1734.

The inauguration of the new clock and quarter chimes at Christ Church, Bristol, was performed by the Lord Mayor at a dedicatory service conducted by the Archdeacon of Bristol on Saturday week. The clock strikes the hours on the large tenor bell and chimes the quarters upon two bells, struck by the quarter jacks, and was made by Messrs. John Smith and Sons, Midland Clock Works, Derby, who have also just completed the erection of a large clock with Cambridge chimes at Hook Norton Church, Oxfordshire.

The clock at Christ Church, Bristol, has been given by an anonymous donor in grateful memory of the twentythree years' incumbency of Canon Cole from 1880 to 1903.

The " jacks," who stand on either side of the clock, face and strike the quarters, have a history. There were " jacks" outside the church 400 years ago, and how long before that no one can say. Those which have now been replaced date from 1728, but disappeared from the church when the rebuilding took place in 1786 . Afterwards they passed into the possession of one whose name will always be most honourably remembered not only in Bristol, but in the County of Somerset-Mr. Brackenridge. From his collection they came into possession of the Lord Mayor and Corporation, and now, by their courtesy, have been loaned by them in perpetuity to the church to occupy their old place.

Stoke Climsland, Cornwall, where Messrs. Warner and Sons are retuning and rehanging the peal of eight, is the hurial place of Pennington, a famous bell founder of a past age.
The photograph of the group of the Middlesex meeting at Heston is unavoidably held over to our next issue.

Ringers desiring peal boards artistically executed should communicate with Mr. F. W. Coulter, c/o "The Ringing World'" Office.

GLODWICK, LANCS.-On Sunday, April 13th, at St. Mark's Church, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1264 changes), in 46 mins: : J. Knight 1, A. Clegg 2 , E. Geary 3 , F. Crossland $4, J$.'W. Taylor 5 , S. Hott 6 , J' Lens 7 . J. Schofield (conductor) 8 .

## THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. <br> the annual festival.

The aunual meeting of the Warwickshire Guild was held in accordance with custom at Warwick, on Saturday woek, Members began to assemble about 'zalf-past three, and St. Nicholas' and St. Mary's bells sounded out over the ancient town until the hour of evensong. This service was conducted at St. Mary's by the Vicar, and a special address was given to the ringers present by the Rev. Canon Baillie, Viear of St. Michael's, Goventry. Taking for his text, "I wate glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord" (Psalme cxxii, 1), he spoke of the familiar things in life, notably our ancient churches and bells, which few people, he said, whether connected with them or not, would care to lose. St. Mary's Clurch, for instance, had many architectural faults perhaps, yet, because of the sacred associations of the place, no one would dare or even wish to suggest that such should be remedied according to modern ideas. The sanctity of the house of the Lord would always be there. Ho went on to emphasise the office of the bells as messengers, and that of the ringers who, while their message is one that is sent out by them, are messengers for calling people towards the house of God. He was glad of the incraasing recognition of ringers as cluych workens, and urged ringers themselves to be careful in attending the services of the church after they have called other people to them. They were to set the example and be foremost in saying, "Let us go into the house of the Lord." Thus would they make men glad by their message and example.

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Tea was partaken of at the Globe Hotel, and the business meeting followed.-The Rev. Alan Williams presiced, and was supported by Mr. James George, ringing master; Rev. C. Carew Cox, hon. secretary; Mr. W. G. Dickins, hon. treasurer; and about 45 members representing Allesley, Birmingliam, Bedworth, Berkswell, Chilvers Coton, Coventry, Nuneaton, Rugby, Stoke Golding, Stratford-on-Avon, Sutton Coldfield, Tamworth and Warwick.
The President having said a few words of welcome to the members, the Hon. Sceretary read the report of the committee for the past year, This proclaimed the affairs of the Guild to be in a very satisfactory condition. The total membership stood at 208 , as compared with 174 at the issue of the last report. Forty-seven peails had been rung, which number exceeded all previous records for a like periodin in the history
of the Guidd both in of the Guiid, both if quantity and quality. Included in it were two peals of Surprise Minor, twelve of Stedman Triples, two of Stedman Caters, one of Double Morwich Major, and eight of Superlative Surprise Major. Also the first peal by the Guild in seven plain Minor methocds.
The Ringing Master was congratulated on reaching his five hundredth peal.
The accounts showed a balance in hand of $£ 174 \mathrm{~s}$. 6d., as against £9 12s. 10d. last year.
The President, Viee Presidents (with the addition of the Rev. C. M. Blagden, Rector of Rugby), the Ringing Master, Hon. Seeretary, Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Auditor were all unanimously re-elected to office. -Five new menbers were re-elected, and Mr. J. Pinfold of Emseote, was elected as an hon. member without further subseription, im reoognition of his valuable service on behalf of the ringers in Warwick.
The Guild being ontitled to an additional representative on the Central Council, Mr. A. Roberte, of Coventry, was unanimously electcd to the position.

Constitution of committee altered.
An alteration in the constitution of the committee was proposed by Mr. A. Roberts, and carried. Instead of seven members being elected at the annual meeting of the Guid, one representative was to be elected from each company in union (such company consisting of not less than five members).
The Hon. Secretary proposed the reduction of the fee for life membership for non-resident ringers from 5s. to 3s., and this was also carried.
It was resolved that the figures of peals rung since the formation of the Guild, which have not yet been published in the Report, be printed in the next issue, and also that the figures of all peals of Minor rung should likevise appear.
The Hon Secretary mentioned that the committee, after full discussion of the matter, had considered it unvise for the present to attempt to formulate any scheme for ailloting points and rewards for Sunday service ringing.
A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicars of St. Mary's and St. Nicholas' for their kind permission to ring that afternoon, also Canon Bailie for his address at the service, the organist, and the Rev. Alan Williams for presiding at the meeting.
The ringing done during the afternoon and evening was not quite up to the usual standard. Owing to awkward train services many members were obliged to leave early. and not much was done beyond Grantisire and Stedman Triples and Caters.

## WEDDING FESTIVITIES.

The ringers of Cranford, Northants, joined in the festivities held on Saturday week to celebrate the wedding of Sir Frederick and Lady Robinson. At St. John's Church they rang 720 of Minor in feven methods: G. Basford 1, F. Lewin 2, J. Saddington 3, A. Smeathers 4, H. Meadows 5, G. Lines (conductor) 6. With 400 other inhabitants they wero afterwards entertained to tea in the hall grounds. Sports followed, and then the bells were again set going. The day was brought to a close with a dance in the grounds.


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Eckington (Derbyshire): Rehanging ring of eight bells in new steel frame, and retune

Escrick (Yorks): Rellanging the ring of five.
Boreham (Essex) : Rehang and recast 4th and 5th bells of ring of six, and add two new trebles.
Cookham (Berks): Recast treble and 4th bells, and rehang the ring of six bells in new steel frame for eight bells.
Sarratt (Herts): Retune the ring of three bells, and hang same in new steel frame for five bells.
Rickmansworth (Herts) : Recast tenor ( 23 ewt.) and rehang the riug of eight in new steel frame for ten bells.
Wye (Kent): Retune and rehang the ring of eight (tenor 23 cwt.) in new steel frame.
Henbury (Bristol): Recast 5th and rehang the ring of eight (tenor 21 cwt.) in new steel frame.
Stoke Olimsland (Cornwall) : Retune and rehang the ring of eight in new steel frame.
Gulval Church (near Peazance) : Add two new treble bells to form ring of eight.
St. Mellons, Mon.: New ring of six to be hung in new steel frame. Peterstone, Mon.: Recast treble, 2nd, 3rd, and 5th of ring of six, and add two new trebles and rehang in new steel frame.
Messrs. Warner and Sons have also in hand five sets of chimes (including two for Canada and one for New Zealand), the cost of which will be about $£ 6,500$.
All the bells that come from the Spitalfields Foundry are tuned upon Canon Simpson's five-tone principle.

## SHEFFIELD SOCIETY AT WINGFIELD.

The July meeting of the Sheffield District Society was held on Saturday, at North Wingfield, and proved very successful. About 30 mem bers were present from Beighton, Bolsover, Chesterfield, Dronfield, Eckington, Mansfield, North Wingfield, Ranmoor, Ripley and Staveley. The bells wele raised about 4 p.m., and were kept going with short intervals till $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The methods rung included Oxford Treble Bob Minor, Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Double Norwich and Kent Treble Bob Major and Superlative, and New Cambridge Surprise Major.

The Rector (the Rev. C. J. Boden) was unavoidably absent, but with his usual kindness, had provided a substantial tea for those present, which was served; under the kind supervision of Mrs. Boden, on the Rectory lawn, and was done full justice to by all present.
A short business meeting was held after tea, Mr. J. P. Tarlton presiding. Two new members were elected : Messrs. F. Bemrose (Bolsover) and A. Parsons (Staveley).

A very hearty vote of thanks to the Rector and Mrs. Boden for their kindness, and to the local company, was proposed by Mr. J. Flint, seconded by the Secretary, and carried with acclamation.-Mr. J. P. Tarlton suitably responded.-Afterwards a move was made by some to the belfry for more ringing, others made for the top of the tower to enjoy the fine view of the surrounding country provided, while others spent the evening enjoying games of bowls and quoits on the Rectory lawn, which was kindly placed at the disposal of those who

## OLD KENT RINGER'S DEATH.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Frank Wenham, of Stone Green Farm, Stone-in-Oxney, Kent, who died on the 22nd ultimo, and whose remains were laid to rest on the following Thursday. The late Mr. Wenham was a farmer, and although he has not figured among the present band of ringers at Stone, he was associated with the first company of change ringers established in the parish after the restoration of the bells toward the close of the last century. After he retired, his son Gyril took up the art, and more recently his second son Wilfred has entered ringing circles. Both of the late Mr. Wenham's sons are members of the Kent Association and the Romney Marsh and District Guild, the members of which tender their deepest sympathy to the bereaved in the irreparable loss they have sustained.

## LAVENHAM ANNIVERSARY

The Lavenham Anniversary took place on Satarday, June 21st, and ringing, which was kept up during the day, began at 7.40 a.m. with a touch of 800 changes, br: A. Symonds (conductor) 1. W. Fayers 2, G. Lambert 3, J. Moore 4, F. Parker 5, W. Dent 6, T. Pryke 7, W. R. J. Poulson 8. This was rung to celebrate the birthday of the wife of the Rector (the Rev. W. B. L. Hopkins), which occurred on the 20th. During the day, visitors arrived from Bocking, Braintree, Earles Colve, Foxearth, Great Tey, Rayne, and Coggeshall (Essex), Tooting, London, Preston, Monk's Eleigh, Felsham, Sudbury (St. Peter's and All Saints'), St. James', Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk, and Thetford, Norfolk. The methods rung included Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Double Norwich, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and a touch each of Cambridge and Superlative. A party of fourteen sat down to a splendid tea at the old meeting house, The Cock" Inn, Host Wells' catering giving the greatest satisfaction. It is hoped that this celebration will take place on a Saturday nearest June 21st, so that visitors may have the chance of mecting their brother ringers of Lavenham in future years.

## LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Liverpool Diocesan Guild was held at Walton-on-the-Hill, Liverpool, on Saturday week, when between 50 and 60 members attended from Aughton, Bootle, Ciosby, Hindley, Poolstock, Ormskirk, Sefton, Southport, Tuebrook, Liverpool, and the local company. The members enjoyed a delightful stroll through the Rectory gardens and after some excellent touches on the bells, service was held, an earnest, thoughtful address being delivered by the Ven. Archdeacon Spooner from the text, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might
A bountiful tea was afterwards served: in the 17th Century School, and was much evjoyed.

At the business meting, which followed, the Archdeacon presided, and the following officers were elected: President, Archdeacon Spooner; vice-presidents, Canon Woodrow, Canon Bibborough, and Mr. W. L. Hutton; master. Rev. W. T. Bulpit; warden, Canon Howson; deacons, Rev. E. C. Collier Rev. B. Watts; hon. treasurer, Mr. J. Martin; hon, secretary, Mr. W. Bentham. The financial statement showed a substantial balance in hand.-Canon Howson invited the Guild to hold their next meeting at Woolton, and the invitation was unanimously accepted.-Archdeacon Spooner also invited the Guild to hold their next annual meeting at Walton.-On the proposal of the Master, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Archdeacon for his kind hospitality and courteous reception of the Guild.-Several new members were elected.

## PEAL BOARD AT SELBY ABBEY.

An interesting little ceremony took place in the ringing clamber of Selby Abbey, on. Saturday week, when the Rev. Philip Stamp, one of the assistant clergy of the Abbey, unveiled a tastefully executed stone tablet, commemorating the opening peal, one of 5069 Stedman Caters, rung by members of the Yorkshire Association, after the restoration of the tower and bells from the effects of the disastrous fire of a few years ago. The tablet, which was much admired, is the gift of the Rev. W. P. Wright, of Hemmingborough, who rang the tenor to the peal.
It had been intended to ring a peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal to celebrate the occasion, but circumstances forbade. Unfortunately, owing to rarious causes, the attendance was smaller than had been anticipated, and it was only after some delay that a move was made to the ringing chamber. The proceedings were opened by the Rev. Philip Stamp, with prayer, following which the Rev. W. P. Wright requested him to unveil the tablet.-The Rev. P. Stamp, in acceding to this request, referred to the great pleasure it gave him to perform an act commemorating the first peal rung on the ten bells, and regretted that the Rev. Dr. Solloway, who it had been hoped would have performed the ceremony, was unavoidably absent.- A vote of thanks was then accorded the Rev. Philip Stamp on the proposition of the Rev. W. P. Wright, seconded by Mr. G. Halksworth.
Mr. C. H. Hattersley, in proposing a very hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. W. P. Wright for his generosity in providing the tablet, referred to him as a type of the genial clergyman with whom it did one good to come in contact. It had been his pleasure to ring three peals with him, and he much appreciated his agreeable companion-ship.-Mr. Sam Thomas, in seconding, fully agreed with all that Mr. Hattersley had said, and referred to the great amount of pleasure that there was to be obtained from the art of change ringing, whether in composing, conducting, or ringing, and of the great satisfaction which each one felt on the successful completion of a well rung peal.--The Rev. W. P. Wright, in replying, remarked on the pleasure it gave him to present the tablet. He had felt honoured in being asked to stand in a peal with such an able team of ringers, and he looked forward to doing so again in the near future.

The bells were afterwards raised, and with assistance of sereral nem bers of the local company, touches of Bob Minor, on the front six, and Grandsire Triples and Plain Bob Major on the back eight were successfully brought round under the conductorship of Mr. Sam Thomas.

An hour or so was afterwards spent by the visitors in admiring the magnificent architecture of the Abbey, and especially the fine new south transept containing a beautiful stained glass window, which por trays many incidents in the history of Selby, including the building of
the A hber by the monks, the childhood of King Henry I, who was born at Selby, and other incidents.

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BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Wellington on Saturday, July 12 th. Bells available from 3 to 9 p.m. Tea and meeting will be held at Crown Hotel.-F. Blood, Branch Secretary.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District. -The next meeting will be held at Burstow on Saturday, July 12 th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea, at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , by kind invitation of the Rector. -Henry F. Ewins, Honorary District Secretary, Duneton, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS.-Axbridge Deanery Branch.A quarterly meeting will be held at Mark on Saturday, July I2th. Service at $4 \cdot 30$. Tea at 5.15, at the Rectory. Meeting to follow: Bells available from 2 p.m. - J. Harris, Branch Secretary, Burnham.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury District.-A meeting will be held at Ash-next-Sandwich, on Saturday, July I2th. Bells available from 3 p.m. All ringers and friends heartily welcome-E. Trendell, Hon. Secretary, Worksop.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - Summer quarterly meeting at Harworth, near Bawtry ( 6 bells), Saturday, July izth. Tea at 5 p.m. Tickhill ( 8 bells), by the kind permission of the Rev. H. E. Booty, will also be at the disposal of ringers during the day. Ladies and genthemen of kindred associations will be heartily welcomed. A good attendance is desired. - H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary, Worksop.

LANC.ASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.Bicentenary of bells at Goosnargh on July i2th. All members of the Preston Branch are invited by the Vicar of Goosnargh to attend on the above date. Service at 3.45. l'reacher, Rev. H. J. Elsee, President of the Association. Tea will be provided afterwards. The bells will be available before service from two o'clock, and after tea till 9 p.m.-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, TValton-le-dale.

LANC.ISHIRE ASSOCIATIO.N.-Rossendale Branch.
-The next meeting of the above branch will be held at St. Saviour's, Bacup, on Saturday, July igth, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good attendance is earnestly requested. - J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Derby 1)istrict.-The next monthly meeting will be held at Brassington, near Worksworth, on Saturday, July igth. Bells (6) ready at 2.30 p.m.-B. Mitchell, Honorary District Sccretary, i49, Leacroft Road, Derby.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. -- Lewisham District. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Farningham on Saturday, July igth. Tower open at 3.30 p. m. Service at $5 \cdot 30$, address by the Vicar (the Rev. F. IV. Smith), who has kindly promised to provide tea for those who send their names to me by Tuesdar, July 15 th. Business meeting to follow: Half rail fares up to 2s. paid at this meeting. Eynsford tower will be open after the
meeting.-T. Groombridge, Honorary District Secretary, 34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.-Thrapston District.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Woodford on Saturday, July rgth. Bells ready 3 p.m., tea at 5 . Will those requiring tea kindly let me know by July I6th:-F. Stubbs, District Secretary, Grove Street, Raunds.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.A meeting will be held at St. John's, Hillingdon, on Saturday, July igth. Tower open at $3 \cdot 30$. Tea at the Vine Inn at $5 \cdot 30,9 \mathrm{~d}$. each. Will those who intend being present kindly inform me by the 17 th? Friends heartily wel-come.-F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary, 3, Hart's Lane, New Cross, S:E.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual festival will be held at Wokingham, on Saturday, July Igth. Service in the Parish Church at II.30. Preacher: the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey (President of the Cambridge University Guild of Change Ringers). Business meeting in the Church House at 12.20 . Dinner in the Drill Hall at I.30. Dinner tickets at 2 s . 3d. each (ale or minerals included) will be forwarded to those members only who send the money, with the order, to me on or before Saturday, July 12th. One Shilling will be refunded to each member present at the dinner, but members failing to send for their tickets must pay 2 s . 3 d . at the door and have no refund.Albert E. Reeves, Guild Secretary, 5, Fatherson Road, Reading.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - South-Eastern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Rayleigh on Saturday, July 19th. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting follow. The Rev. A. G. Fryer is kindly providing tea. Those intending to be present please send word to me not later than July I6th.-Henry F. Cooper, District Secretary, County Offices, Chelmsford.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824).-Northern District. -The next meeting of this District will be held on the igth July at St. Matthew's, Church Row, Bethnal Green. Tower open at 4.30 p.m. Business meeting at 7.45 . All members and friends welcome. - J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7d, Morgan Mansions, Hclloway Road, N.

THE MIDDLESEX. COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East District.-The next meeting will be held at Hadley on Saturday, July igth. Bells available from 3.30. Tea at 5.45 , 6d. each. Members and friends cordially invited. - C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Sudbury District. -A district meeting will be held at Sudbury on Saturday, July r9th. Tea at the Bull Inn, at 4 p.m. The bells of All Saints' and St. Peter's will be available, the latter for short periods only. Will those wishing to have tea prorided kindly communicate not later than Tuesday, July ${ }^{15}$ th, with the secretary, Rev. R. L. Gardner, Lavenham, Suffolk.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. - Northern Branch. - A meeting for combined practice will be held at Halesowen on Saturday, July igth. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Methods: Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Treble Bob Major.-E. J. Dowler, Branch Secretary.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. - The quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, July 19th, at Egham. Tower open at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 . Tea at $5 \cdot 30$, in the Church Room. Business meeting after. As the Vicar and churchwardens are kindly providing tea, will unattached members intending to be present let me know not later than Tuesday, July I5th. - Cyril F. Johnston, Honorary Secretary, Bell Foundry, Croydon.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Portsmouth District. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Eastmeon on Saturday, July rgth. Bells available from mid-day. Tea at George Inn 5 o'clock. Meeting after. Members who intend being present kindly inform me by the I4th.-J. W. Whiting, District Secretary, Fareham.

BEDS ASSOCIATION.-Bedford District.-The next meeting will be held at Harrold on Saturday, July igth.John W. Barker, District Secretary.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Northern District.-A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, July igth. - F. R. Bacon, West Hill, Hitchin, District Secretary.

LOUGHBOROUGH PARISH CHURCH.-A meeting for united practice will be held at the above church on Saturday, July igth, at 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.H. W. Abbott, 2, Curzon Street, Loughborough.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). - Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on July 22nd ; Southwark Cathedral, on July 15 th ; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the I7th and 3 rst; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 22nd; St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus 7.30, the others 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held on Saturday, July 26th, at St. Margaret's, Rainham. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged at $5 \cdot 30$ (at 9d. each) in the Church Hall. The bells of this church are being rehung in a new iron frame, the old six tuned on the Simpson principle, with an addition of two trebles, making eight, with a tenor about 23 cwt., by Taylor, of Loughborough. Will those intending to be present let me know not later than Tuesday, July 22 nd? All ringers and friends are heartily wel-come.-Edward A. G. Allen, Honorary Secretary, 77, Bill Street Road, Frindsbury, Rochester.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Blackburn Branch.-The next branch meeting will be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Burnley, on Saturday, July 26th, rgi3. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 7 p.m. - J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - The 26th annual festival will be held at St. George's Church, Stockport, on Saturday, July 26 th. Service at 3.45 p.m. Preacher, the Rev. H. J. Elsee, M.A., Vicar of St. George's, Bolton. Full particulars by circular.-Rev. A. T. Beeston, Honorary Secretary, New Mills.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - The next South and West District meeting will be held by kind permission of the Rector (Rev. H. Wilson) at Harlington, on Saturday, July 26th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea at a small charge, 5.45 . All ringing friends welcome. - H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - North-Eastern District. - The next meeting will be held at Harwich on Saturday, July 26 th. A tea will be provided at 5 o'clock for those sending notice to A. Shufflebotham, District Secretary, Sandpit Road, Braintree.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.-Established I755. - Quarterly meeting will be held at Yardley on Saturday, July 26th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea at Talbot Hotel, at 5.30 p.m., gd. per head, followed by business meeting. - A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, in, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

## OBITUARY.

WEBB.-On July 4 th, at Ickleton, Cambs, Eric Stedman Webb, only son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Webb, aged three months.

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## A "FOUNDRY" PEAL RECORDED.

An interesting ceremony took palce in the belfry of St. Ann's, South Tottenham, on Monday week, when the Vicar (the Rev. F. Rice) unreiled a peal board, recording a peal of Minor rung in three methods on March 3rd last by the Spitalfields Bell Foundry Guild.-The Vicar welcomed the representatives of the Guild, and said how very pleased he should be for them to visit his tower again and beat this performance. adding that he was very pleased to know that Messrs. Warner had skilful bell ringers as well as skilful bell hangers. After complimenting the local captain (Mr. Ringrose) upon seeing that the bells were regularly rung for Divine service, the Vicar said that he hoped as soon as funds permitted to increase the peal to eight, and when that was done, he thought it would be right and proper that Mr. Ringrose's name should be inscribed on one of the new bells. Then. after Mr. Makenny, works manager of the foundry, had been asked to convey the Vicar's best thanks to Messrs. Warner for the very nice board they had presented to his tower, the Vicar unveiled the record, and was thanked for his kindness in attending. At his request 720 Kent Treble Bob was rung. five of the Foundry Guild, with Mr. E. Grimes, taking part: J. Hunt 1, E. Grimes 2, T. King 3, A. Howell 4, W. Powell 5, W. J. Nudds (conductor) 6. Other touches of Oxford, Plain Bob and Grandsire were rung, some local members taking part.

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## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

BENHILTON SURREY. - For evening service, on April 13th, a quarer-peal of Oxford Bob Triples ( 1260 changes), in 42 mins.: E. Bryant 1, S. Rayner 2, L. G. Ferrige 3, F. Ford 4, W. Wood 5, G. Rayner 6, J. Webb (conductor) 7, H. Bryant 8.

BRADING, ISLE OF WIGHT.-On Sunday, April 13th, for morning service, 560 Bob Major: P. Pain 1, M. Pink 2, E. Squibb 3, G. Wilkins 4, J. W. Pain 5, C. Price 6, F. Chaffey 7, H. Jennings (conductor) 8.
READING.-Oxford Diocesan Guild.-On Sunday, April 13th, at St. Giles' Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 46 mins.: H. Osborne 1, Miss E. Goodship 2, L. Osborne 3, J. J. Parker (Farnham Royal) 4, G. Gcodship 5, F. Griffin 6, A. W. Osborne (oonductor) 7, A. Durman 8.
WEST DIDSBURY.-On April 13th, at Christ Church, 630 Grandgire Triples: Harry Chantler 1, Richard Newton (conductor) 2, William Holbrook 3, Harry Brickell 4, Thomas Peacock 5, Frank Brickell 6, Robert Davies 7, Joseph Mellor 8. Rung as a farewell to Mr. Newton.
BARNET.-On April 14th, 504 Stedman Triples: F. A. Milne 1, *W. J. Baldwin 2, *F. Chandier 3, ${ }^{*}$ H. Burlingham 4, J. Sumpter 5, J. Armstrong (conductor) 6, A. J. Trappit 7, W. Soer 8. Eongest touch in the method.
HAGBOURNE, BERKS.-Oxford Diocesan Guild.-Recently, before evensong, 1036 Grandsıre Triples: W. E. Nrapper 1, T. East (conductor) ${ }_{2}$ II. Bishop 3, W. J. Napper 4, E. A. Butler 5, R. G. Rice 6, J. S. Napper 7, A. Woodley 8.
CURDRIDGE, HANTS.-On handbells, 120 Grandsire Doubles by the local band: W. J. Ryves 1-2, A. Mears 3-4, R. Elcock (conductor), age 14 years, 5-6.
BOT,DMERE, WARWTCKSHIRE, - At the Parish Church, for the C.E.M.S., on May 4th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (odd Bob), in 42 mins. : C. Cottrell 1, J. Preston 2, G. Garrison 3, J. Sanders 4, W. J. Meers 5, G. F. Swann (conductor) 6, R. A. Eaton 7, W. G. Anker 8. This quarter-peal was composed by the late James Plant, and this was the first time it was rung.
LONDON.-London County Association.-On May 2nd, at St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, 1120 of Cambridge Surprise Major, in 41 mins.: A. D. Barker 1, T, H. Taffender (conductor) 2, C. H. Hughes 3, H. T. Gowlett 4, R. N. Runham 5, J. Cornford (longest length of Surprise) 6, C. W. R. Grimwood 7, F. J. Hardy 8.

LONDON.-On April 13th, for special Oddfellows' service, at St. James' Bermondsey, 1131 Stedman Caters, in 45 mins.: C. F. Winney 1, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, C. H. Hughes 3, W. J. Kemp 4, R. N. Runham 5, R. W. Green 6, C. W. R. Grimwood 7, A. D. Barker 8, F. J. Hardy 9, C. S. Burden 10.

WIDFORD, ESSEX. - On May 4th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: G. Usher 1, A. Tarbun, junr., 2, E. Runter 3, A. Whight 4. W. Everard 5, W. Wellington 6, A. Tarbun, senr. (conductor) 7, H. Rolfe 8.
REDHILL. SURREY.-On April 27th, at St. John the Evangelist's Church, for evening service, in 44 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: A. Streeter 1, W. Streeter 2, T. Streeter 3, A. Gear 4, H. Edwards 5, H. Card 6, E. Harman (conductor) 7, E. Dennis 8.
CIIIPPENHAM, OAMBS.-On May 3rr, at the Church of St. Margaret, 720 Bob Minor: A. Turner 1, A. Macro 2, F. Salter 3, P. Fordham 4, F. Poulson 5, T. Fitzjohn (conductor) 6. Also at St. Andrew's Church, Freckenham, Suffolk, a six-score each of Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: A. Turner 1, F. Poulson 2, F. Salter 3, T. Fitzjohn (conductor) 4, P. Frordham 5. Also 120 Plain Bob, with A. Macro standing in.
ROYSTON, HERTS-Hertfordshire Association.-On April 27th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: H. Wilkerson 1, W. Darlow (conductor) 2, A. Gilbert 3, R. Wilkerson 4, W. Manning 5, R. King 6.-On Ascension Day, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: H. Wilkerson 1, W. Manning 2, W. Darlow 3, R. Wilkerson 4, R. King (conductor) 5, S. Roberts 6.-On May 2nd, 720 Oxford Bob: H. Wilkerson 1, W. Manning 2, W. Darlow 3, R. Wilkerson 4, S. Roberts 5, R. King (conductor) 6. Also 720 London Surprise: A. Gilbert 1, W. Darlow 2, E. Bonnett 3, R. Wilkerson 4, S. Roberts 5, R. King (conductor) 6.
FOLKESTONE, KENT.--On Sunday erening, May 4th, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins. : P. G. Price 1, A. G. Kedwell (conductort 2, J. Henley 3. F. Foord 4, H. Croucher 5, F. Jordon 6, W. H. Wood 7, W. Knight 8.

DERBY.-On April 27th, for evening service, at St. Alkmund's Church, in 45 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. Waterfield (first quarter-peal) 1, J. Vicars, junr., 2, G. Basson 3, G. Freebrey 4, E. Willis 5, G. Robinson, senr., 6, J. Vicars, senr. (composer and conductor) 7, C. Draper 8 .
SCARBOROUGFI.-Cleveland and North Yorks Association. - On Whit-Sunday, for afternoon service, 360 Bob Minor and 210 Grandsire Triples. For evening servive, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: J. R. Fryers 1, S. Econd 2, M. Ward 3, F. C. Rich 4, H. Gibson 5, J. R. Barton (conductor) 6, W. J. Moss 7, T. Cole 8. Arranged for Messis. F. C. Rich and S. Econd and IW. J. Moss, who were delegates of the Manchester Unity of Oddfellows visiting Scarborough, and who hail from Bath, Manchester and Rammoor respectively.

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Architect, Diocessan Surveyor.

## HONORARY MEMBERS.

The Bath and W'ells Association, which has done good work in a district where the implanting of change ringing has been no easy task, discussed more than one topic of general interest at the annual meeting of members at Taunton, reported on another page, and not the least important was that of bringing in more honorary members. The question of swelling the general funds of the organisation by securing a larger honorary role is one to which not only the Baths and Wells Diocesan Association, but many other similar organisations might well turn their attention. As a rule the low figure at which the annual subscription of the ordinary member of an association is fixed is such that a society could not exist if it continued to give the advantages which are now often offered, and received no pecuniary aid from any other source. Teas at reduced prices, allowance on travelling expenses and other facilities, such as, in the case of young bands, free instruction, more than account for the annual contribution of a member if he chooses to avail himself of them. The help, therefore, which comes from hon. members is not only welcome, it is often absolutely essential to the financial solvency of an association.

There are very many cases, however, we believe, where local secretaries might do more for the benefit of their association in this direction if they gave the matter thought. Pretty generally, no doubt, efforts are made to get the Rector or Vicar to become an honorary member of the association to which his band is affiliated, though by no means all incumbents are thus brought into direct contact with the various organisations. But there are others beside the clergy. Most churchwardens, we believe, would give their support if they were approached, but, as these gentlemen are frequently changed, there are a great many lapses and all too few are replaced by the newcomers into office.

To reach these folk is surely the duty of the local secretary. It is impossible for the secretary of an association or even of a district to keep in touch with all the changes that take place in the various parishes. The man on the spot, however, has the opportunity, and would not, as a rule, have to approach a parishioner as a stranger, as a general secretary would have to do. Then, again, the personal request is always more effective than application by way of letter. If our associations, therefore, are to substantially increase their hon. membership, it seems obvious that the best way is through the local secretaries. At any rate, where the honorary membership is weak, the associations might do well to get those connected with the individual towers to exert themselves in the matter. We feel sure it would have good results.

# CHARLES CARR, 



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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Tuesday, July 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Martin,
A Peal of stedman cingues, 5007 Changes; Tenor 36 cwt ., in C.

| William Short .... .... Treble | George F. Swann... | .. | 7 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Miss Margery F. Sampson | 2 | Morris J. Morris ... | .. | 8 |

Miss Margery F. Sampson 2 Morris J. Morris ...

Thomas Russam......$\quad \cdots \quad 3 \quad$ Ernest Mancell.... \begin{tabular}{llll|ll}
Fredrick Dickens \&.. \&.. \& 4 \& Samuel Grove \&.. <br>
James E. Groves \&... \&.. \& 5 \& Io <br>
John Neal \& ... \& ... \& ... \& I

 

James E. Groves ... \& ... \& 5 \& John Neal ... \& ... \& ... it <br>
Ernest C. Allaway... \& ... \& 6 \& William Davies \& ... \& ...Tenor
\end{tabular} Composed by the late Henry Johnson, and Conducted by William Shori.

This is Miss Sampson's first peal on twelve bells.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, July 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5055 CHANCES; Tenor 23 cwt., in E flat.
Alfred H. Pulling ...Tyeble Maurice Smither ... ... 6 Henry Hutton ... ... 2 Charles Hazelden ... 7 Edward Raddon ... ... 3 †George Steer... ... ... 8 *Willodghby E. Maulden 4 Septimus Radford... ... 9 Charles Willshire ... 5 | Edward G. Heath... ...Tenoy Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Septimos Radford.

* First peal of Caters on tower bells. + First peal of Caters on an inside bell. First peal of Caters on the bells since rehanging. Arranged as a birthday compliment to S. Radford.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, July 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mapy,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor ig cwt. 3 qrs.
*Hobart E. Smith ... ...Treble *Willoughby E. Maulden 5 George Whiting ... ... 2 George Wightman... ... 6 William Wightman ... 3 *T. William Last ... ... 7 Alfred S. Wightman ... 4 George E. Symonds ...Tenor Composed by William Wightman, and Conducted by George Wightman.

* First peal in the method.


## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On IFednesday, July 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road, S.E.,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 GHANGES; Tenor 20 cwt .

| John H. B. Hesse | .Treble | Ernest Brett |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| J. Armiger Trollope |  | * IRichard N. Runhas |  |
| Alfred W. Grimes. |  | Harry Flanders |  |
| Frank Bennett | . 4 | James E. Davis | Tenor | Composed by Henry Dains, and Conducted by James E. Davis.

* First peal in the method. Rung in honour of the marriage of the Rev, C. B. H. Knight, M.A., and Miss Jessie G. W. Hope, which took place at Wanstead on the above date.

TAMWORTH, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Wednesday, July 9, 1913, in Thyee Hours and Nine Minures, At the Chorch of St. Editha,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAMGES 1 Holt's Ten-Part.
Robert P. Brindley... ...Tveble Albert E. Young Miss Margery F. Sampson 3 Josefh W. Timms

Conducted by Albert E. Young.
This peal was rung in honour of The Millenary of Tamworth Castle, and it is the first occasion in which a lady ringer has taken part in a peal in this tower. It was also A. E. Young's first peal as conductor.

## DOVER, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Weinesday, July 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES ; Tenor 20 cwt.

- Richard H. Stevens ...Treble |"John Trinder ... ... ... 5 Charles Turner ... ... 2 Herbert C. Saywell ... 6 Frederick A. Holden ... 3 *Percy Gibbs ... William E. Pitiman ... 4 Henry C. Castle ... ...Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Frederick A. Holden.

* First peal of Major. Calling in K.C.A. Report for 1gi3, page 92. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Arthur Roberts, a valued member of the Dover band.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Weducsday, July 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At St. Chad's Cathedral (R.C.),

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES; Tenor 15 cwt., in $F$. | -George Garrison | ... | .. Treble | Thomas Miller | ... | ... | 5 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William Short | $\ldots$ | ... | 2 | Samuel Grove... | ... | ... | 6 | George F. Swann … $\cdot \cdots .$. Morris J. Morris ... ... 4 John Neal... ... ... ...Tenor Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by Percy O. Laflin.

* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to T. Miller. This composition has the $4^{\text {th }}$ and 6 th only in 6 th's place at course ends.


## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, July 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; \begin{tabular}{ll|llllll}
Wileiam C. Hart ... \& ...Treble \& Richard Stredwick \& ... \& 5 <br>
*Arthur H. White ... \&.. \& 2 \& *Alfred W. Groves \& ... \& 6

 

*Arthor H. White ... \& ... \& 2 \& Alfred W. Groves \& ... \& 6 <br>
Arthur W. Gravett \&.. \& 3 \& Albert D. Stone ... \&.. \& 7
\end{tabular} John Capp... $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . .4$ Keith Hart 4 ......

Composed by James Parker, and Conducted by Keith Hart.

* First peal in the method. A. D. Stone's 2ooth peal

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Thursday, July 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

A Variation of Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor ifis cwt. Adolphus Roberts ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ Harry Argyle ... ... 5 Miss Margery F. Sampson 2 Joseph W. Timms ... ... 3 Ernest Stone Conducted by James F. Clarke
This is the first peal for the above Guild in which a lady has taken part. Miss Sampson was heartily congratulated on the success at the

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (Darley Dale Society.)
On Friday, July 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Tuo Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 5040 GHANGE8; Tenor r 7 cwt.

| John Siddall, Junr.... | $\ldots$ | Treble | Thomas White | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| David Brearley | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Edwin Blackwall.... | $\ldots$ | Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by Alfred C. Wright.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-sight Minutes, At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES ${ }_{1} 5040$ GHANGES;
Thorstans' Four-Part.
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Wilitam Short ... ...Tveble

* Frank Caldwell

Victor White Robert Matthews.... 2
Gobdo Matthews...
John Bass...
William H. Webb $\cdots \cdots$
Gordon Checketts..... .4 4 Jacob Williams...

- First peal. Conducted by William Short.

HORWICH, LANCASHIRE.
THE ILANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Chorch of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qrs.

| Titus Barlow | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Treble | George Pincott | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Fred Abbott | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | 5 |  |  |
| John Welsby | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | .. | 3 | William Peniington | ... |
| 6 | John Potter | ... | .. | .. | 7 |  |

 Composed by J. W. Washbrook, and Conducted by John Potter.
This is the first peal on the bells, which were dedicated on June 28 th. The tone and "'go" are all that can be desired, and reflect great credit on Messrs. John Taylor \& Sons, the founders. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the local company for providing them with such a splendid tea before the peal, and for having everything in readiness. Rung in honour of the birthday of Mrs. Welsby, the wife of the ringer of the third.

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (Sheffield District Society.)
On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Mary and Lawrence,
A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJER, 5120 GHANGES; Tenor I $4 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
 William Lambert ... ... 4 John Flint ... ... ...Tenor Composed by Arthor Knights, and
Conducted by John Flint.

* First peal in the method. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. B. Prewett and Miss Ida Elton.


## KELSALE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

Villiam Fleming Јонn Clayton Parnell ... Norman R. Balley ... ... 4 Francis W. Nadnton ... Tenor

Harry Phileips
Charles E. Fisher George Hardy...
$\qquad$ 5
6
7 Composed by York Green, and Conducted by Francis WV. Nadnton.
The ringers of 1,5 and 7 belong to the local company, 2 and 8 to Wrentham, 3 to Beccles, + to Kinodishall, 6 to Ufford. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Bertram Prewett and Miss Ida Elton.

## EVERCREECH, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELIS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minules, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

A Vartation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 25 cwt .
 Fred G. May ... ... ... 2 | Henry Burt ... ... ... 6 A. Martin Daniel ......$\quad 3 \quad$ Walter Farley...$\quad$... 7 Samele J. Hector Conducted by F. G. G. May. Webs ... ...Tenor

* First peal with a bob bell. H. Burt was elected a member of the Association before starting for the peal.


## ILKLEY, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Tqo Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANCE:

Heywood's Transposition.
Tenor 18 cwt

| John B. Jackson... | .. Theble | William B. Smith... | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Samuel B. Norfolk | $\ldots$. | 2 | Frederick W. Dixon | ... |
| 6 |  |  |  |  | | Samuel B. Norfolk | ... | 2 | Frederick W. Dinon | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Joseph Broadley | ... | ... | 3 | Francis Woodhead | .. |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  | Arthur Gill ... ... ... 4 John W. Wright ... ...Tenoy Conducted by Frederick W. Dixon.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Trio Hours and Furty-sevon Minntes, At the Chorch of St. Mary, Battersea,

## A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGE ;



SELLY OAK, WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Tro Hours and Forty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Carter's No. 47 . Tenor 12 cwt I qr. I 3 lbs. Arther Chambers ... ...Treble Charles Dickens .. JOH: WIThers ....... 5 Thomas J. Bration ...... Willian Palmer ... ... 4 | James E. Groves ... ...Tenor Conducted by Samuel Grove.
This peal was rung on the anniversary and in hononr of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Grove, the parents of the conductor, to whom the band offer their congratulations and hearty wishes. Mr. S. Grove, senr., was for many years a ringer and chorister at the abore church, and is now a sidesman. It was also a birthclay compliment to the son of Mr. C. Dickens.

## FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minates, At the Church cf SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor $I_{7} \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in $E$.
 Composed by the late Thomas Hu
Conducted by A. Riches.

## BUSHEY, HERTS

THE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(The Bushey Society.)
On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Howrs and Fifty-three Minutes; At the Chorch of St. James,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 13 cwt .

| William Seeley | $\ldots . .$. Treble | William I. Oakley | .. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Richard Darlow | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Frederick Edvards... | 6 |
| Thomas R. Scott | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Maurice F. R. Hibbert | 7 |
| Francis A. Smith | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Robert E. Stavbrt |  | Composed by Arthur Knighis, and Conducted by Robert E. Stavert.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. Bertram Prewett (master of the Bushey Society) on the occasion of his marriage to Miss Icla Elton, which took place at Bushey the same day.

## I'AINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

(The Ancient Society of Painswick Youths.)
On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Carter's Twelve-Part.
Tenor 26 cwt .
Thomas Wright ... ...Treble Charles West

| $\ldots$ | Treble |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | Austin Gwinnett $\quad . . \quad$... 3 William Hale ... ... ... 4 Willam Hastings ... ... 7 Conducted by Albert Wright.

Rung as a compliment to Austin Gwinnett, who is on a visit to, Painswick from Canada.

BIRCH-IN-RUSHOLME.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Monday, July 14, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. James,
a PEAL OF 8TEDMAH TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Robert Davies ... ... ...Treble James W. Washbrook ... Joseph Lowe Willan Hor hroon ... ... 2 William Holbrook ... ... 3 Harry Washbrook ... ... 4

Samuel Greenhalgh.. .5 Harry Chapman ….. .7 James Darbyshire ... James Darbyshire ...
by J. W. Washbrook.

Rung on the occasion of the royal visit of the King and Queen tc Birch Park, Manchester.

## SIX 8 FIVE BELL PEALS.

LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tucsday, July 8, 1913, in Tio Hours and Forty-six Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being 720 each of Oxford Delight, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble: Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. Henry Carter ... ... ...Treble! Albert Lawrence ... ... 4 Arthur Woolston ... ... 2 Albert Carter ... ... 5 Ernest Overall ... ... 3 William H. Lawrence... Tenoiv

Conducted by William H. Latvrence.
Arranged for A. Lawrence, who was home on holiday.
ALVASTON, UERBYSHIRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, July 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Trienty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720's.
*Frederick W. Stone ...Treble
John Haynes John Glew

- Willian Ar...... 2 Arthor Overion ... ... 5
- First Conducted by Josern Lord.
* First peal of. Minor.


## DENFORD, NORTHANTS

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Or Suturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty six Minates, At the Church of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANCES;
Being two 720's of Woodbine, two of Oxford and three of Kent Treble Bob, each called differently. Tenor 7 cwt .
${ }^{\text {a Leslie Groom }}$......

| Fred Arnold | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Thomas Jervis... ...... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Daniel Redhead | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Reginald C. Loveday ...Tcnor |  |  | Daniel Redhead Conducted by Reginald C. Loveday.

* First peal and first attempt. This is the first peal of Treble Bob Minor by all and is believed to be the first peal of Treble Bob on the bells.

COGENHOE, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Suturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.
*Joseph C. Dean ... ...Tveble William J. Allen... ... 4
Herbert Rainbow ..... .12 William Farey $\quad 2$...... J. Wilfred Sharp ... ... 3 Fred Hopper ... ... ... Tenor Conducted by Fred Hopper:

* First peal

BARROWBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOIN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Sotthern Branch.)
On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's each of Double Oxford and Single Court, and 720 each of College Single, Reverse Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor in $\frac{7}{2}$ cwt.
John Peel ... ... ... ...Tyeble Rev. C. J. Sturton... ... 2 Albert C. Darnell Harry Thorpe ... $\ldots$.... 3 | Sidney Procior
... 4

Conducted by Sidney Proctor.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Albert C. Darnell.

## NORBURY, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Bowdon and Stockport Branch.)
On Suturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF TR':BLE BOB AND DELIGHT MINOR, 5160 CHANGES; Being 720 each of:-i, Braintree; ii, Killamarsh; iii, Coventry iv,
Duke of Norfolk, Islington, Norbury and Trowell; v, Bocking, Willesden, Poynton and Old Oxford; vi, Wragby, Grove, Neasdon and College Bob IV; vii, Overton. Sandal. London Scholars and Kingston; and I20 Wragby. Tenor 9 cwt.

William Ferviey ......Treble | Herbert Williamson ... 4 | Rev. A. T. Beeston | ... | 2 | James Fernley | ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Conducted by Rev. A. T. Beeston.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. Harold Hallworth, a member of the local band; as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the tenor ; and in connection with the annual Sunday School Treat.
A reference to unpublished methods included in the above will be found elsewhere.

BARTON SEAGRAVE, NORTHANTS.
THF. CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hou's and Forty-fi'c Minutes, 'At the Parish Church,
4 PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANCES ;
Being 42 Six-Scores each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt . Archie Henman... ... ...Tyeble Frederick Kilborn ... 3
 Pearl Inskip... . ... ...Tenor
Conducted by Matimias Hobbs.

HARTINGWORTH, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Tao Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

## At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GNANCES;
Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor II cwt. William Mace ... ... ...Treble Frederick W. Saiffoot... 4 Charles W. Bird ... ... 2 Robert F. Torner ... 5 J. Edward Chapman... ... 3 David J. Nichols ... ...Tenor Conducted by Dayid John Nichols.
First peal on the bells, which have recently been rehong and a few treble added by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, the "go" of the bells being all that can be clesired.

## CHICHEI,EY, BUCKS.

THE OXEORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (North Bucks Branch.)
On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Tio Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB RINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Fleasure, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oiford Treble Bob.

| Harry Sear | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... Treble | Frederick J. Mynard | .. | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Cecil A. Valentine... | ... | 2 | Thomas C. Tompkins | ... | 5 |  | | Cecil a. Valentine... | .. | 2 | h homas C. Tomprins | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William JacQues | .. | .. | 3 | Charles W. Clarke | ...Tenor | Conducted by Charles W. Clarke.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, July 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,
At i29, Brewswick Street, Haggerston,
A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN CATERS, 5051 CHANGES;
Rev. A. H. F. Boughey I--2 | Bertray Prewett … 5-6 William Pye ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3-4 \mid$ James Hunt...

Alfred W. Grimes ... 9-io
Composed by George T. Daltry, and
Conclucted by William Pye. Umpire: T. King.

## SHEFFIELD.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wreducsstay, July 9, 1913, in Two How's and Fifty-nine Mimutes, At 3i, Burgess Street,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5111 CHANGES;
Arthur Hague … ... i-2 2 William J. Thyng $\cdots$ 5- 6
Clement Glenn ... ... 3-4 *irthur Knights ... $. . . \quad 7-8$
Composed bv Arthtir Knights, and Conducted by Clement Glenn. Umpire: Joseph Atkin

* First handbell peal of Caters.


## WISBECH, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, July 9, 1913, in Two Hours, At "York Villa," Wisbech,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

| Thomas S. Collison... | ... | I | Stanley E. Andrews ... | $3-4$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Arthur Wm. Wenlock | .. | 2 | Ralph Narborough | ... |
| $5-6$ |  |  |  |  | Conducted by Ralph Narborough.

This peal was rung as a welcome home to Mr. S. Collison, who was proposed a member of the Association before starting, and it was his first 5,000 . All the ringers received their entire instruction in bell ringing from the ringer of $5-6$.

# LATE PEALS. <br> DERBY <br> THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Monday, July 14, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter, <br> A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 ChANGES; <br> Taylor's Six-Part. <br> Frederick W. Stone ...Treble Saywell Vickers William J. Davies.. <br> John Haynes <br> Tenor 12 cwt. <br> William Poyser <br> Joseph Lord <br> John W. Glew <br> †Arthur B. Stone <br> 7 <br> Conducted by Joselp Lord. 

- First peal in the method with a bob bell. $\dagger$ First peal.


## LONDON.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Tuesday, Tuly 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Sixteen Minutes, At 3, Hart's Lane, New Cross, S.E. A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Miss Elsie L. Bennett r-2 | Frank I. Halrs... Walter S. Wise ... $. . . \quad 3-4$ Frank Benneit... Composed and Conducted by Frank Bennett. Umpires: Mr. H. Bevan and Mr. A. Bennington.

## A BICENTENARY CELEBRATION

On Saturday last, about 40 ringers of the Preston branch of the Lanes. Association risited Goosnargh at the invitation of the Vicar to take part in tre celebration of the bicentenary of the bells. The village is about seven miles distant from Preston, and is rather badly situated to reach by train, this being responsible for the comparatively small attendance. There was little ringing previous to the service, which commenced at 3.45 p.m., and to which the general congregation wore invited. A special form of service had been prepared, and the prayers were intoned by the Vicar of Goosnargh (the Rev. T. Bingley Boss, M.A.). The sermon was preached by the Rev. H. J. Elsee (President of the Lancashire Association), who gave an interesting and instructive discourse, which was listened to with rapt attention by all present. Doubtless many of the congregation were surprised at a complete stranger coming amongst them and telling them more about their own village bells than ever they were aware of. In the first place, The asked his hearers to try and picture in their minds the state of the country 200 years ago, and the contrasts between then and now. How in the same year as the beils were hung England was in the throes of a great war with France, and the two countries seemed to regard each other as natural enemies. But now all that was changed, and no two European nations were as friendly as England and France. Then again, in 1714, when King George I came to the throne, they had a Sovereign who cared very little for the church, and very little for his subjects, but only the last week they had had the present King of the same name up and down Lancashire, learning something of the lives of, and getting into close touch with, his Lancashire subjects. Changes like these they could thank God for. Passing on, Mr. Elsee explained the uses of the bells, and how in the old days people had to rely on the bells far more than at the present time, clocks and watches being then a rarity. In conclusion, several inscriptions to be found on bells up and down the country were quoted, and the truths of them pointed out.
Sorvice over, the bells were fired and rung in changes for a short
tine. Then a move was made to the school for tea-Afterwards, fime. Then a move was made to the school for tea.-Afterwards, Mr. Elsee rose to move a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar of Goosnargh for inviting them to be present on that occasion, and for providing them with such a bountiful tea. He was quite aware that the Preston branch was capable of a greater muster, but he could instance several causes which had kept many from coming, such as local field days and haymaking. -The Vicar of Goosnargh, in responding, said that if any thanks were due it was to Mr. Elsee, who had come from Bolton and given them such an instructive sermon. He, as Vicar, could not find words suitable to express his gratitude. He hoped all had spent a pleasant afternoon, and would make good use of the bells before they left for their various homes. Ringing was afterwards kept up till 8 p.m., the methods mostly rung being Plain Bob, Kent and Woodbine Treble Bob, and College Single.

The inscriptions on the bells whose bicentenary was celebrated are as follows (all. are in good condition, though the frame is sadly in need of replacing with a new one):-
Treble.-God preserve the Church and Queen Anne, 1713
2nd.-Wm. Lancaster, Edwd. Edmonson, Ralph Milner, Jno. Grinsbaldestone, Churchwardens, 1713.
3rd.-Abr. Rudhall cast us all, 1713.
4th.-Prosperity to the Church of England, A.R., 1742.
5th.-Christopher Swainsen, A.M. Minister, 1742.
Tenor.-I to the Church the living call,
And to the grave do summon all. 1753.

## BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL FESIIVAL AT TAUNTON.
REPRESENTATION OF LADIES' GUILD DISCUSSED.
About 60 members of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association assembled at Taunton on Saturday week, on the occasion of the annual festival. During the morning the bells of St. Mary Magdalene's and St. James' Churches were kept going in various methods. At dinner, the Master (the Rev. C. C. Parker) presided, supported by the Rev. D. H. Spencer (Winsham), the Rev. de St. Croix (Holy Trinity, Bridgwater), the Rev. C. Carew Cox (Shottery, hon. secretary of the Warwickshire Guild), and the Rev. E. V. Cox (Walsall, hon. secretary of the Society for the Arohdeaconry of Stafford). The following towers were represented: Bath Abbey, Batheaston, Bathford, Bridgwater, Burnham, Cheddar, Chipstable, Congresbury, Ditcheat, Enmore, Ilminster, Midsomer Norton, Old Cleeve, St. Decuman's (Watchet), St. James' (Taunton), St. Mary's (Taunton), Trowbridge, Twerton, Wells, and Wembdon.
The toasts of "The King" and "The Chuich" were honoured, the latter being proposed by Mr. W. J. Prescott (Bath), who, referring to the disestablishment of the Charch in Wales, said he thought it was only the thin end of the wedge to disestablish the English Churoh, and he feared that disestablishment would be a step leading towards. the non-recognition of the Sabbath day. It would be an unhappy day for the people, the Church, and the nation, if there ever cane a time when the Sabbath Day and religion were disregarded.

## 'HHE CHURCH AND ITS WORK.

Tho Rev. D. H. Spencer, in reply, said he believed no efforts from without would depose the church from that position to which God had called her. Even supposing, in course of time, the Church should be disastablished, that was to say, if its position of recognition as the National representative of religion were to come to an end, the Church would have to stand even more firmly in the work that God had given her to do in this world. While God blessed her in her work hefeared no harm from the outside (applause).

The toast of "Other Ringing Associations" was submitted by Mr. G. Stacey (Minehead), and acknowledged by the Rev. E. V. Cox, who said that as a clergyman one was inclined to feel sometimes that the Church had not got such hold of the men as she ought to have, and it was enormously encouraging to come to a meeting like that which made one feel that there were a great number of men who were heart and soul with the Church (hear, hear). Men felt in taking up ringing they must not consider themselves ornaments of the Church-there was no room for such-but real Church workers, who took an active interest in the Church, and were with her in word and deed. He had aitended an annual meeting of ringers at Hereford, and it was most encouraging to see the large number of men who turned up, and he felt that with regard to those associations the more they could meet together and know one another, the more they would through those associations realise the unity of the Church. The more they met together the more they realised that they were all members of one body, and that body the Church (hear, hear), and at a time when the Church was attacked it was for them to show their strength (applause).

RAPID GROWTH OF THE ASSOCIATION
At the business meeting, the Naster, who was in the chair, presented his annual report, in which it was recorded that the progress of the Association during the last year was very satisfactory. Thirteen now towers had become affiliated, and there was now on the list 135 towers and a membership of 1,450 , inc'usive of honorary members. There was also an increase of peals, 50 having been rung against 40 of the preceding year. In referring to the certificate issued by the Association, the Master pointed out that more than half the new members had not obtained a certificate. He thought tho purchase of a certificate should be made an essential of admission to the Association. The report next emphasised the importance of maintaining and increasing the number of honorary members, and urged the deanery secretaries to keep up the contributions to the general fund as high as possible. The report procecded: "It has been decided by the committee that in the future the expenses of each member in attending committee meetings should be paid from the general fund. It is hoped, therefore, that special efforts will be made to increase the amount sent annually by each deanery. Mr. Coles will bring before you an interesting point raised at the meeting of the Central Council It appears that the lady ringers desire to be represented on that body. If the laily ringers have an association of their won, and are sufficiently numerous, they certainly ought to have the same kind of consideration that any other borly of ringers would receive. In our own diocese we have some very capable lady ringers, and, therefore, wo ought to form an opinion to guido the delegate who attends the next meeting of the Central Council. I rarely say much about our secretary in the report, but I think I should be failing in my duty if I did not sometimes give honour where honour is due. I hope that all members recognise the valuable work he has done during his tenure of office. The Association has nearly doubled in number since lie was first appointed, and consequently this clerichl labours have greatly increased. The honorarium received by him is, of course, quite inadequate, if regarded as pay for the work done, and he could occupy his time far more profit ably, as far as money is concermed, in other ways; but he is full of
enthusiasm for the progress of the Asbosiation, and glad to devote his energy to its interests, although it be at the cost of some sacrifice to himself. I consider that we are particularly fortunate in our secretary, and I trust that he may long continue in his important office to forward the welfars of the Association." After detailing the meetings held and the peals $n$ ing during the year, the report added thanks to the local secretaries, and to the instructors for their excellent work for the Association.

## THE QUESTION OF CERTIFICATES.

Mr. 1. B. Holmyard (Midsomer Norton) thought that the purchase of a certificate should be made essential to membership, and woukd incroase the subscriptions, and said he would like to propose a resolution to thai efiect.-Mr. Coles thought it not possible under the present rules to carry out such a suggestion. No one was entitled to a certificate until the was proficient in ringing, but he could become a member.-Mr. D. G. Taylor said that a man should not be allowed to have a certificate until he became a full member, and he thought would bo an advantage if it was made a sime qua non that to be a full momber he must possess a certificate. -The Rev. de St. Croix suggested that as there was a good balance in hand members might lave the certificates presented gratis.
Mr. W. J. Prescott suggested that the matter be held over for the pesent. He thought that possession of certificates should not be mado compulsory, or it might have a bad effect on getting new members. If it was held, over, the branch secretaries might try to do what they could to get members to take certificates, and they would see what the result was in twelve months' time. With regard to the honorary members' subscriptions, he advised branch secretaries to try and get them paid in advance, which was the plan he followed.-The suggestion was agreed to.
Mr. Burgess presented the balance sheet for the year ending June 1st. The year had commenced with a balance in hand of $£ 806 \mathrm{~s}$. 10d.; and the receints had been $£ 534 \mathrm{~s} .7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d} .$, making a total of $£ 13311 \mathrm{~s} .5 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. The expenditure had amounted to $£ 5815 \mathrm{~s} .4 \mathrm{~d} . ;$ and there was a balanoe in hand of $£ 74$ 16s. $1 \frac{1}{2} d$.-The balance sheet was adopted, with thanks to the auditor (the Rev. J. Hook, Glastonbury).
The meeting roted an honorarium of ten guineas to the hon. secretary (Mr. E. E. Burgess), and the following officers were re-elected: Vioc-presidents, the Very Rev. Dr. Jex Blake, the Ven. the Archdeacons of Welis, Bath and Taunton, the Rev. Preb. Bothamley and Lady Smyth: Master, the Rev. C. C. Parker; hon. secretary, Mr. E. E. Burgess: auditor, the Rev. A. J. Hook.-Fighty-eight new performing members and nine hon. members were elected.
Evorcrecch, Barrow, Gurney and Frome were selected for the quarterly meetings.

## LADIES' GUILD AND THE CENTRAL COUNCIL

Mr. A. F. Coles presented a report upon the Central Couricil meoting at Newcastle, whish he attended as a representative of the Association. One particular point which arose, he said, was with regard to the Ladies Guild being represented on the Central Council. It seemed, however, that after the agenda was printod the ladies withdrew their request, as they were not large enough in membership to really demand representation, according to the rules, but it was intended to bring up the matter next year, when they hoped to be of sufficient strengtin to be entitled to representation. If that was the case, it seemed to him that representation could not be denied them, but the Central Council, in the meantime, wished the branches to discuss the question among themselves, so that when the time came the Council might have some sort of instruction how to deal with it. There eeemed to be some feeling agasinst ladies being in the tower at all, and what was asked now was that every branch secretary should bring the matter before his branch and ascertain the feeling of the members upon it, so that next year the Central Council, which was to mect at Winchester, would be able to deal with the subject according to the wishes of the associations. His own opinion with regard to it was that the Bath and Wells Association must follow the opinion of the branches as a whole. They had had, he reminded them, a lady who had condructed a peal, and they had been very proud of it and had given her a testimonial. One bright point that had struck him in connection with the meeting was the great good fellowship shown by the Newcastle Association with regard to the whole proceedings.
In the course of discussion, Mr. Coles said the ladies wanted to be represented as a Guild, and, as he understood it, they had a right to be represented if they numbered 75 members. -Mr. Presoott pointed out that though the Associations had lady members, of whom they were proud, the ladies were now represented through the delegates elected by their own Associations.
Some further discussion took place on the subject, the general feeling being that no special representation was required at present, and the ladies must wait until of sufficient membership to ask for representation.

## THANKS.

The Chairman said that, before the meeting closed, he would like to vaice the thanks of the Association to Canon Corfield for the use of the church bells. and for having a service held, at which he would given ann address; also their thanks were due to the Rev. Dr. Dixon for the use of St. James' bells, and the Rev. J. M. Bastard for the Wilton bells. and Mr. Merson, of Bishop's Hull, for arranging for the use of
the bells there. The members of the Association owed them a debt of gratitude for the very kind welcome they had had at Taunton, where they had bsen very glad to come, because it was the secretary's home, and they thanked those who had receired them so hospitably.-The vote of thanks was carried by acclamation.

A vote of thanks to the Master terminated the business, and many of the members once more went back to the church towers to ring touches until service time. The towers open to the Association were: St. Mary's ( 10 bells), St. James' (eight bells), Taunton; Wilton (six bells); and Bishop's Hull (six belis).
In the evening a service was held in St. Mary's Church, when an address was given by the Rev. Canon Corfield.

## AXBRIDGE DEANERY BRANCH.

A quarterly meeting of this branch was held at Mark on Saturday last, about 40 members being present from Burnham, Bridgwater, Brent Knoll, East Brent, Cheddar, Congresbury, Winscombe, Wrington, Weston-super-Mare, Uphill, Huntspill, and others. Service was held at 4.30 in the Parish Church, and a capital address given by the Rector (the Rev. G. L. Fitzmaurice). - Tea was partaken on the Rectory lawn, and was much enjoyed. The Rev. G. L. Fitzmaurice presided at tha meeting, in the absence of the President. - One honorary and seventeen performing members were elected. Blagdon was chosen for the next quarterly meeting, and Worle for the intermediate meeting.- $\Lambda$ very hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for the uee of bells, his able address, for the tea, and presiding. at the meeting.-The reverend gentleman suitably responded.-Votes of thanks were also accorded to the ladies and, the organist. During the afternoon and evening several touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles were mung, also a 720 Bob Minor: J. Coram 1, B. Thorpe 2, F. Iley 3, A. G. Coles 4, G. Chamberlain 5, J. Sykes (conductor) 6.

## BICESTER CHURCH BELLS RESTORED.

On 'Thursday of last week, the town of Bicester, Oxon, was en fete, on the occasion of the dedication of the Parish Church bells.

During the past three years the bells of the old tower have been silent through dilapidation, but they are now able again to send forth their notes of warning, welcome, joy and sadness. A hearty word of congratulation must be given to the people of Bicester for the very keen and ready response made by them in order that their town should once more have the pleasure of the sweet and melodious tones which none but bells can produce.
The ringing arrangements were left in the hands of the Oxford Society of Change Ringers and members from Oxford and Kidington, and visitors from the district around were present. Following the service of dedication, som? very good touches of Stedman, Grandsire and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung.

The recasting and rehanging of the present peal of bells has been very ably and excellently carried out by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Cioydon, and also those present testified to the very sweet tone produced by the latest, up-to-date, and scientific method of casting and tuning.

The work of rehanging is so excellently done that critics are more than satisfied with what has been done by Messrs. Gllett and Johnston, who have made such efficient strides in the method of casting and hanging bells.
In addition to those mentioned above, ringers also present included Mr. Coles, (of Briclgwater, Somerset), and Mr. Shepherd (Swindon), whilst Mr. Cyril Johnston (of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston), and Mr. L. F. Taylor (also of the Foundry) took part in the ringing.

The eight belis were all recast, tuned on the five-tone Simpson principle, and hung in a new steel and iron frame, and supplied with new fittings throughout. The chime hammers wers also renovated and reconnected with the clock. The weights of the peal are as follow:-
Treble, Note F, weight, 3 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lbs.: No. 2, Note E, 3 owt. 2 qr. 12 lbs.; No. 3, Note D, 4 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lbs.; No. 4, Note C, 4 cwt .3 qr . 20 lbs.: No. 5 , Note $B$ fiat. 6 ewt. 2 qr. 12 lbs : No. 6, Note A, 7 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lbs ; No. 7, Note $G, 10 \mathrm{cwt}$.1 qr .3 lbs .; No. 8, Note F, 15 cwt. 0 qr. 7 lbs $;$ total weight, 56 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lbs.
Each of the bells bears the inscription: "Recast by Gillett and Johnston, Croydon, 1913." and on the tenor is added: "The whole peal of eight bells recast A.D. 1913. Walter O'Reilly, M.A., Vicar; Thomas Costar Finch, Robert Watts, Churchwardens.'

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Biggleswade branch was held at Willington. on Saturday, when an attendance of about 30 members was present from Clifton, Sandy, Potton, Old Warden, Everton, Blunham, Northill, and Roxton, augmented by members from Badfond, Husborn Crawley, and Elstow.-At the business mecting, presided over by the Rev. B. F. Tyrwhitt Drake, two new members were elected, one from Northill, and one from Blunham. Several other matters were discussed and left over until the next meeting. The following meetings were also arranged: August 11th. Biggleswade: September 6ih, Everton; October 4th (quarterly), Sandy.- A vote of thanks to the Rev. F. W'. Kingston for granting the us? of the bells was unanimously passed.Practice was obtained upon the bells in ravious methods from Doubles to Surprisc Minor, this being one of the best meetings held by tha branch.

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Cambridge Surorise Maximus by the College Youths.
Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on Miay 11th 1912.
Stedman Cinques by the piriadlesex Association, June 1st.
Stedman Cinques by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17th.
Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the Kent Association, December 7th, 1812.

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## THE MIDDLESEX MEETING AT HESTON.



## ODD CHANGES.

The bells of Shoreditch are not, after all, to be dedicated on Tuesday next, as had been announced. The Vicardesignate has decided that it will be better to wait until the bells are finished and have a good opening ceremony, when the Borough Council will attend.

We hear that there is an unfortunate state of affairs existing at St. Mary's, Willesden. A correspondent writes :-

- In years gone by there was a church in the City of London, dedicated to St. Peter-le-pore, which has long since been demolished. The bells were deposited in St. Paul's Cathedral, and any church could have had them for the asking. Esentually they were given to the authorities of St. Mary's, Willesden, who had them recast and hung to make up the ochave in their tower, a little over twelve months ago. The Bishop of the Diocese, however, refuses to dedicate them, and the authorities refuse to have them rung, because the casting and hanging has not been paid for. About f8o is owing, of which, I believe, they have Eis. If any of the readers of 'The Ringing World' could assist in any way to wipe off the debt I am sure they would feel mosi grateful. Contributions would gladly be accepted by the Rector of St. Miary's, Willesden."

A large number of ringers throughout the country know the church of St. Peter, Brighton, for many hundreds of risitors 10 this famous resort have been to the belfry and joined in touch or peal. The bells, however, are but a poor ring, and certainly not worthy of so fine an edifice. The announcement will, therefore, come with particular interest to the Exercise that at last the question of improving them has been raised.

In connection with a presentation made in the belfry to Mr. Feith Hart last Saturday, the Vicar of Brighton referred to the question, and although he did not hold out hope of the scheme being put in hand immediately, an-
nounced a generous offer in regard to the proposal by Mr. J. T. Rickman, of Lewes. With this behind him the Vicar has great encouragement to go forward with the scheme.

On the point of going to press we learn that the Caversham band, on Tuesday evening, rang the first peal in that most intricate method composed by Mr. J. W. Washbrook, and known as Surprise Principal. Full details will be published next week.

Members of the St. Martin's Guild should note that the meeting at Yardley, advertised last week, has been postponed.

## MARRIAGE OF MR. B. PREWETT.

St. James' Church, Bushey, was the scene of an extremely pretty wedding on Saturday, when Mr. Bertram Prewett, only son of Mr. J. Prewett, of Bushey, and a ringer well known throughout the country, was married to Miss Ida. Elton, third daughter of the late iIr. Francis Elton and Mrs. Elton, of Kensington. The service was attended by a large number of friends and well-wishers, and the ceremony was performed by the Rector (the Rev. G. M. Hall), assisted Wy the Ficar of Oxhey (the Rer. J. W. Levis).
After the serrice, the happy pair left the church to the pealing of the bells, and subsequently a reception was held at Bush's Restaurant. Jr. Prewett's fellow ringers at Bushey Church afterwards rang a peal of Kent Trek'e Bob Major in honour of the event. The Middlesex Association scored a peal of Cambridge for the same purpose, and at Eolsorer, Derbyshire, and Kelsale, Suffolk, peals were also rung to celebrate the occasion.

The happy couple were the recipients of a large number of handsome presents, among them being a marble chiming clock from the members of the Middlesex Association, a beautiful marble clock and ounament suitably inscribed from the members of the Hicrtford County Asscciation, and a barometer from the Bushey company.

## THE MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION'S GIFT.

## To the Editor.

Denr Sir,-I have receised a magnificent chiming clock from members and friends of the Middlesex County Association of Change Ringers, on the occasion of my wedding, and I desire, through the medium of your columns, on bolalf of my wife and myself, to thank all the kind friends who contributed towards it.
Its sweet chimes will always sorve to remind me of the very many happy hours I have speat in the belfry, and of the mumerons friends I have made during the 15 years I have been connected with the As-sociation.-Yours faithfully,

BERTRAM PREWETT.

NEW MINOR METHODS.
In the peal rung at Norbury, Cheshire, on Saturday, four hitherto unpubished legitimate methods were included in the spliced 720 's. They were the following:-

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These methode are tine work of Mr. E. H. Lewis, of Frodsham. They are legitimate, but do not appear in the C.C. Collection.

## The calling of the spliced extents.



## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION

A very successful meeting of the Stroud and District Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association was held at Horsley, 23 members being present from Avening, Minchinhampton, Stroud, Painswick, Horsicy and Dursley. On the fine peal of six bells some good touches of Plain Bob and Grandsire were rung. Service was held in the Parish Church, when the special hymns and prayers from the service of the association were used.-The Vicar (the Rev. C. H. Badcock) gave an excellent address, in which he emphasiscd the fact that the ringing of the church bells was a definite piece of church work, and heartily welcomed the Association, which was doing such an excellent work in belfry reform. After the service, by the kindness of the Vicar, an excellent tea was provided at the Institute, 24 sitting down. - A business meeting followed, with the Vicar in the chair.-Two new members were elected, and Frocester was selected for the quarterly meeting in September, monthly meetings at Cranham and Painswick in July, and at Stroud in August, being also arranged.-A hearty vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. J. Singleton, and seconded by Mr. E. Tribe, to the Vicar for his kindness and the excellent, practical address, to Miss Smith for presiding at the organ, the ladies who attended to the ringers at the tea, and the local ringers for arranging everything so well for the metting. The tower was again visited, and touches of Grandsire, Plain Bob, Ste lman, St Junstan's and 'Treble Bob were rung.

PRESENTATION TO MR. KEITH HART.
SUSSEX RINGERS ACKNOWLEDGE GREAT SERVICES.
An interesting ceremony took place in the belfry of St. Peter's Church, Brighton, on Saturday evening, when Mr. Keith Hart, whose name is one of the best known in the Exercise to-day, was presented with a solid gold English lever watch, as a mark of esteem from hie friends and admirers belonging to tho Sussex County Association, and in commemoration of the performance of 500 peals under the auspices of that organisation.

The Vicar of Brighton presided over the gathering, and, after a few introductory remarks, called on Mr. J. T. Rickman, of Lewes, who said his association with campanology dated from 1885, and what he had done in the way of peal ringing was almost entirely due to $S$ Peter's band. Mr. Hart was a man whom it would be a credit for any band to poasess. Of all the peals the speaker hadi rung, Mr. Hart had conducted three-fourths, and it was their earnest wish that he would continue long with them.
M1: Edward C. Merritt said it was twenty-five yoars ago when he first tnok part in change ringing in the town of Brighton, and the St Peter's band had sncceeded in ringing all the advanced methods. Mr Hart had given his services for the advancement of change ringing, and he also possessed all the qualifications of a conductor. It was most essential that they should have a man who, when a ringer let his thoughts temporarily wander, could put them back again in their proper place. Mr. Hart had striven his hadest to improre the quality of the striking of the band, and ringers knew what an essential pari this played in the ringing world. If all of them only put as much cnergy into their work as Mr. Hart did, there would not be so many complaints of people being annoyed by the sound of the bells.-Letters of apology for non-attendance were read from Mr. F. B. Tompkins, Master of the Association; Mr. G. Watson, the general secretary; Mr. G. ITowes, divisional secretary, Eastern Division; and Mr. George Wil liams, a former leader of the St. Peter's band.

## ST. PETER'S GUILD'S PROUD POSITION

In making the presentation, the Vicar said he had the greatest aclmiration for men who understood the art of ringing. He was not going to pretend that he was an expert, but he had noticed that when a man took up the art it possessed him with a love of it which never seemed to leave him. He was quite aware that the Guild of St. Peter's held a position second to none in the diocese, and it had produced a number of men who were tremendously keen in this work. and had produced most admirable results. It was quite unnecessary to paint the lily, for they all knew the reputation they possessed, and as Vicar of the parish he felt extremely grateful for the position they had maintained for so many years. For the last six years that posi tion had been due to the oplendid leadership of Mr. Hart (hear, hear) Before he became their leader the band had risen to a high standard, and it was not everyone who could have maintained that standard but Mr. Hart had more than maintained it. The Vicar then presented Mr. Hart with the watch, amid loud applause.
In his acknowledgment, Mr. Hart said he had been connected with St. Peter's all his life, and for the last 22 years had been a ringer. Theringers' band sustained a great loss when Mr. George Williams left Brighton, and it was to him that he (the spaker) owed all his ability. He had tried to follow in his footsteps with all humility, and in no way jealous of the great success attained by his predecessor. He felt that he possessed their confidence, and all the while that feeling prevailed he was prepared to lead them.

SUGGESTED NEW PEAL FOR ST. PETER'S.
The Vicar said that when he was talking with Mr. Rickman before the meeting, that gentleman mentioncd the idea of having an entirely new peal of bells for St. Peter's, so that they would be the best in the diocese (applause). Mr. Rickman had made a most generous offer, but he (the Vicar) did not want to raise their hopes too high. The parish was a poor one, and there were a. lot of people who would perhaps call the expenditure a luxury. Mr. Rickman's generous offer made it possible to think of a peal of ten or twelve bells in the future, but he was afraid it could not take place in the near future unless someone came forward to supplement Mr. Rickman's offer. They had some very heavy debts in the parish, the total amount being $£ 2,000$. There was $£ 1,400$ still owing on the chancel fund, and some $£ 350$ on the organ. However, he would not say it could not be done, and they were all extremely grateful for Mr. Rickman's generous offer.

Mr. Rickman said they should have a peal with a tenor about 26 cwt., and then they would have the heaviest tenor in the county. Unless they had such a bell they would not know what the beils could do. Now he had taken the matter up, he could assure them he did not intend to let it drop.

Mr. Hart said it was characteristic of Mr. Rickman that when he once took up a subject there was no holding him. He could assure them that the bells at S.t. Peter's were not fit for such a church, and it seemed a pity that now the church was finished it should be spoilt by such poor bells. The gathering concluded with a vote of thanks to the Vicar.

GESTINGTHORPE.-On May 25th, 720. Kent Treble Bob, arratigedi for Mr. J. Bowell, of Great Rromley: F. Pearson 1, A. Catterwell 2. J. Bowell 3 F. Cansell 4. W. Nice 5, G. Pannell (couductor) 6 .


York Minster.
MESSRS. JOHN WARNER \& SONS, Ltd., of the Spitalfields Foundry, London, have been entrusted with the following rings of 12 bells:

YORK MINSTER (Tenor 50늘 cwt.)
ST. LEONARD'S CHURCH, SHOREDITCH (Tenor 28 $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ) CHELMSFORD PRO CAThEDRAL (Teyor 32 cwt .)

## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

## A CITY GUILD'S OUTING.

On saturclay, the ringers of the St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, Guild had their fourth annual outing, and visited Waltham Abbey, Essex. Half of the ringers went by tram in the morning, and the others, with visitors, left Liverpool Street shortly after one o'clock. The Green Dragon was made the headquarters for the day, and here the party were met by Mr. W. A. Alps (Master, Waltham Abbey Society) and Mr. D. Tarling (steeplekeeper). The Abbey was visited in the morning by the early arrivals, and the bells seti going. Subsequently, a company, numbering 23 , sat down to (linner, among those present being Dr. Beswick and
$M_{1}$ : Pridmore (vico-prosidents), churchwardens of Bishopsgate; Rev. J. A. S. Bullock, B.A. (oaptain), Mossis. 'T. Walker, W. Ariold, G. E. Edwards, W. J. Nelder, W. Kirby, II. G. Laver, A. H. Jaynes (treasurer), A. S. Pettett and A. V. Marsh (stewards), V. Sones, and the hon. secretary (Mr. T. V. Horner) of the Bishopsgate band, Messrs. T. Mash, and E. Wallage (Southwark), WT. A. Alps and D. Tarling (Waltham Abbey), and the following gucsts: Messiz. R. Pridmore, J. Laver, E. Nightingale, Major W. Dennison, and Mr. J. Crow. Afterwards, the party proceeded by brakes to Cheshunt, where the Vicar, to whom thanks are duc, had kindly loaned the use of the bells for a short period. The return was made via Worlcy, and after reaching the Green Dragon, the party were photographed, and then adjourned for tea. Subsequently Messrs. A. G. Thompson, T. Adams, G. Colc, L. G. Thurgood (Waltham Abbey), F. Jelf, II. Cormell, H. Symonds, H. G. Rowe, G. Maxin, H. Tucker (Cheshunt ringers), joined the party.Mr. A. E. Pridmore, on behalf of the Bishopsgate Guild, expressed thanks to Mr. Alps, and the other gentlemen who had assisted and made such a pleasant day.-Mr. W. A. Alps and Mr. Tarling (steeplekeeper) responded. - Mr. Laver and Mr. Robert Pridmote thanked the Guild on behalf of the guests.--Thanks were accorded to the churchwardens and visitors for their presence, and a similar compliment was accorded the host and hostess. It was with regret that the following gentlemen were unable to be present: The Rector of St. Botolphs (the Rev. WT. Hudson Shaw, Mi.A., President of the Guild), the Rev A. R. Fedley, Messrs. F. Andrews, N. J. Jauralde, W. Lindley Jones, C.C., A. C. Stanley Stone, C.C., and Lieut. F. E. Nellers. The singing of several well-rendered songs bronght a very pleasant and successful outing to a close.

During the day some good ringing took place, in which was included several well-struck touches of Stedman Triples, Grandsire Triples, and Oxford Bob Triples, on both Waltham Abbes and Cheshunt bells. BISIIOP RYDERS, BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, tho ringers of Bishops Ryder's Church, Birmingham, and their wires, journeyed to Stourbridge for their annual outing. At sit. Thomas; Stourbridge, they were met by the fower keeper, and touches of Bob Miajor and Grandsire Triples were rung. After tea, at Giles' Restaurant, the Vicar expressed his pleasure in being with the ringers, and welcomed the tower keepers who were present. He expressed his thanks to the Vicars of the other churches for the use of their bells, and hoped the party would have an enjogable time. Mr. Carrod thanked the Vicar for his kindness in providing tea for them, and also for the interest he took in their meetings. $M$. Heath cote (local tower keeper) said he was pleased to see the Vicar of Bishop Ryder's with his ringers, and thought how much better things would bo if more of the Vicars were like him. -The ladies then risited the sights of the district, and the ringers wended their way to Oldswinford tower, where Bob Major, Grandsire and stedman ords they adjourned to the bowling green, and the handbells were brought into requsition until the time for departure.

## A LANCASHIRE OUTING

The ringers of CoIne, Lancashire, for their annual outing journeyed hy brake to Heptonstall. The party mustered 13, but despite the unlucky number, ererything was their farour. The first stop was Todmorden Parish Church, where they were given a hearty welcome
by the local ringers. It pleasod everyone to soe Mr. Heaton, Colne's reteran (better known amongst his brother ringers as "Owd Bill"), who is now in his 81 st year, pull the 23 cwt. tenor to a touch of Grandsire Triples. At Heptonstall, the party were met by Mr. Robertshaw, who had kindly made arrangements for an excellent dinner at the White Lion Hotel. Here the visitors were introduced to "Old Roger" Shackleton, the oklest inhabitant in the village, who greatly interested them by giving his reminiscences of Colne sisty years ago. After dinner, the party went to the Church to try the new peal. They were welcomed by the Vicar and the local ringers, and short touches of Grandsire and Stedman were rung. Everyone was delighted with the tone and "go" of the bells. Next the party were shown round the ruins of the old church by Mr. Armstrong. It keenly interested them to see two churches in one churchyard. After a four hours' stay, in Heptonstall, the party journeyed to Keighley. Although rather pushed for time, six of the younger members managed to get a short pull at Grandsire with two of the local ringers. Home was reached safely at 10 p.m. Tho Colne ringers wish to take this opportunity of thanking and friends .and frionds who made the outing a pleasant and successful one.

## AT BLACKPOOL.

The ringers of Minnrow Church, with their wives and friends, had their amuald outing on Saturday, when St. Anne's and Blackpool were risited. At St. Aune's they were met at the church by Mr. Rushworth and two of his band, who took part in a pull with the visitors. After tea, the remainder of the day was spent at Blackpool. The outing was a most enjoyable one.

## A DORSET TRIP

Tlie Wyke Regis (Wrymonth) Guild for their first annual outing visited Bridport, and were clriven thence lo West Bay, where all were delighted with the still primitive aspect of the place, and the lovely view of the Dorset, and Devon coast, which the glorious day seemed to have lit up for their special bencfit. On their return to Bridport they were met at the fine old Parish Church by Canon Farror, who kindly conducted them over the interasting edifice. They then went to tho tower, and rang flaree courses of Grandsire Triples and two six-scores of Doubles. Dinnor was partaken of at the Greyhound Hotel, Host Trump catering in his well-known slyle. Next a move was made for lhroadwinsor, " the finn sconsry en route being greatly admired," ank same Grandsire Doubles were rung on the six bells of that Church; then ou to Beanoinster, wbere several touches of Grandsire Triples and Donbles were rung on the magnificent peal there. Tea was serwel at the White Hart Hotel, and the company was joined by Mr. A. E. Coles, of Rridgwat:r. Afterwards Netherbury was visited, and the peal of six wis set going to Grandsiro
Doubles. En routs to Bridport, the tower of Bradpole clamed tho ringers' attention, and sone touches of Grandisire Triples and Doubles were mug on the light pal of right in that tower. The Bradpole ringers being away upon their own annual outing, had left fraternal greetings in the tower. The party left for home by the last train, after a most enjoyable outing, in which they gained much experienco in strange belfries. The Guild expressed their pleasure at the courtesy they received at each place risited. All the armangements were made by the hon. secretary (Mr. C. II. Jemings). Mr. W. Rose, the captain, was in charge of the party of thirteen, and IIT. L. W. Wiffen conalucted the rarious touches.

## RCIKINGTON.

For the third year in succession, the ringers of the Eckington Parish Church were invited by the Rector to join the choir on the occasion of the anmual trip, and they had a most enjoyable excursion to Scarborough, despite the fact that the journey was rather long. No ringing was indulged in, as, most of tho party being novices, they did not care to put themselwes forward. This they hope to remedy in tho not far distant futuro, however. A very happy day was spent, thanks to
their esteemed friend, the Rector (the Rev. W. R. ITewson) and the churchwardens.

## MR. REUBEN SANDERS' 200 PEALS.

Doubles, 2; Minor, 2: Grandsire Triples, 12; Caters, 1; Double Norwich, 2; Stedman Triples. 35; Caters, 34; Cinques, 16; Bob Major, 4 ;
Kent Treble Bob Major, 7: Royal, 4; Maximus, 2; Superlative Major; 28: Cambridge Major, 6; Cambridge Royal, 12: Cambridge Maximus, Bristol Surprise, 21 (including the record 15,264); London Surprise, 11 ; total, 200.

## FUNERAL OF MR. F. A. NUNN. <br> PATHETIC GRAVENTDE SCENE.

The mortal remains of the late Mr. F. A. Numn, of London, who was drowned in the river at Boreham, Essex, and whose sad death was recorded in our last issue, were laid to rest in the quiet little churchyard on Wedneslay of last week. The following members of the Essex Association, Messrs. Edwards (district master), Cooper (district sccretary), Kirton, Ifead and Wralden, preceded the mournful procession to the church, where it was met by the Vicar, the Rev. D. N. Youge, who conducted the service both in the church and at the graveside. After the service, a course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells over the grave by Messrs. Kirton 1-2. Edwards 3-4, Cooper 5-6, Head
$7-8$. Sad as it was, it was satler gtill when just as the ringing ceased, the widow and sister. of deceased who had travelled from London to ittend the obsequies arrived. Owing to some misunderstanding as to time, the service was at an end, and the poor widew was heart-broken. She swooned on taking a last look at the coffin, and was afterwards assisted to the Vicarage by Mossis. Edwards and Cooper, where sho received tender care from the Vicar's wife (Mrs Yonge). The sorrowing couple subsequently roturned to London to join the three young hildren, who are left fatherless.
The pathetic scene moved men and women alike to tears. Wreaths were sent from the widow, two little nephews, the firm, and employ
of Messis. Warncr and Sous, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Groombridge. As a token of respect to the late Mr. Nunn, who was a ringing member at St. Ann's Church, 'Tottenham, the bells were half-mufile t on the day of the funeral. The whole pull and stand was rung by T. Croombridec, junr., 1, A. Howell 2, 1. Davidson 3, W. Powell 4, C.
Ross 5, C. Davidson 6. A 720 of Bob Minor followed: E. Daridson 1, C. Ross 2, A. Howell 3. W. Powell 4. T. Groombriclge 5, T. Scarlelt 6. And 240 Granasire Douhles: H. Stubbs 1, I'. C. Ringrose 2, E. Davidson 3, A. Howell 4, C. Ross (conductor) 5, C. Davidson 6.

## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

The summer quarterly meeting of the North Notts Association was held at Harworth on Saturday last. By the kind permission of the Rev. F. d'Arbley Burney (Harworth) and the Rev H. E. Booty (Tickhill), the bells of both churches were placed at the disposal of ringers during the afternoon and evening, and were soon pouring out their melodious notes. The following towers were represented: Anston, Fast Markham, Ordsall, East Retford, Worksop and Hanworth, and Mansfield. A cordial invitation had been given through "The Ringing Workd" to ladies and gentlemen of kindred associations, and whilst ringing was in progress at Harworth, the party were favoured with the presence of Mr. C. Glenn, secretary of Yorkshire Association, Mr. A. and Miss Winfred Hague from Rotherham, and others who had cycled over in response to the invitation. The Vicar received the visitors, and whilst ringing was in progress, with his usual kindness, escorted them through the interior of the church, explained the history and the many beautiful antiquities which the building contains. Touches at this place were brought round in the following methods: Grandsire Doubles, Stedman, Plain Bob, Violet, Woodbine, and 720 Cambridge Surprise, whilst Mr. Glenn and his skilledl company of artists delighted the village onlookers in the churchyard with touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples on a small but musical ring of handbells, Miss Winifred Hague handling the trebles most skilfully in the Stedman, to the intense delight of all present.

Tea was served in the Harworth School Room, and, in these days of increasing demands upon the time of the parish clergyman, it was a pleasure to lave the Vicar presiding over the proceedings, aud the business meeting which followed. The tea, to which about 34 sat flown, was splendidly arranged by the Vicar, and the catering was most ably carried out by Messis. Stabler and Becson, of Bautry.
Onc new member was electerl, and Everton was selected as the next place of meeting.-Votes of thanks to the Rev. F. dArbley Burney and the Rev. H. E. Booty, Vicar of Tickhill, for granting the use of the bells and the former gentleman for presiding at the tea and business merting was proposed by Mr. II. Wanburton, and seconded by the secretary (Mr. H. Haigh).-The Vical said it was a real pleasure to him to welcome the members to Harworth, and as it was nine years since last the Asscciation met there, he was delighted to see them present in such a large number. He had only a little knowledge of change ringing, but was always pleased to hear a peal of bells when skilfully rung. They had had difficulties in keeping a change ringing bandi in their tower, but as they had now got a new supply of John Nicolls' ropes, and the bells were in capital going order, he hoped, with the assistance of the Association and their energetic captain, Mr. Tlarrison, to have a band capable of ringing in the proper way very shortly. As uvity was an important factor in the adrancement of the art of change ringing, all should and must, if success was to be achieved. Work together
At Tickhill, for which place all the members made after the meeting, touches in Grandsire, Plain Bob. Kent Treble Bob, Stedman on the carrillon played.

## CARILLONEURS AT LOUGHBOROUGH.

AN INTERESTING AFTERNOON AT THE FOUNDRY.
A most interesting afternoon was spent at the Loughborough Bell Foundry on Saturday afternoon, when a large gathering of members of the Incorporated Society of Musicians listened to a lecture on "The Carillon and its music," given in the tuning room by Mr. W. W. Starmer, F.R.A.M., the famous English authority on the subject, and subsequently listened to a performance by two of Belginm's most celebrated carillon artists. On the foundry carillon of 40 bells, M. J. van Teers, of Scharbeck, and M. Josef Denyn, of Mechlin, each performed the wonderful skill for which these bell musicians are so justly famed. The performance was a remarkable one, and quite a novelty for an English audience, who were delighted with the effects which were obtained by these masters of the carillon art. The pieces selected ranged from English songs like "Old King Cole," the Welsh "March of the men of Harlech," to extracts from Schubert, and the sonatas of Nicholai and Fichter. The lecture and performance were preceded by the casting of bells in the foundry, an operalion which the risitors watched wilh the greatest interest, and during the afternoon, Messis. Taylor and Co. kindly provided tea.

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## HENFIELD'S PROUD POSSESSION.

## SUSSEX TOWERSS FINE OCTAVE DEDICATED.

St. Peter's Day was an eventful day in the history of Henficld: Church, for not only was it the Pational Festival, but also the occasion of the dedication of the newly recast peal of eight bells 111 the afternoon, and of the confirmation of fifty-seven candidates in the evening, the Bishop of Chichester officiating at each. For the dedication of the bells, the Bishop, with the Vicar (the Rev. Reginald J. Lea, R.D.), the Rev. L. W. Miles, and the Rev. E. G. W. Foote, with the choir and Sunday School children wended their way in procession from the Vicarage to the church, while the hymn, "The Church's one foundation," was sung. At the church they were met by the churchwardens (Messrs. J. Eardley Hall and J. Baines). After short evensong, the Bishop, clergy and churchwardens proceeded to the tower, where the Bishop pronounced the words of Dedication.- A few rounds were then rung on the bells, and the Bishop afterwards preached from Numbers $x, 2$. and his interesting sermon touched upon the history and the messages of church bells.
The ringers in the Dedication service were L. Payne. W. Lish, C. Roberts, S. Burt, G. Gander, E. Lish, G. Payne and A. Hodges. At the conclusion of the service, a 504 Stedman Triples was rung by: W. Markwell 1, W. Lish 2, E. Lish 3, S. Burt 4, G. Payne 5, J. W. Alliss 6, L. Payne (conductor) 7, A. Hodges 8. Another 504 Stedman. Triples was rung for the confirmation service in the evening, with Messis. E. D. Taylor, W. Billinghuist and W. Smith, of the Loughborough firm taking part. Another 504 was rung after the service by the local bant.
The recast peal are tuned on the late Canon Simpson's principle, and, taking weight of metal into consideration, could not be surpassed for richness and depth of tone. The bells have been hung in a new A. section iron frame, built upon four substantial steel girders, with all new fittings of modern design, the work having been carried out most successfully by Messis. Johil Taylor and Co., of Loughborough.
The tenor bell was recast as a memorial to the late Vicar, and bears the following inscription:-

To the Glory of God. And in grateful memory of William Wakeford, B.A., Priest. Vicar of this parish, 1899-1912.
The diameters, wfights and notes of the bells are as follows

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| 5 th | 2 | $10^{3}$ | 7 | 1 | 11 | A |
| 5th | 3 | 01 | 8 | 3 | 17 | G sharp |
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| Tenor | 3 | $9 \frac{1}{1}$ | 16 | 2 | 7 | E. |
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A ringing mocting is to be beld at Henfield on tho first Monday in. August.
The first quarter-peal on the new bells was rung on Sunday, 1260 of Stedman Triples being brought round for evening service, in 50 mins., by: W. Markwell 1, W. Mish 2, G. Payne 3, E. Lish 4. L. Payne 5, J. W. Alliss 6, C. Tyler (conductor) 7, A. Hodges 8.

## HERE AND THERE.

The monthly district practices established in Goole and district about year ago, are giving satisfactory results. On Saturay week an attempt was made for a peal of Grandsire Triples at Hatfield, and after good ringing for 2 hrs. 15 mins., the treble rope broke. The following took part: G. Wilburn 1, 'T. Smith 2, E. Purdy 3, C. W. King 4, D. England 5, H. Ludkin (conductor) 6, D. Carmictaael 7, J. Drake 8. Afterwards, with other ringing, a touch of 836 was rung with R. Davis on the 6th, this being his longest touch.
On Wednesday week, at St. Mary's Church, Dover, the wedding took place of Mr. Arthur Roberts and Miss Ethel Harmer, the officiating clergyman being tho Rev. li. C. Heel. There was a large number of friends in attendance, and as the bride and bridegroom left the church, the "Wedding March", was played on the organ by Mr. W. Th. Pitman, organist of Lyminge Church. The local ringers also rang 336 Bob Major. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts left later for Tunbridge Wells, where the honeymoon is being spent.

Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have just completed the rehanging of the eight bells at St. John's, Redhill. New steel gudgeons and gunmetal benrings have been supplied, and the fittings generally overhanled. The bells have been tried round by the local company, aud the "go" was pronounced excellent.

PORTISLEAD, SOMERSET.-On May 20th, at St. Peter:s Church, a quavter-peal of Granklsire Triples ( 1260 changes), in 44 nins.: *Miss $D$. Coles 1. ]. Goldstone 2. Miss N. Gillngham 3, Miss M. Jukes (conductor) 4. *W. Wiats 5 , Niss E. Hole 6, W. Gillingham 7, A. Colbourn 8. * First quarter-peal-On May 26th (Queen Mary's birihday), two 120's of Grandsire Doubles: Miss B. Mitchell 1, Miss D. Coles 2, Miss N. Gillingham (conductor) 3, Mies E. Hole 4, Miss M. Jukes 5, Miss E. . Tippett 6. All the ladies are members of the local band. Believed to be the firs local band of ladies to ring 120 .

## NOTICES.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. --The next meeting of the above branch will be held at St. Saviour's, Bacup, on Saturday, July igth, i913. Bells ready at 30 'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good attendance is earnestly requested. -. J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Derby District.-The next monthly meeting will be held at Brassington, near Worksworth, on Saturday, July rgth. Bells (6) ready at 2.30 p.m.-B. Mitchell, Honorary District Secretary, i 49, Leacroft Roađ, Derby.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Lewisham District. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Farningham on Saturday, July igth. Tower open at 3.30 p.m. Service at $5 \cdot 30$, address by the Vicar (the Rev. F. W. Smith. Half rail fares up to 2 s . paid at this meeting. Eynsford tower will be open after the meeting.-T. Grcombridge, Honorary District Secretary, 34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.A meeting will be held at St. John's, Hillingdon, on Saturday, July igth. Tower open at $3 \cdot 30$. Tea at the Vine Inn at 5.30 , 9d. each. Friends heartily welcome. - F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary, 3, Hart's Lane, New Cross, S.E.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual festival will be held at Wokingham, on Saturday, July igth. Service in the Parish Church at II.30. Preacher: the Rev. A. H. F. Bouyhey (President of the Cambridge University Guild of Change Ringers). Business meeting in the Church House at I2.20. Dinner in the Drill Hall at I.30.-Albert E. Reeves, Guild Secretary, 5, Fatherson Road, Reading.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - South-Eastern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Rayleigh on Saturday, July 19th. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting follow. The Rev. A. G. Fryer is kindly providing tea.-Henry F. Cooper, District Secretary, County Offices, Chelmsford.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824).-Northern District.-The next meeting of this District will be held on the igth July at St. Matthew's, Church Row, Bethnal Green. Tower open at 4.30 p.m. Business meeting at 7.45 . All members and friends welcome.-J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7d, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.-The next meeting will be held at Hadley on Saturday, July Igth. Bells available from 3.30. Barnet bells will be available from 4 to 5 p.m. Tea at $5 \cdot 45,6 \mathrm{~d}$. each. Members and friends cordially invited.-C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Sudbury District. -A district meeting will be held at Sudbury on Saturday, July igth. Tea at the Bull Inn, at 4 p.m. The bells of All Saints' and St. Peter's will be available, the latter for short periods only. - Secretary, Rev. R. L. Gardner, Lavenham, Suffolk.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. - Northern Branch. - A meeting for combined
practice will be held at Halesowen on Saturday, July igth. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Methods: Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Treble Bob Major.-E. J. Dowler, Branch Secretary.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. - The quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, July rgth, at Egham. Tower open at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 . Tea at $5 \cdot 30$, in the Church Room. Business meeting after.-Cyril F. Johnston, Honorary Secretary, Bell Foundry, Croydon.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Grappenhall Branch.-Next meeting will be held at Lymm on Saturday, the 19th inst., at 4 p.m. Tea gd. each.-J. E. Ashcroft, Honorary Secretary.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on July 22 nd; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 3ist; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 22nd; St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus $7 \cdot 30$, the others 8 p.m. -William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held on Saturday, July 26 th, at St. Margaret's, Rainham. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged at 5.30 (at gd. each) in the Church Hall. The bells of this church are being rehung in a new iron frame, the old six tuned on the Simpson principle, with an addition of two trebles, making eight, with a tenor about 23 cwt., by Taylor, of Loughborough. Will those intending to be present let me know not later than Tuesday, July $22 n d$ ? All ringers and friends are heartily wel-come.-Edward A. G. Allen, Honorary Secretary, 77, Bill Street Road, Frindsbury, Rochester.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Blackburn Branch. - The next branch meeting will be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Burnley, on Saturday, July 26th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 7 p.m. - J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - The 26th annual festival will be held at St. George's Church, Stockport, on Saturday, July 26 th. Service at $3.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Preacher, the Rev. H. J. Elsee, M.A., Vicar of St. George's, Bolton. Full particulars by circular.-Rev. A. T. Beeston, Honorary Secretary, New Mills.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - The next South and West District meeting will be held by kind permission of the Rector (Rev. H. Wilson) at Harlington, on Saturday, July 26 th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea at a small charge, 5.45. All ringing friends welcome. - H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - North-Eastern District. -The next meeting will be held at Harwich on Saturday, July 26 th. A tea will be provided at 5 o'clock for those sending notice to $A$. Shufflebotham, District Secretary, Sandpit Road, Braintree.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The monthly meeting of the above society, will be held at Calverley for practice, on Saturday, July 26th. Bells will be ready from 3 p.m. Business meeting will be held at the Thornhill Arms at 7 p.m.-F. Hopwood, 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Chew Deanery Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Barrow Gurney on Saturday, July 26th. Bells
available at six o'clock. - George Yeo, Honorary Local Secretary.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Northern Dis-trict.-The bells at Hatfield will be available for ringing from 4 to 9.15 p.m. on Saturday, July 26th. Tea can be had in the Park for 7 d . per head.-F. R. Bacon, District Secretary.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Rochdale Parish Church on Saturday, August 2nd, 19r3. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.-Joseph Ogden, Branch Secretary, 135, Salts Street, Shaw, Oldham.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Summer festival at Woburn, on August 4th. Bells available after II a.m. Tea at 5. Service at 6.
WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-A meeting of the Guildford and Leatherhead Amalgamated Districts will be held at Ranmore on August Bank Holiday. The beautiful peal of eight bells will be available from 2 o'clock. Service at. 4.15. Preacher, Canon E. A. Chichester, Vicar of Dorking. Tea at 5 . Tickets 6d. to members; is. to visitors. By kind permission of the Hon. Henry Cubitt, C.B., the gardens of Denbies will be open to members and friends from 2 to 4.-John J. Jones, District Secretary, North Street, Guildford.
sussex county association. - Henfield Branch. -The bells of the above tower (which have recently been recast and rehung) have kindly been placed at the disposal of the association on August Bank Holiday, and all members of the association will be heartily welcome. Tower open from 3 till 9 . Short service at 6 . Tea in Parish Room at 5, as guests of the Vicar, to all who send word by July 3 Ist to Mr. E. Lish, 2, North Cottages, Henfield.

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## MARRIAGE.

PREWETT-ELTON.-On Saturday, July i2th, at St. James' Church, Bushey, by the Rector, the Rev. G. M. Hall, M.A., assisted by the Rev. J. W. Lewis, Vicar of Oxhey, Bertram Prewett, only son of J. Prewett, Esq., of Bushey, to Ida Elton, third daughter of the late Francis : Iton, Esq., and of Mrs. Elton, of Kensington.

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The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recontly carried cut by you Łas proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,

Architeot, Diocesan Surveyor.

## THE OXFORD GUILD.

In our article on this page last week we directed special attention to the necessity which exists for efforts on the part of local secretaries to do all in their power to secure, for their associations, the support of honorary members. The matter was suggested by the question that arose at the annual meeting of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, but its importance was emphasised at the annual meeting of the Oxford Guild at Wokingham last Saturd:y, when the financial position of the Guild was discussed. The Guild found it necessary to draw upon the reserve to meet its current expenses, and when occasion arises for a step of this kind it is as well to grapple as quickly as possible with the causes that lead to it. Thus the meeting was well advised to instruct the committee to investigate the whole question.

The Master pointed out quite plainly that the Guild could not go on doing as it had done in the past, particularly in regard to giving grants towards works of restoration, unless there is in the immediate future a considerable accretion of funds by means of hon. members' subscriptions. The Oxford Guild only charge their ordinary members a shilling per annum, and there is no doubt that those who avail themselves of all the facilities get a very considerable return for their money.

The appeal from the Master that efforts should be made to add to the funds by increasing the list of hon. members is not likely to fall upon deaf ears, and our object in returning to the matter this week is to emphasise the fact that this work lays with the secretaries or the companies at the individual towers, who are most closely in touch with those who have, or should have, an interest in the bells and the ringers. There are many, 'we believe, even outside the "authorities," who could be induced to give their financial support to the ringing associations if they were properly approached. As the Deputy Mayor of Wokingham put it on Saturday, the church loving public owe a debt of gratitude to the ringers for their services, and many would be happy to show it in a practical way. Let the local men, then, show what they can do by way of getting that financial support for their associations, which is so essential to success.

In all respects-except, perhaps, the financial-the Oxford Guild had a most successful year, and progress is recorded in many directions. Indeed it is difficult to imagine any organisation failing to go ahead where the members get such an inspiring lead as the Oxford Guild ringers receive from their Master. The Rev. Cyril Jenkyn is no mere figurehead. It is safe to say he works harder for the Guild than any other member, and he has added lustre to his office by the high ideals which he has set before him in regard to the discharge of his duties.

CHARLES CARR, $\frac{\text { IT }}{\text { I }}$


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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, July 19, 1913, in Thyee Hours and Forly-six Minutes, At the Cathedral Chorch of St. Saviour, Southwark,

A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES ;
Tenor 50 cwt.

| Edwin Horrex ... ... ...Trcble | Charles S. Burden |
| :---: | :---: |
| Alfred B. Peck ... ... 2 | James Motts ... ... ... 8 |
| Edgar Pemberton | John N. Oxborrow ... 9 |
| Challis F. Winney | Herbert Langdon... ... ro |
| William L. Catchpole ... 5 | William T. Cockerill... it |
| Ernest G. Fenn ... ... 6 | John W. Golding ... ...Ten |
| Composed by Charles Conducted by | H. Hattersley, and mes Motts. |
| edding | So |
| aulkner, and Miss Mary Bac | with all good wishes | and happy life.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

## BRISTOL

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Monday, July 14, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, At Christ Church (City),

## A PEAL OF STEDHAK CATER8, 5007 CHANCES;

Tenor 20 cwt .
Fred G. May $\qquad$
Gilbert Wiltshire
Frederick W. Wade ... 22 Henry Burt ... ... ... Albert Stowell ... ... 3 James Richmond ... ... 8 Henry Howell ... ... ... 4 Isaac Long ... ... ... 9 William White... ... ... 5 Uriah Braven... ... .... Tenor Composed and Conducted by Fred G. May.
The peal was rung to commemorate the replacing of the quarter Jacks, together with a new clock, in Christ Church tower. Reference has already been made in this paper with regard to the opening ceremony on July $5^{\text {th. }}$. The whole of the work was completed on July I4th, the date of the peal.

ASTON MANOR, BIRMINGHAM. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION On Saturday, July 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5017 CHANGES; Tenor 22 cwt.

Percy O. Laflin ... ...Tyeble John Corrigan... ... ... 6 Thomas J. Bratton..... $.2^{2}$ Morris J. Morris ... ... 7 James Jones ... ... ... 3 William G. Ellis ... ... 8 | James L. Wells | $\ldots$ | ... | 4 | James George ... | ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Jobn Neal ... | ... | .. | .. | 5 | William Davies | ... |
| Jonor |  |  |  |  |  |  | Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by Percy O. Laflin.

This composition is No. 8 on Carter's Broadsheet.

## WALTHAMSTOW

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, July 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes, At tee Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANCES; Tenor $19 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt.
Robert Maynard, Senr. Treble

Walter Wise ... James C. Adams James E. Davis | James E. Davis $\ldots$ |
| :--- |
| John H. B. Hesse... | Samoel E. Joyce *Daniel F. Gibbons ... 5 *Albert A. Hoghle... ...Tenor Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by James E. Davis.

* First peal of Royal. Rung in honour of the wedding of the Master of the Society, Mr. Thomas Faulkner, to Miss Mary Bacey, at Barking, on the above date. A peal was also attempted on the previous Saturday, unfortunately without success, in honour of the wedding of Mr. Bertram Prewett.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## LECKHAMPTON.

THE CHELTENHAM AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-scvers Minutes, .At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN TRIPLES; 5040 CHANGES;

Thorstans' Four-Part. John F. Ballinger ... ...Treble Frederick W. Townsend 2 Arthur Caudle ... ... ... 3 George Walters

Tenor 9 cwt ., in A .
William Brinkworth ... William Townsend ... Thomas Dyer ... ... ... 7 William Harley ... ...Tengy

Rung as a welcome to F. W. Townsend, of Poole, Dorset, and late of Charlton Kings, Cheltenham, who is spending his holiday in the district.

BRADING, ISLE OF WIGHT.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (Late the St. James' Society.) On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES; 5040 CHANGES;
Thurstans' One-Part. Tenor iol $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. Christopher H. Hughes...Tveble | Robert W. Green... ... 5 Thomas H. Taffender ... 2 Arthor D. Barker ... 6 Henry T. Gowlett... ... 3 Frederick J. Hardy ... 7 Richard. N. Runham ... 4 *Frederick V. Martin ...Tenor Conducted by Thomas H. Taffender.

* First peal ; age 15 years.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.
TIE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(St. Margaret's Society.)
On Monday, July 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJ日R, 5120 CHANGES I
Tenor $20 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in E.

| Charles Sampson | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Treble | Ernest S. Bailey ... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Allen F. Bailey | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | George Wilson... | .. |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Frederick W. Bailey | $\ldots$ | 3 | James M. Bailey ... | ... | 7 |
| Alfred Keeble ... | ... | .. | 4 | Charles F. Bailey | ...$T e n o r$ | | Frederick W. Bailey | $\cdots$ | 3 | James M. Bailey... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alfred Keeble ... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 4 | Charles F. Bailey | $\cdots$ |

Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and
Conđucted by Charles F. Bailey.
These bells, except the tenor, are now being rehung
CAVERSHAM.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Reading Branch, St. Peter's Society.)
On Tuesday, July 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF WASHBROOK'S SURPRIBE PRINGIPLE, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 13 cwt.

| Edinin Menday ... ... ...Treble | Harry Tocker... |  | $\cdots 5$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hubert Hatto ... ... ... 2 | George Essex ... |  | 6 |
| Rev. Cyril Jenkyn ... ... 3 | Harry Smith ... |  | 7 |
| Albert Cullum... ... ... 4 | Ernest Menday |  | Tenor |
| Composed by J. W Conducted by | Washbrook, and nest Menday. |  |  |

Rung on St. Swithin's Day. First peal in the method ever rung.
MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thesilay, July 15, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES; Tenor il cwt.

| William Walmsley. | ...Treble | John M. Davenport |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arthur Burgess ... | ... 2 | Thomas Mottershead | ... 6 |
| Herbert Davenport | ... 3 | Alfred Mottershead |  |
| Wilfred Matthew |  | Joseph Norbury | ...Tener |
|  | by | Rebves, and |  |

H. Davenport was elected a member previous to starting.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY.
On Thursday, July 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Paul,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Changes;

## Holt's Ten-Part.

Willitam C. Wakley... ...Treble Frank Shepherd

| $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 |

Tenor 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
John Hough...
*George Bull ... ... ... 7 Conducted by A. P. Wakley

* First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the enthronement of Dr. Kempthorne as Bishop of Lichfield, which took place the previous day.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, July 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At thr Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

 Thurstans' Four-Part.Tenor 15 cwt.
Thomas Worsley ... ...Treble

Titus Barlow ...... | Fred Abbott | .. | $\ldots$ | ... | 2 | Grorge Pincott | .. | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John Welsby | .. | $\ldots$ | .. | 3 | John Potter | .. | .. | *Joseph Leatherbarrow 4 |Thomas Beatby $\quad$...... ... Tenor Conducted by John Potter.

* First peal in the method.

RAINFORD, LANCASHIRE.
THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD AND THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 19, 1913, in Thyee Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor $13 \frac{7}{2}$ cwt., in $F$ sharp.

| Thomas Jennion... | $\ldots$. | ..$T$ Tieble | Edward Caunce | $\ldots$. | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John Wilkinson | $\ldots$. | .. | 2 | George R. Newton | .. | 6 |


| Henry Fyles | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. | 3 | John Turner... | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John Gardner | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | William Davies | ... |
| 7 | ... Tenor |  |  |  |  |  |

Composed by Henry Dains, and Conducted by George R. Newton.
First peal of Major on the bells. The ringers of the treble, 6th and 7 th were elected members of the Liverpool Guild previous to starting.

## ARUNDEL, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 19. 1913. in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES; Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
Richard Stredwick... ...Treble Edward C. Merritt ... 5
John T. Rickman ... ... 2 John Capp... ... ... ... 6
Arthur W. Gravett ... 3 Albert D. Stone ... ... 7 Charles T. Coles ... ... 4 Keith Hart ... ... ... Tenor Composed by Henry Dains, and Conducted by Keith Hart.

CHILVERS COTON, NUNEATON. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, July 19, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF OXFORB TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6088 CHANGES ;
Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Rowland O. Poliard ...Treble Ernest Stone ... ... ... 5 E. Harry Stoneley ... 2 James F. Clarke, Junt. 6

Harry Argyle ... ... ... 3 James F. Clarke, Sent. 7 *Thomas Dickens ... ... 4 Thomas W. Chapman ...Tenor Composed by W. Harrison, and

* First peal of Oxford. First peal of Oxford on the bells.


## WOOLWICH, KEENT

THF MIDDIFESFX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LON゙DON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturlay, July 19, 1913, in Two How's and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE PAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor I3 cwt.

| Arthur J. Neale ... ...Treble | Isabc G. Shade |
| :---: | :---: |
| Alfred W. Grimes ... ... 2 | *William Theobald. |
| George R. Pye... .... ... 3 | Ernest Pye |
| Recben Sanders | William Pye | Composed by Charles Middleton, and

Conducted by William Pye.

* First peal in the method.


## BARKING, ESSEX.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, Tuly 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Nincteen Minutes, At the Churcii of St. Margaret,
A PEAL Of KENT TREBLE BOB mAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;
Tenor 22寻 cwt.
Caleb Fenn ... ... ...Treble | Ebenezer Andrews ... 5
Frank C. Newman .... ... 2 Reginald Blake ... ... 6
Rowland Fenn ... ... ... 3 Henry Torble... ... ... 7
Henry E. Parker ... ... 4 Albert C. Hardy ... ... Tenor
Composed by Arthur Craven, and
Conducted by Caleb Fenn.
Rung as a compliment to Mr. Thomas Faulkner, Master of the above Society, on the occasion of his marriage to Miss Mary E. Bacey, which had taken place a few hours previously at the above church.

BOTDMERE, WARWICKSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, Tuly 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 5056 Changes;
*Jonathan Preston... ...Tveble John Sanders ... ... ... 5 Thonas Ressam ... ... 2 George Garrison ... ... 6 *Miss Margery F. Sampson 3 *William J. Meers... ... 7 William H. Godden ... 4 George F. Swann... ...Tenor Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and
Conducted by George F. Swann.

* First peal of Major, and first peal in the method on the bells.

MARKET DRAYTON, SHROPSHIRE. THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD. On Sunday, July 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St, Mary,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Tenor 17 cwt .

Charles R. Lilley ... ...Tveble Alfred E. Fullick ... 5 William J. Taylor ... ... 2 William Weatherby.. .6 | Joseph Harley ... | .. | .. | 3 | Willtam Saunders ... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Walter Lago | .. | .. | .. | 4 | Jack Garbett | .. |

Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by William Sadiders.
First peal of Stedman as conductor. Rung as a farewell peal to the Rev. Dr. F. W. T. Greenwood, who leaves Market Drayton to take up the duties of Vicar of St. Chad's, Shrewsbury. Lilley, Taylor and Fullick hail from St. Chad's, Shrewsbury; Hanley, Lago, Garbett and Saunders from Coalbrookdale. Weatherby belongs to the local band.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

LAMBERHURST, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, July 15, 7913, in Two Hours and Fifty-fue Minutes,
A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford. Oxford Bob, Canterbury PIeasure, Plain Bob and College Single. Tenor I3 cwt.
Edwin Lambert... ... ....Treble Andrew Marshale... ... 4 Jim Beach ... ... ... ... 2 Harry Price ... ... ... 5 George Foller... ... ... 3 Albert Relfe ... ... ...Tenor' Conducted by Albert Relfe.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Harry Price.

## LLANDEFAELOGFACH, BRECONSHIRE.

 THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.On Wednesday, July 76, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Maelog,

## A PEAL OF CANTERBURY PLEASURE AND GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES ;

Tenor iz ${ }^{3}$ cwt.
William Evans ... ...Treble
G. Giblin ... ..
... ... ... 2 †C. BeEch $\qquad$ ... .. ... ... C. Powell ...... Conducted by W. A. Fletcher.

* First peal and first attempt. † First peal of Doubles. Messrs. C. Beech and J. Williams were proposed members of the Guild before starting for the peal. Rung as a welcome to the new Rector, the Rev. H. A. Francis.

LANGLEYBURY, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Mimutes, At the Parish Chorch,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB KINOR, 5040 CHANCER;

Being three 720's of Oxford and four of Kent, each called differently. Thomas J. Hull ... ...TTeble $\mid$ Charles Jeffs... .... ... 4 *Walter S. Inwood ... 2 Richard H. Chalkley ... 5 John W. Malyan ... ... 3 Frederick Jeffs ... ... Tenor Conducted by John Malyan.

* First peal on six bells. First peal in two Treble Bob methods byi all. Rung as a birthday compliment to F. Jeffs.

CHEDISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 19, 1913, in Two Howrs and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB RINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's, each called differently. Tenor I4t c cwt. E. Austin Head ... ...Tyeble John Spencer ... ... ... 4 Herbert G. Pratt ... ... 2 Thomas Crane... ... ... 5 William H. P. Mellin... 3 Francis W. Naunton ...Tenoy Conducted by Francis W. Nadnton.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the wife and daughter of Mr . Thomas Crane. The ringers were kindly entertained to supper by him after the peal.

## POTTON, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Biggleswade Branch.)
On Saturday, July 19, 7913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Oxford Treble Bob and one 720 each of Single. Court, Oxford Bob, Collcge Single and Plain Bob. Tenor $7 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. William Compton ... ...Tveble George D. Coleman ... 4 Sydney J. Coleman... ... 2 *George W. Inskip... ... 5
 Conducted by George D. Coleman

* First peal in five methods, including Treble Bob.


## BRAMLEY, NEAR LEEDS

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND
THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. On Saturday, July 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

## At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL DF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGE8;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Morning Exercise, Evening Exercise, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, City Delight and Arnold's Victory. Tenor 12 cwt .

## Ernest Thornton

Sam Helliwell...
John W. Chadwick

Tom Latimer
Joinn W. T. Holgate Edward Redshaw ... ...T Tenor W. T. Holgate.

Rung to commemorate the 50 th anniversary of the opening of the church and bells.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(Cathedral Guild.)
On Tuesday, July 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-six Minutes, At the Residence of Mr. R. Richards, 26, Stanton Street,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES I
H. Moore's Twelve-Part.
-Bentamin C. Dixon ... i-2 Joseph E. R. Keen ... 5-6 Willian H. Barber ... 3-4 |Robert Richards... ... 7-8 Conducted by 'N. H. Barber. Umpire: Alfred F. Hillier.

- First peal on handbells. B. C. Dixon's first peal in the method.


## SHEFFIELD

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurslay, July 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-two Minutes, At 3i, Burgess Street,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Miss Winifred M. Hagde I-2 | Albert C. Fearnley

## 3-4 Arthor Hague

Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by Clement Glenn.

Umpire: Joseph Atkin.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Safurday, July 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Nineteen Minutes,
In the Belfry of St. Margaret's Church,
A PEAL OF KENT THEBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGF: ;
James M. Bailey
James M. Bailey

| i-2 | Charles F. Bailey | $\cdots$ | $5-6$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $3-4$ | Edgar H. Bailey ... | .. | $7-8$ |

Composed by A. Knights, and Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.
Uimpires: George Wilson and Allen F. Bailey

ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Monday, July 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Seven Minutes, At "Llanrock," Avende Road,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Rev. B. Tyrwhitt-Drake I-2 George D. Coleman Sydney J. Coleman ... 3-4 Edmund C. Chasty ... 7 -8 Composed by J. Barker, and
Conducted by George D. Coleman.

## MARRIAGE OF MASTER OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

The bells of St. Margaret's, Barking, have been ring to many methods, complex and simple, but never better struck or more happy in effect than the touch of Superlative Surprise which was rung on Saturday afternoon last, and told of the completion of the service which made Mr. Thomas Faulkner (Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths) and Miss Mary E. Bacey, man and wife. In spite of the inclement weather (Churchwarden Davies said the heavens were "shedding tears of joy"), the ceremony was attended by a large number of friends, relatives and ringing friends, and was performed by the Rev. J. W. Eisdell, Vicar of the parish. Mr. Geo. Faulkner gave the bride away, and she wus attended by Miss Eva and Miss Pheebe Bacey (sisters) and Miss K. Faulkner and Miss Jessie Thatcher (sister and cousin ot the bridegroom), as bridesmaids, whilst Mr. Fred G. Gill acted as best man. The organist, as a compliment to a brother churchworker, played previous to and during the service an appropriate selection of music on the new organ, recently restored and enlarged, and whilst the registers were being signed, the hymn, "How welcome was the call," was sung.
A reception was afterwards held at "Superlative," St. Awdrys Road, and "Hcalth, happiness and prosperity" to the happy couple was proposed in felicitous terms by Mr. E. A. Davies. Shortly afternards Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner left for Gorleston-on-Sea, where the honeymoon is being spent.
In honour of the happy event, a peal of Stedman Cinqnes was rung at St. Saviour's, Southwark; a peal of Treble Ten at Walthamstow, and a peal of Treble Bob Najor at Barking, by the College Youths, and their Master would like, through these columns, to thank them for the compliment, and also the others who sent him the congratulatory letters and telegrams. He adds that he had no idea he had so many friends.

THE MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.
Despite the inclemency of the weather, a good meeting of the North and East District was held at Hadley on Saturday last, some 30 mem bers and friends attending during the afternoon and evening from Barnet, Northaw, Finchley, Hadley, South Tottenham, Ifatfield, Southgate, Clapton, Willesden, Hornsey and Highgate. The grand peal at Barnet were placed at the disposal of the members from four till five, the privilege of having a pull at this tower on a Sunday afternoon was much appreciated, touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Bob Major being successfully brought round.
Mr. W. Daniels having kindly made arrangements for tea to be partaken of at a picturesque spot on the border of Hadley Wcods, a move was made for this renue, but, owing to the unsettled condition of the weather, it had been thought wise to serve the meal in a catage close by. However, four of the members did not intend to be deprived of fresh air as a digestive, and had theirs on "the lawn !" The example of those who had defied the weather was taken by the rest for the business meeting, which was held al fresco.-Mr. F. A. Milne (vice-president) presided.-Six new members were elected, and votes of thanks were passed to the Rector of Hadley and Barnet for the use of the bells at their respective churches; to Mr. Daniels and other ringers for making all arrangements, and to Mr. F. A. Milne for presiding. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Edgware on September 13th, if this could be arranged.
Hadley tower was again visited, and the bells kept going until 9 p.m. During the afternoon and evening the following methods were rung: Grandsire and Stredman Doubles, Plain Bob. Oxford Bob, College Single, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Cambridge Surprise.

THE KENT ASSOCIATION.
The quarterly meeting of the Lewisham District was held at Farningham on Saturday last, and, considering the amount of rain that fell during the morning, was a successful one. During the afternoon various touches of Miner and 120 s of Stedman Doubles were rung. The Vicar (the Rev. F. M. Snaith) had mudly arranged for the Association form of serrice to be said in the church, and gave a very instructive address. He had also provided tea at a neighbouring hostelry and told the members he was sorry he could not invite then to the Vicarage, as his family were not in residence just now, but he hoped to do so at their next visit. A company of 46 sat down to tea
The business meeting was held in the school, the Vicar presiding. The election of Mr. L. Attwater in Erith Tower was confirmed, and the Vicar's announcement that he would be pleased to become an hon. member was greeted with applause.-The District Representative (Mr. IT. J. Jeffries) then read his report of the Ceniral Committee meeting, which was adopted, with a hearty vote of thanks. Crayford was selected as the place of the annual meeting, on Saturday, October 25th.

The District Secretary stated that he had reccived an application from the Rev. E. Ball. (St. Mary Cray), asking for a grant towards the recasting and relianging of their bells, but as this was a matter for the Central Committee, he suggesterl a collection, which was agreed to, and 15 s . was received.
A hearty vote of thanks was calried with applause to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for his address, and the tea.-This having been acknowledged, the tower was again visited, while some of the visitors went over to Eynsford, where the Rev. M. C. Elphinstone had kindly ylaced the bells at their disposal.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

## ANNUAL FESTIVAL AT WOKINGHAM.

## THE GUILD'S FINANCIAL POSITION.

The Oxford Dioeesan Guild's annual festival is, geographically, a movable feast, and is held successivoly in Oxfordshire, Berkshire and Buckinghamshire. This year was the turn of Berkshre, and, after a lapse of 18 years, the Guild returned to Wokingham, a town, which, however, is not the most convenient spot for a general gathering of the Guild. It lies away in the south-easternmost corner of the vast dio cese, and in order to attend it from North Bucks, as some of the Bletchley ringers did, something like 175 miles was envolved in the double journey. Incidentally, is it to be wondered at that steps are being taken for a division of the diocese? But despite the fact that Wokingham was not readily accessiblo to many of the members, there was an attendance of nearly 150, from a great many parts of the area covered by the Guild's operations. The proceedings began with service at the Parish Church of All Saints', at which, for the first time, the form drawn up for the Guild's special use, was utilised.

## C.U.G. PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

The sermon was preached by the Rev. A. II. F. Boughey, President of the Cambridge University Guild, who took for his text, "I will give praise with the best members that I have," Psalm cviij, 1. The preacher specially called attention to the word "best," and pointed out that it was the aim and object of Diocesan Associations to bring everything to the best. Their watchword was "improvement," and that was the aim and spirit of their Guik. In the course of the past generation, say, thirty or forty years, what a change, and a change for the better had come over the bells and towers of this England, which they loved. How many beautiful bells had been added in towers where they were not bcfore, and what care had been taken of the old ones. Bells were a part-a noble part-of God's house and God's services, and so, too, not only with the bells, but with the use of them in the art and exercise of ringing. Great progress, the speaker continued, had been made in ringing itself, and new and beautiful methods had been added to the famous old ones.
Only that week a peal had been rung in a new methct of wonderful intricacy, and composed by a oelebrated ringer of the Oxford Guild, who described it as a method more difficult than London Surprise, and more beautifur than Superlative. In any tower that had bells, they shoukd do all that was possible to have good and beautiful ringing Let them have the best, not only because the best delighted the ringers, and those who listened outside, but because the whole art and exercise was directed to the praise and glory of God, and because it was a fitting thing that they should spare no pains and no labour until they were able to give the rery best that was in them to His praise and This honour. The ringers of old deserved their deepest thanks and honour. They preseryed what had been peculiar to England-the art of change ringing. In some places customs crept in which were not good, and one of the aims of Guilds and Associations was to remove these and improve ringers to the utmost of their power. The spirit of giving the best to God should not only appear in ringing, but in their wilole life. What should they say if ringers called people to church and did not attend themselres? Their praise to God was not to finish with that outer part of the service they rendered, it meant going on to His Church, and through His Church to home and work, with that same spirit in their hearts that they would give their best to Him. It was that which made life beautiful and happy. Their aim should be that all their life should ring true.

## CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMITTEE

The brisiness meeting was held in the Church House, the genial and popular Master (the Rev. Cyril Jenkyn) presiding.
The following officers were re-elected: Master, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn; secretary, Mr. A. E. Reeves; hon. treasurer, the Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis; auditor, Mr. E. Francis. The Rev. Ackworth (Twyford) was elected to fill the vacancy on the committee, caused by the death of MTP. J. E. Hern; the other members of the committee were reelected.

A member asked if the committee would take into consideration the making of a rule to limit the number of members which might be clecter to the committee from any one branch. It seemed a perfect farce to re-clect them en bloc. They ought to retire by rotation, and so give others a chance of serving.

The Master said the committee were clected from year to year, and if any man showed that he ought to be on the committee, he was usually put on from a branch. If the meeting desired it, the committee would take the whole question of the election of committee into consideration. They did not elect each person individually, simply to sare time.
The Member: My idea is that some should retire every year by otation.
The Master: If we did that we should lose some whose help it would bo very hard to spare. There are somo who we should not mind if they retired oftener than each year (laughter). There are some we should not like to retire at all.
It was understood that the committee would take the whole question into consideration.

REFERENDUM ON PLACE OF METTING.
On belalf of Mr. F. Hayes, of High Wycombe, who was unable tor be present, Mr. A. W. Osbor'ne formally moved "that the Guild hold its annual festival at High Wycombe on a Saturday once in every three years, commencing in 1914.'
Mr. Wright mored as an amendmont that the whole question of the place for the annual meetings of the Guild be referred to a special meeting of the committee, and that the Master be requested to arrange such meeting at a place at which and a time wheal all branches. could be represented, the committee to report to the next annual festival. He thought Mr. Tayes ${ }^{2}$ resolution as it stood was far too drastic. Moreover, he did not think the annual meeting was the placeto discuss the matter until the committee had considered it, because it was practically impossible to get each branch properly represented. A much more satisfactory solution of the difficult question would be to get the committee to report; especially in view of the fact that possibly before they met again the dioceso might bo divided.-Mr. Sear seconded.
The Master thought there was great sense in the amendment. He. started a firebrand at tho committee mecting in April at Oxford, by moving that the anmual mecting should be held there each year. It set poople thinking hard, but they had not thought quite hard or longenough. They wanted to think a bit more before expressing an opinion. If the amenclment were carried, he thought it would be a good thing to send out a slip to each tower asking, "Are you in favour of going on as wo aro going, or meeting at Oxford every year; or meeting once in three years at either Reading, Oxford or Migh Wyoombe?" If those slips were sent out and returned before the committeo meeting, the representatives attending that meeting would know something of what their constituents felt.
Various speakers having adrocated that the questions to be submitted to the towers should be settled by the committee, instead of by that meeting, the Master's rider was withdrawn, and the amendment moved by Mr. Wright was carried. The committee will, therefore, have to consider the question both before and after the reforendum.

It was then resolved to meet at Slough in 1914.

## RESRIRVE FUND REDUCED.

The Hon. Treasurer said he was afraid he could not report wery farourably on the Guild's finances. They began the year with a balance of $£ 2815 \mathrm{~s} .8 \mathrm{~d}$. , and according to his estimate that sum would bo reduced to $£ 185 \mathrm{~s}$. at the end of the year not allowing for any grants which might be made. In four out of the five years, from 1908-12, their expenditrire had excecded their income to the extent of $£ 2110 \mathrm{~s}$. At that moment they owed $£ 230 \mathrm{~s} .7 \mathrm{~d}$. to their printers, whose account, really due in March, he had never been able to pay until December, which was very unsatisfactory. It was quite true they had some money in the reserve fund, which stood at £32 2s. 7d., and he proposed that they should withdraw from that fund a sum not exceeding $£ 15$ for general purposcs: in order that they might pay the printer, and have a balance of £33, out of which they could make what grants they desired that day. He thought this was tho only thing to do in the emergency. What they must all try to do in the branches was to get a larger number of hon. members. Their ringing members were only paying 1s. a year; and he thought they were getting exceedingly good worth for their money. There were many other associations who paid 2 s . per member. He did not suggest that the 1s. should be raised, but he did urge that they should try to get more hon. members. The motion was agreed to, and grants of £2 2s. each were made towards the restoration of the bells at Milton-next-Steventon and Fenny Stratford. A grant to eester was referred to the committee consideration.
The Master pointed out that the Guild could not go on making grants on the same scalc, unless they got n vast increase in their hon. members. Thev would have to cut them dovan by a half.-At the suggestion of Mr. W. P. Routh. it was decided that the committee should incuire into the financial position of the Guild.
Reporting for the Robinson Memorial Committec, the Rev. R. H. $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{ar}} \mathrm{t}$-Daris said the sum received was 5205 3s. 8d. They had erected the screen and tablet at Drayton, and had put up a tablet at Oxford. With the balance that remained they proposed to put up a bronze at Appleton. Where Mr. Robinson learned his ringing, and where he increased the peal from eight to ten.
The Master reported that the special committee appointed to draw up a form of service for the Guild had completed its labours, and they had used it for the first time that day. Thev were now considering the issune of a little book for ringers, which should contain this service. and some other
the Rev. Ackworth, of 'rwyford

## GUILD'S SUPPORT FOR LADIES

The Rev. G. F. Coleridge reported upon the Central Council meeting at Newcastle, which was attended by the Master, Mr. Hopgood and himself as representatives of the Oxford Guild. He mentioned that the Rev. Cyril Jenkyn was appointed hon. librarian, and now had charge of the Central Council's publications. He had also had another office thrust upon him, and that was that of Ambassador of Commerce, or, to usc another term, he had become commercial traveller to the Exercise at large (laughter). He took his pack to Winchestor. and at the Winchester Guild monting sold more than the late publishers sold in a year. Coming to the question of the attitude of the
public towards ringing, he said he thought if there was any ohange it was in the populous towns. In the country he did not think there was much objection to bell ringing; in fact, people looked forward to it. Where there was objection he thought it was largely due to the stupidity of the architect who, although he was told how to do it, made the tower so that the sound was thrown downward instead of out of the top. They had got to convert the architects, and a committee was going to meet the Society of British Architects to see what could be done. They hoped to be aible to get the architects to look at the matter, from the ringers' and public's point of view, and not from their own point of view, because they knew absolutely nothing about it (laughter). He had a case under his notice recently of a fine old tower centuries old, where the bells had been restored, and the Vioar wrote him that the architect had said the bells might only be chimed and not rung until October; would he, therefore, get eight men to chime the bells for the opening service, as if ringing were allowed the disintegration of the tower might take place. He (Mr. Coleridge) replied that the ringing of the bells would make no more difference than the organ playing in the chancel.
Mr. Coleridge next touched! upon the representation of the Ladies' Guild, and said the only line he could take up was that if they had an association of their own they were bound to grant them representation when they were strong enough. He, therefore, moved that women should be represented on the Oxford Guild Committee, and on the Central Council, when eligible.-Mr. F. Hopgood seoonded, and the Rev. I. HI. Hart-Davis added that he hoped the resolution would take effect, and that their branches would return in some instances lady members to the Guild Committee (The Master: Hear, hear). The motion was carried unanimously.

## A GUILD BADGE.

The Secretary introduced the subject of the adoption of a Guild badge, and the matter was referred to the committee to choose a design, the only dissentient voice being that of the Rev. E. W. Wilson (Freeland), who saw no necessity for a badge. They were, he said, already well united without any badge, and his experience of other societies was that a badge was only a nuisance.-Other members spoke in favour of a badge, one remarking that the majority of members would be only too proud to wear one.
The election of 81 change ringing members and 40 probationers was confirmed, and this concluded the business.

THE DINNER.
At the dinner, which followed, the Deppity Mayor (Mr. H. C. Mylne) prosided, supported by the Master, the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, the Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis, the Rer. A. C. R. Freeborn, the Rev. H. M. Wilder, Dr. Nash, Mr. A. E. Reeves, etc. Scseral toasts were honoured, and the Chairman welcomed the Guild Wokingham. He contrasted its position when last it met in the borough. 18 years ago, with that of to-day. In 1895 they had 811 change ringers, now they had 1,413 ; in 1895 they rang 52 peals, last year they rang 122. He referred to the association between the late master, in the last days of his life, and the town of Wokingham, and went on to say that the Guild laid the whole community under a debt
of gratitude for the services rendered by its members. He wished it of gratitude for the services rend
The Master, who responded, was warmly greeted, and referred to some of the evidences which marked the progress of the Guild, but he added that although they sometimes spoke as if all their belfries were in perfectly good order, they occasionally got a rude shock. There was still something. to do even in the way of the education of incumbents. The start of the new branoh in the Valley of the White Horse, which was absolutely foreign to change ringing, the provision of a roluntary band to ring for the diocesan missionary festival at the Cathedral-the ringers' offering to the grand work which was laid upon erery churchman-the accomplishment of the first peal in a new and
intricate method at Caversham, were, he pointed out, all evidences of progress. In conclucion, the Master asked those incumbents who desired him to take Guild bands to the dedication of new bells or the serrice of blessing on the work of restoration, to be kind enough to consult him as to the date, because it was sometimes difficult to make the arrangements when dates were already fixed. He did not want to attend these dedications only because he lored to be at such services; but because he felt the Guild as a Guild ought to be represented, and if ringers were required the ought to have the opportunity of getting The Rev. G. F. Coleridge, in a hap
The Rev. G. F. Coleridge, in a happy speech, proposed "The Authori-
ties," who, he eaid, jncluded' the Rector of All Saints', who had arranged the service, the choir, the organist, the two organ blowers, and the ladies (Mrs. Long and Miss Cooper), who had arranged the altar flowers. The Rex. Long responded, and the Master then proposed the health of the preacher (the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey), which was cordially drunk, the President of the Cambridge University Guild making a facetious reply
"The Chairman," submitted by the Rer. R. H. Hart-Davis, and acknowledged by $\mathrm{Mr}^{\prime}$. Mylne, concluded the speech-making.

The company then dispersed to the various towers which had been opened, including the eights at All. Saints' and St. Paul's, Wokingham; Twrford and Hurst, and the sixes at Binfield, Easthampstead, Finchampstead and Sandhurst. A great variety of methods were rung from Grandsire Doubles to Surprise Major, and a good many visitoro heard with interest a touch of Washbrook's musical Surprise Principle.

## JUDGE AND BELLS.

## A BRISTOL ASSIZE INCIDENT.

In view of all that has been said recently about bells and the public, the following extract from a Bristol newspaper is interesting:-
"The Bristol Assize, at which the civil business was unusually heavy and interesting, concluded late on Saturday, Mr. Justice Ridley and visiting members of the Bar having to hurry to catch the early evening train for London. A noteworthy incident occurred between four and five o'clock, when the Judge was summing up in the libel action from Bruton. Most of the windows of the Civil Court being open, the sound of a peel (sic) of bells which commenced at a neighbouring church, penetrated with such force that the Judge's voice could soaroely be heard, and he asked if the bells could not be stopped for a little while. Inspector Adey left the Court, and a few minutes later his appearance startled the occupants of Christ Church belfry, who were much relieved when the object of his visit proved to be nothing more serious than a request to cease ringing for half an hour to oblige the Court. Meanwhile, the Judge, who was speaking against time as well as the sound of the bells, continued his summing up, and in a sur prisingly short space the cessation of the peal of bells enabled his Lordship to finish his address with more comfort to himself and greatel clearness to the occupants of the jury box. There was some specula tion amongst the people in Court as to what the Judge would have done, or hadi the power to do, if the bell ringers had been impolita enough to turn a deaf ear to his appeal. One, more curious than the rest, actually expressed the hope that the men in the belfry would decline to break off their peal, so that he might see what action, if any, would be taken by the Judge.'

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

## WEST DORSET BRANCH.

The summer meeting was held at Whitechurch Canonicorum, a pleasant village miles from any railway. But in these days of motor vehicles, even isolated places are made more accessible, and so by means of motors, brake and cycle, between thirty and forty members spent an enjoyable afternoon and evening. The towers represented were: Beamister, Bradpole, Bridport, Broadwindsor, Lyme Regis, Wyke Regis, and the local band. In addlition, the Revs. E. V. and C. C. $\operatorname{Cox}$ also put in a brief appearance. Service was held in the historic church, conducted by the Rev. E. H. H. Lee, the Vicar, the lesson being read by the Rev. C. F. Urquhart.-Tea, very pleasantly arranged on the Vicarage lawn, followed. A band of ladies presided at the urns, and the peaceful surroundings caused many to linger round the wellladen tables enjoying the conversation which took place over the tea cups.-At the subsequent business meeting, a letter of apology was read from the chairman of the branch (the Rev. C. F. Langford), and in his absence the Rev, E. H. H. Lee was voted to the chair. The placs for the next meeting was fixed, new members elected, and a donation to a local restoration voted. - With rotes of thanks to the genial host and hostess for all their kindness and hospitality the meeting terminated. While, however, some returned to the tower, others enjoyed the fragrant weed and a stroll round the well-kept Vicarago awn.
In ringing, a lot of good spade work was done, many men successfully ringing their first courses of Triples or their first six-score of Doubles. Slowly, but let us hope surely, change ringing is advancin? in this branch, and meetings such as this one cannot but forward it still more.
ENCOURAGING MEETING OF THE MARLBOROUGH BRANCH.
The Marlborough branch of the Salisbury Guild held a successful meeting at Ogbourne St. George on Saturday week. The five heavy bells were kept going in the afternoon, and a serwice was held in the church, after which the ringers adjourned to the Parish Room, where seventeen sat down to an excellent tea. The business meeting followed, presided over by the Rev. A. E. G. Peters, branch president, supported by the Rev. A. H. Smith, Vicar of Ogbourne St. George; Mr. J. Butler, branch secretary, and ringers from Ogbourne St. George, Ramsbury, Chilton Fobat, Sarernake St. Katharine, Chiseldon, and Marlborough St. Mary. It was decided that, if possible, the next three meetings should be held at Savernake, Marlborough and Bremhill, One ringer from Chiseldon was made a member of the Guild. A discussion followed as to the possibility of lowering the subscription under certain circumstances. It was decided that the branch could do nothing by itself, and it was thought very improbable that a Guild could be run on a smaller subscription. It was suggested that the parish might in some way help the ringers.-After the meeting the ringers returned to the tower, where the bells were kept going until 8 ollock. The Guild owes many thanks to the Rev. A. H. Smith for allowing the meeting to be held at Ogbourne, and for arranging the service and tea.

IF THIS SHOULD MEET THE EYE:
The Hon. Secretary of the Midland Counties Association (Mr. W. E. White, Cotgrave, Notts). will be glad to receive the addresses of Tom King, who rang in a peal of Stedman Triples at Enfield on May 27th, 1912; and William Palmer, who took part in a peal of Grandsire Caters at Aston Manor, on November 30th, 1912.

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## A CLEVER LADY RINGER.

Last week we recorded no fewer than three peals, rung on three successive days, in the Midlands, by Miss Margery F. Sampson. One of these peals was Stedman Cinques, and Niss Sampson is heartily to be congratulated upon having accomplished such a performance. Only one Mady (Miss Parker) had previously rung a peal of Stedman


Cinques, and it is worth noting that in each instance it was rung at Birmingham under the auspices of the St. Martin's Guild.

Miss Sampson is rapidly coming to the fore among the lady ringers, and she has now rung quite a number of peals of Grandsire and Stedman. This week we record her first peal of Major, and although she has not yet essayed conducting, we hope it will not be long before she adds that capacity to her accomplishments as a ringer.

## ODD CHANGES.

On Thursday, July 3 rst, the bells of St. Mary Cray, Kent, which have been recast and a treble added to make six, will be dedicated by the Archbishop of Rochester at 7.30 p.m., and, after the service, they will be available for any ringers who care to be present.

We know what a "peal" of bells is; but what is a "peel" of bells, mentioned by a newspaper, in connection with the Assize incident at Bristol?

Any ringers attending the Foresters' conference at Manchester during Bank Holiday week, and desiring a " pull," should write to Mr. H. Chapman (a member of the Order), ir, Beech Grove; or Mr. W. H. Shuker, ro6, Bank Street, Clayton, who will make what arrangements are possible. Representatives will also be welcome at Pendleton on the Sunday at io a.m. or 6 p.m.

It is not everybody, apparently, ${ }^{*}$ who appreciates the beauties of handbell ringing. During the course of a peal of Grandsire Triples at Newcastle-on-Tyne, recorded in this issue, there was a demonstration in front of a house, where the ringing was taking place, and on two occasions a handful of gravel was flung at the window, much to the consternation of the ringers. At one time also there was a bicycle bell accompaniment, which did not fit in at all well with the method or the rhythm. However, all opposition was worn down, and the ringers scored a peal.

There is a very curious fact about the situation of the parish church of All Saints' Wokingham, where the Oxford Guild's festival service was held on Saturday. The ancient borough itself stands many miles within the boundary of Berkshire, yet the parish church and a few
acres of land surrounding it, are in the county of Wiltshire. Moreover, of the three churchwardens, one is elected as the representative of the county of Wiltshire.

## A PEAL ATTEMPT IN AMERICA.

## CHANGE RINGING DELIGHTS BOSTON PEOPLE.

Dr. A. H. Niohols, of Boston, U.S.A., writes: July Fourth commomorates the formal rupture between the Colonies and England, and hence forms our principal national holiday. By the local officials having charge of the celebration, it was deemed an especially gracious act that the English Guild should consent to contribute toward the festivities by attempting a peal of Grandsire on the eight old Rudhall bells of Christ (North) Church, whose silvery notes are projected over a wider area than any other peal in this vieinity.
It was the wish of the Mayor that the band should have the honour of opening the programme by starting their work at early morn; but ultimately the late afternoon was chosen as more convenient to English friends coming from distant towns, attracted by the prospect of hearing once again the musical changes with which they had been familiar in early life. The ringers broke into changes, confident of success, and the striking was almost without a hitch for three hours and three minutes, when, to our discomfiture, the bells came prematurely into rounds. It transpired that when within ten minutes of a successful finish, seven leads were omitted as the result of two bells shifting their course, though no clashing occurred to direct the attention of the outside audience to this unfortunate slip.
The ringers were: P. J. Allfrey 1, Frank Burgar (conductor) 2, Wm. Rashford 3, Geo. Moore 4, Jas. F. Laker 5, Gordon Mackman 6, S. J. Perkins 7, Richard Newton 8.

The newspapers were unanimous in their commendatory notices of the performance, of which the following will serve as an example:-

ENGLISH BELL RINGERS AT OLD NORTH CHURCH.
For the first time in America in sixty years a set of church bells were rung in full form by the English Guild of Bell Ringers at the Old North Church in Salem Street yesterday afternoon and evening.
Operated by skilled hands the historic old bells gave forth a wonderful medley of rhythmic and mellow music. The bell ringers grouped in the belfry put zest into their work.
The tones which emanated from the belfry early last evening, when the bell ringers were giving an interpretation of the old English style of ringing, were exquisite.
Salem Street, in front of the church. and the nearby thoroughfares Were thronged with eager listeners. Many were old residents of the North End, but neter before had they heard such a unique musical treat.
The resonance of the old bells was brought out in full force at times. People all over the district stopped on the street to listen. Boatmen and members of pleasure parties in the harbour were attracted by the unusual pealing of the North Church bells.
The comely steeple of Christ Church is an ancient landmark of the city. Commanding a bird's eye view of Bunker Hill across a narrow stream, the site of the earliest considerable combat of the Revolution, it was throngedı with spectators upon that occasion. A marble tablet has recently been unveiled in memory of Major Piteairn, of the British force, who received a fatal wound while leading a charge upon the earthworks, traces of which are still visible. His remains were buried temporarily in the crypt.

Our Guild has been increased by the arrival of Ernest E. Randall, of St. Albans, who landed on July 6th, and within four hours was taking part in a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples at Christ Church. This touch was rung in forty minutes, the striking being excellent throughout. The circle was formed by: P. J. Allfrey 1, Wm. Bashford 2, E. E. Randall 3, Geo. Moore, 4, Frank Burgar (composer and conductor) 5, Gordon Mackmen 6, S. J. Perkins 7, Richard Newtou 8.

We learn, also, from Dr. Nichols that efforts are being made to sccure rings of bells in two additional towers.

In view of the attempt for the peal, and the reference in the newspaper to the fact that "for the first time in America in sixty years, a set of church bells were rung in full form," it is interesting to recall that the only peal that has been accomplished in the United States, was rung on Siunday, June 9th, 1850, at Christ Church, Philadelphia, by a band of English ringers. It was Holt's ten-part peal of Grandsire, and occupied 3 hrs . 15 mins., the tenor being 18 crot. The band was: T. FI. Lessage 1, C. Rahill 2, F. G. Wade 3. H. W. Haley (conductor) 4, J. Hewett 5, W. Lobb 6, E. Savyer 7, R. Dodd and J. Davey 8. Two men rang the tenor because the one who started on it was lame, and had to give up after 2 hrs. 15 mins.

HAGTBOURNE, BERKS.-On May 15th, the first half of Holt's Tenpart (2520 changes): J. Butler 1, T. East (conductor) 2, F. Bishop 3, W. J. Napper 4, W. E. Napper 5, R. James 6, R. G. Rice 7. J. S. Napper 8. On May 18th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: T. East. junr., 1. W. Newell 2, T. East 3, W. E. Napper 4, G. C. Rice 5, R. G. Rice (conductor) 6, J. S. Napper 7, W. Warwick 8.

## WASHBROOK'S SURPRISE PRINCIPLE.

Some two years ago, in the course of correspondence with Mr. J. W Washbrook on other matters, he wrote as follows: "Would' the Caversham men care to learn a Surprise Principle? I have a method which is far more diffioult than Londion and far more musical than Superlative as good as bell music can be-and it is, I think, the first Surprise Principle you would have seen."
I accepted the offer, but the Caversham band was not able to get properly to work at it until the spring of this year. The first touch for service was rung on Whit-Sunday evening, and a few weeks later 1008 was rung for a wedding.

Recently two unsuccessful attempts were made at a peal, in each of which over one-third of the peal was rung. At the third attempt the peal was well and truly rung. The only matter for regret was that Mr. R. T. Hibbert could not take part. On the first occasion he was prevented by illness, and subsequently he insisted that the band which had acquitted itself so creditably on the previous occasion should be allowed one more good try.
With regard to the method itself, its musical qualities will, I think, not be denied, and in the course of ringing it we have found it to
possess attractions even for those who understand little or nothing of Major ringing. As bell music, then it must take a high place among methods. As to its difficulty, those who have rung the method are rather divided in their opinions; there are some who decidedly agree with Mr. Washbrook, and others who equally decidedly place it below London and Bristol. All, however, agree in calling it very intricate and tricky to ring and possessing a great fascination. It will be found, too, I think, by those who take it up, that the accomplishment of a peal depends perhaps more than in any other method upon each man being well up to his work and sticking to it. As to its name and classification, I am trying to get into communication with Mr. Washbrook, and perhaps this notice in your columns may aid me, but until I hear further from him, the peal had better appear under the title of Surprise Principle.

If for any reasou a new title must be bestowed npon it, it might be called instead, "Washbrook's Caversham Enterprise."
C.W.O.J.

We append the figures of the first section or block of the plain course, which, it will be noted, runs to the same length as Bob Major. All the bells do the same work, and the absence of a guiding bell, like the treble in Surprise methods, will, we think, be found its chief difficulty. We give here also the composition of the peal that was rung at Caversham and a diagram of the method.

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2nd Place Bell Mork.


7th Place Bell Work.


"5th Place Bell Work. 12345678


3rd Place Bell Work. 12345678

## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A very successful meeting of the Portsmouth district was held at East Meon, ringers being present from Fareham, Wickham, Curdridge, Swanmore, North Stoneham, Gosport, Portsea, and Portsmouth. The bells of East Meon, which are a beautiful ring, with tenor 19 cwt ., were kept going by mixed bands to Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major, many young bands ringing their first touch. A short service was held in the church, at which the Rector (the Rev. Heywood Masters, assisted by his curate, the Rev. Basil D. Reed) officiated. The Guild form of service was used, and the Rector, in an address, referred to the inscriptions on bells, which he said were almost invariably "to the Glory of God," and he suggested to the ringers that their work, not only of ringing the bells for His service, but their daily duty, should be for the "Glory of God." The clergy, he said, owed much to the ringers for giving up their time and energy in ringing the bells for church services.

Ten was served in the Institute, a party of 30 sitting down.-Subsequently the business meeting was held, Mr. A. T. King being voted to the chair, supported by Mr. J. W. Whiting (hon. district secretary), Mr. G. Williams (general secretary), and Messrs. Harding and Chappell (representatives).-Five full members of St. Thomas', Portsmouth, and one from Swanmore, were elected.-Further ringing on the tower bells afterwards took place, and the party then travelled to West Meon, where touches of Stedman and Grandsire brought a successful meeting to a close.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION

A meeting of the South Eastern District of the Essex Association was held at Raylejgh, on Saturday. Ringing commenced soon after 4 p.m., and a short service was held in the church, conducted by the liector (the Rev. A. G. Fryer). Owing to the inclement weather, tea, which was to have been on the Rectory lawn, was served in the Parish Room.-At the business meeting, which followed, Mr. A. C. Cork, of Baddingtons, Rayleigh, was elected an hon. member, and, Messrs. G. Freeman, W. Jay, C.Jay, E. Jay and F. Jay, of Rettendon, were elected ringing members. Ingatestone was selected as the place for the annual meeting.-The Res. H. T. W. Eyre proposed, and Mr. Howard seconded, a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. A. G. Fryer for arranging for the service and his kindness in providing tea; to the organist and choir who had so ably led the singing, and to the ladies who prepared and served the tea.-Ringing was again indtulged in, but owing to the bad" "go " of the bells, good striking was out of the question, nothing above the ordinary being rung. During the evening, several. members visited Rettencion, where the newly-formed company took part in Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob Minos:
GARGRAVE-At St Andrew's Church, on May 25 th, a quarter-perl of Grandsire Triples ( 1260 changes) : J. Hogg 1, W. H. Birtwhistle 2, J. Lofthouse 3, W. Bradley 4, J. Langstroth 5, A. R. Jones (conductor) 6, C. Langstroth 7, II. Birtwhistle 8. Also 504 Stedman Triples, conducted by J. Lofthouse.


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## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

## FROM WORCESTER TO GLOUCESTER.

On July 4th, the members of the Worcester Cathedral Guild, together with a few friends, had an outing by motor coach. The party, numbering 27, first proceeded to Eckington. After a short stay, they had a pleasant ride to Cheltenham, which was reached at 11 a.m. After an hour and a half to look round the town, they made their way through, beautiful scenery to the pretty village of Painswick, where dinner was provided by Mr. Goddard, of the Falcon Hotel. Proceeding to St. Mary's Church, they were met by Mr. Hale, Mr. F. Cole and Mr. C. West, who conducted them to the tower, and soon this lovely peal were set in motion. A touch of Grandsire Caters and one of Grandsire Cinques were all that time would allow, and a pleasant little rus soon brought the party to Stroud. Here the ringing members wended their way to the Church of St. Lawrence, whes Mr. Scrivens and other ringers met them, and a touch of Grandsire Caters and a. oourse of Bob Royal were successfully got through. Gloncester was the next stopping place, and at St. Michael's Church the ringers were met by Mir. J. Austin, Mr. E. Davis, Mr. T. Newman and Mr. G. Condick. Several touches were rung to the enjoyment of the visitors, and after a look round the ancient city, the journey home was commenced;, and a call being made at Tewkesbury en route, the "Faithful City" was safely reached at 10 o'clock. The Guild wish to thank the Rer. W. H. Seddon, Rector of Painswick, the Rev. Cannon Prostor, of Stroud, and the Rev. Braithwaite, of Gloucester, for the use of the bells, and those ringers who met them and did all they could to make the onting a most pleasant one.

## A NTOTOR SPIN

St. Peter's Society, Bournemouth, had a motor trip for their annual outing, a large party of the ringers and friends spending an enjoyable day. Wareham was the first stop, and at the tower of St. Mary's Church the be'ls were set going to Stedman and Bob Major. At Dorchester, Mr. Benger, of the local band, was ready to welcome tho party, who, after tiewing the historic town hall, attempted a quarterpeal of Bob Major on the bells of St. Peter's Church, but without success. However, if the touch was lost. full justice was accorded to tho excellent lunch which was served at the Dorchester Arms. Subsequently the petrol steed brought the company to Milton Abbas, where Mr. Perkins, of the Milton Abbey band, was in waiting, and conducted the visitors through the lovely gardens and glasshouses of Milton Abbey Park, the seat of Sir Edward Hambro, and also over the grand old Abbey, and last, but not least, to its tower, where the bells, a light ring of eight, were set going to Stedman and Grandsire. Tea was served at the Hambro Arms, after which the homeward journey to Boumemouth was made by the way of Bryanstone, Blandford, Sturminster Marshall, and Wimborne. The nice rings of six a.t St. Nicholas', Bryanstone, and Sturminster Marshall, were utilised for Bob Minor and Stedman Doubles, A fine day made the taip most onjoyable, and the "Evergreen Valley" was reached in quite respectable hours.

## EDNIONTON RINGERS' WEEK-END

The Edmonton ringers had their annual outing on July 12th and 13th, when they visited Twyford and Reading. Reaching Twyford at 2.30 on Saturday, they were met by the steeplekeeper, who had everything in readiness. A ferr touches in Surprise methods were rung, and the ringers expressed themselves delighted with the tone and "go" of the bells. which are a new peal by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. Soon ringers from neighbouring churches began to arrive, including Misses White, Belcher and Chillingrorth, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, and Messrs. FI. White and A. E. Reeves. After touches in rarious methods. an adjournment was made to the Vicarage garden, where the Vicar (the Rev. - Acworth) entertained all the ringers, numbering about 30 , to tea. A very enjoyable time was spent, and Mr. J. Parker, on behalf of the Edmonton ringers and friends. thanked the Vicar for his kind Tospitality and the cordial welcome he had given them.-The Vicar, in replying, said how pleased he was to welcome ringers to his church, and expressed pleasure at the complimentary remarks which had been passed regarding his bells.

A move was then made to Cajersham, where, as usual, there was a warm welcome from the local men, who took part with the visitors in some London and Bristol Surprise. Later in the evening, touches were rung on handbells.

On Sundav morning the party visited St. Giles'. Reading, and took part with the local ringers, inchuding Miss Goodship, in touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples and Treble Bob Major, London, and Bristol Surnise. Some of the band also visited St. Mary's Church and rang Superlative. The day passed all too quickly. and after ringing at St. Mary's for evening service, the party left Reading for home, which was reached at 10.30 .

The ringers wish to take this opportunity of thanking Mr. and Mrs. Repres, who made all the arrangements for the accommodation of the party, and the Vicars and steeplekeepers of the various churches for the use of the bells

## ROUND IPSWICH

'The annual excursion of the St. Stephen's Society, Westminster, is
always an enjoyable event, and this year's outing was no exception to the rule, when Ipswich was made the headquarters. There is nothing like getting off the mark early, and the party met at Liverpool Street Station at 4.50 a.m. Ipswich was reached before seven o'clock, and att the Suffolk capital they were greetod by the brothers J. and W. Motts. After breakfast, brakes conveyed the party to Coddenham, where London and Bristol were successfully accomplished. The next stop was Stonham Aspall, boasting a fine old peal of ten, upon which, after lunoh, a splendid course of Cambridge Royal and a touch of Stedman Caters was brought round. At Debenham Church, the next call, and where is to be found one of the best eights in the county, the visitors were met by Mr. W. Grimes, who took part in a touch of Superlative, which was followed by London and Bristol. At the Cherry Tree Inn dimner was waiting. The carvers saw to it that they should not be troubled too often, and after creature comforts had been fully discussed, Framsden was visited, and courses of Cambridge and Bristol brought round. The next stop was at Helmingham, a pretty little village, whose church was reached through a lovely park. London and Double Norwich were rung, and the church, one of the prettiest that could be found, was inspected

After calls had been made upon several of the secretary's friends, the party made for Henley, where they were received by the Rer. W. Pearson, one of the best known of the "ringing parsons," who invited them to tea in the Vicarage. This invitation was gratefully accepted, and after tea the grounds were inspected. A course of Stedman Caters was tapped off on the lawn, and then, in the tower, a splendid touch of Stedman Triples was unug, the Vicar taking part. After thanking the Vicar for his hospitality, tracks were made for headquarters, and at St. Margaret's, Ipswich, the party were met by most of the Ipswich ringers. A splendid course of Superlative was rung, and after a touch of London, the "Halberd," the St. Mary-le-Tower Society's "house," was visited, and with a splendid gathering of ringers a pleasant hour was spent. Here, too, the visitors found another of their party, who should have joined them at Ilenley, but, owing to the accident on the G.E.R., took seven hours to reach Ipswich.

On Sunday, Cambridge Maximus and Stedman Cinques were rung for service at the Tower Church. A stroll in the park preceded dinner, which was splendidly served. The river was the attraction in the afternoon, and then, in the cvening, about 30 ringers turned up at the Tower Church to ring for service. A splendid course of Cambridge Maximus was tapped off, and a touch of Stedman Cingues finisherk the ringing; then, afțer a pleasant hour, it was time to bid adieu to friends, and London was reached about 10.45 p.m., after a very successful meeting. The Society wish to thank all the clergy who gave permission to ring, and the ringers who met and welcomed them so heartily, especially the guides (Messrs. J. and W. Motts), who, besides making the necessary arrangements, were a great help in the tower.A.W.G.

## UP THE THAMES

The ringers of Christ Church, Eastbourne, jonned the choirs of that and the other churches of the parish for the annual excursion on Wednesday week, when, reaching Hampton Court by train at 11 a.m. they had a trip up the Thames by steam launch. The weather was on its best behaviour, and tho charm and interest of the river were greatly enjoyed. The party landed at Windsor, and made a rapid raid on the sights of the royal and ancient borough, and afterwards the return trip was made. Luncheon and tea were both served on board and at the conclusion of the former, the Vicar (Canon Allen) thanked the organists, choirs and ringers for their services. - The Vicar was thanked for the splendid outing.-During the journey there was plenty of excellent rocal and instrumental music, which added to the enjoy ment of a delightful day

## ST. CLEMENTS, IPSWICF

The outing of the St. Clement's company took place on Saturday week, when the party started at 6 a.m., by brake, for Stratford St Mary, where a touch of Oxford Treble Bob Minor was brought round. After breakfast, at the Anchor Inn, provided by Hostess South, a move was made to Great Bromley, whore the visitors were met by Mr. J. Bowell. After a short touch of Oxforl they proceeded to Wivenhoe, where the bells were also set going to the tune of Oxford Treble Bob. Thorrington was the next tower, and Oxford and Plain Bob were rung At Great Bentley dinner was served at the Lion Inn by Host Trunnis, and subseanently the party wended their way to the church, where a touch of Bob Major and a short touch of Oxford Treble Bob Major were brought round. A course of Cambridge Surprise was also rung on the back six, Mr. Bowell taking part after having cycled over from Great Bromley. The return journey was then made to lendring, where was found a nice little ring of six. The final call was at Mistlcy, where a well-struck 360 of Double Court was brought round. The party having visited the old church, of which only the two steeples remain, a start was made for home at 8.30 , after a most enjoyable day. The members wish to thank the clergy of the respective churches for permission to use the bells, and also to Mr. W. J. Nevard, of Great Bentley, for arranging the dinner and helping to make the outing a complete success.
Reports of other outings are unavoidably held over

## NORTHAMPTON RINGER HONOURED.

In St. Giles' Schools, Northampton, on Monday week, a presentation was made to Mr. Fred Hopper, who has retired from the belfry, after being associated with St. Giles' for 12 years. The gift consisted of a handsome silver albert and medal, with gold-mounted bell in the centre, and an address, which was as follows:-"Mr. F. Hopper.-We ask your kind acceptance of this small present, as a token of the highest esteem from the ringers and friends of St. Giles' belfry (on your retirement from the office of foreman), to show our appreciation of the good work you have rendered." Then follows the list of subscribers. Mr. Walter Cave (churchwarden) presided over the proceedings, and Councillor John Woods, in making the presentation, said he was sorry it was necessary to make it. Mr. Hopper had been a very active bell ringer at St. Giles' for many years. He was secretary for some time, and then foreman. All appreciated the works, not only of Mr . ILopper, but of all the bell ringers-they were doing a very important part of church work-and Ie was not sure they were always appreciated as they ought to be Friends at St. Giles' felt that even if Mr. Hopper was only leaving them for a short time, they could not allow him to go without some appreciation of his efforts. He hoped that when Mr. Hoppor looked upon the address he would be proud to think that he had left behind many friends.-Mr. Hopper, in reply, said the gift came as a very pleasant surprise to him. What little he had done had been a work of pleasure. The should value the present very much and ever regard it as a token of the good fellowship that existed. -After eulogistic references to the good work of Mr. Hopper had been made by the Chairman, Mr. F. Wilford, and Mr. Sharman, the proceedings terminated with thanks to the chairman for presiding.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The half-yearly meeting of the committee of the Lancashire Association was held at Lytham, on Saturday, when the bells at three churohes were placed at the disposal of the members. Owing to the business meeting, little ringing was done, but time was found for touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, and Kent Major and Minor. Iytham being in the Fylde district, and close to Blackpool, it was decided not to have a branch meeting, as this is the height of the season, but several members of the branch and other friends put in an appearance. Thanks are due to the different clergy for use of bells and room for meeting, and also to Mr. Maries for arranging everything for the comfort of the visitors. It is hoped that ringers who are likely to be in the vicinity of Liverpool will make a note in their diary against October 4th, as it is hoped to have a record meeting to hear the Bishop,

## LONG PEAL CELEBRATED.

To celebrate the 30 th amniversary of the 9,600 of Grandsire Major, rung on June 30th, 1883, at Glodwick, Oldham, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at St. Mary's Church, by: J. Priestley 1, F. ('rossland 2, I. Schofield 3, E. B. Shaw 4, Sam Stott (conductor) 5, A Clegg 6, I.' Hampson 7, J. Hilton. 8. It was intended to have as many of the original ringers as possible, but there were only five available out of the eight who took part in the peal, which was rung in 5 hrs. 29 mins., by: John Hilton treble, George H. Beever 2, Albert Clegg 3, Jas. Platt 4. Fred Crossland 5, C. Dronsfield 6, Sam Stott (conductor) 7, Jas. Priestley tenor. Of the absentees on the anmiversary one is dead, one has given up ringing, and the other was unable to attend. All the ringers in the quarter-peal, it is worthy of note, were over 50 years old, and the aggregate of their ages was 436 cars.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A most successful quarterly meeting of the London County Associa tion was held in the Church of St. Giles'-iu-the-Fields, about thirty ringers atterding from Willesdem, Islington, Holloway, Highgate, Clerkenwell, Southwark, Chelsea, Hackney, Hammersmith, Deptford, etc. Standard methods up to Cambridge and Superlative were rung during the erening
Tho business meeting was held in the church restry, two new mem bers boing duly elected, and various financial items, including 38 s . for riting last year's peals, and $£ 612 \mathrm{~s}$. 11d. for a set of handbells.
The Secretary reported that the sale of the old handibells realised $£ 3$ 17s. 6d., but it was necessary to draw £3 10 s. from the bank, to meet current expenditure, a portion of which would no doubt be returnod at the end of the year. The meeting regretted the loss of one of the old members of the society, Mr. Coomb, who for a great number of years was actively connected with the Association.-A vote of thanks was passed to the Rector for the use of the bells and the restry, and to Mr. Boxall for having everything in readiness, the Master remarking on the clean state of the belfry and the improved state of things generally, compared with a few years ago. The new handbells, a set of sixteen (size 19, in F), supplied by Messrs. Mears and Stainbanik, were then tried, several courses of Stedman Caters being tapped off. The tone and quality of the bells prored exceptionally fine, those that heard them being highly pleased. Messrs Mears and Stainbank are to be congratulated on their fine production.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

The Sudbury district branch of this Association held their summer meeting at Sudbury, on Saturday, when a successful time was spent, both ill ringing the bells of the Churches of St. Peter and All Saints', and also at the tea and business meeting held at the Bull Hotel, There were 27 members present at tea, while several more arrived later in the afternoon.-Mr. T. R. Dennis, the general secretary of the Association, very kindly took the chair, in the absence of the Rector of St. Peter's.
The report of the progress of this Archdeaconry is encouraging, for the membership is steadily increasing, and the peal record is higher than it has been for many years.-Mr. Turner, of Bury St. Edmunds, made the good suggestion that every member who goes to practice on the bells during the week should make it a rule to be present to ring for at least one service on the Sunday; and reminded members that their chief cluty to their church was to ring for services.-This was endorsed by the secretary, who pointed out that they would certainly enlist the sympathy of those clergy in the district who at present are not in favour of ringers, when they found that peal ringing was not the only thing that ringers practised for.

The usual wotes of thanks were passed; and the autumn meeting was fixed for Monk's Eleigh, if arrangements conld be made. Touches of Kent, Bob Major, Grandsire and Stedman were iung.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Southern District was held at Burstow on Saturday week, 25 members being present from Godstone, Horley, Nutfield, Redhill, Reigate, and the local band. Service was held in the church, and a capital address was given by the Rector (the Rev. E. J. Teesdale). -Tea was provided by the Rector in the Church Room, and the business meeting followed.- Eighteen ringing and four hon. members were elected to the district. Bletchingley was proposed for the next quarterly meeting.-A very hearty rote of thanks was accorded the Rector for his kindness in providing tea, for the use of the bells, for his address, and for presiding at the meeting.-The Rev. E. J. Teesdale, in reply, said it was a pleasure to meet the members of the southern district, and he hoped he would again have the pleasure of seeing them at Burstow.-The following methods were rung during the afternoon and evening: Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Kent and Orford Bob and Woodbine Minor.
A report of the meeting of the Association at Egham on Saturday will appear in our next issue.

## GIFT ACKNOWLEDGED <br> To the Editor

Dear Sir,-Permit me to make use of your columns to thank all those members of the Hertford County Association who so kindly subscribed to the beautiful clock and ornaments which have been presented to me on the occasion of my marriage. My wife and I deeply appreciate those tokens of esteem from my fellow members, and we shall always treasure them as mementoes of my connection with the Association.-Yours faithfully, Mementoes of my connection with the

## DEPARTURE OF MR. A. M. C. FIELD, NEWCASTLE.

It, will doubtless be news to many that Mr. A. M. C. Field is leaving England to take up an important appointment in San Paulo, South America. A few years ago, Mr. Field occupied the position of secretary to the Durham and Newcastle Association; but business mattefs necessitated his leaving the district, and it was only some few months ago that he again took up his residence in Gosforth. A very wide circle of ringing friends regret the loss of so enthusiastic a ringer to the Acsociation, and extend to him their heartiest wishes for success in his new undertaking.-On Sunday, July 13th, as a farewell, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung for evening service, br: J. Anderson (first quarter-peal) 1, R. W. Falconer 2, J. F. Bird 3, N. Fleck 4, J. E. R. Keen 5, A. M. C. Field 6, W. H. Barber (conductor) 7, J. S Richardson 8

## THE LATE MR. F. A. NUNN.

## AN URGENT APPEAT

The tragic deati of Mr. F. A. Nunn, of Tottenham, who was drowned at Boreham, Essex, has left his widow and three young children totally umprovided for, and an urgent appeal is made for help in a very distressing case. A subscription list has been started, and already the folloring sums have been received: From his fellow workers, per Mr. Howell, £2 10s.; Anonymoas, $£ 2$ 2s.: Chelmsford and Boreham ringers, per Mr. H. F. Cooper, £1 5s.; total £5 17s. Further subscriptions will be thankfully received and duly acknowledged in this paper by "F.R.," care of the Rev. F. Rice, The Vicarage, St. Ann's Road, South Tottenham, N .

FARNHANi-On Monday, May 26th, 1440 Kent, Treble Bob Major: A. R. Elkins 1, E. J. King 2, H. Chaffey 3, Alf. Caoucher 4, Corpl. Gilbert, R.E., 5, C. Edwar̈ds (conductor) 6, G. Upshall 7, T. Upshall 8. First quarten'-peal on the method on the bells, and by the ringers of 1, 2, 3, 4 anci 8 . Rung in honour of Queen Mary's birthday.

## NOTICES.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held on Saturday, July 26th, at St. Margaret's, Rainham. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged at $5 \cdot 30$ (at gd. each) in the Church Hall. The bells of this church are being rehung in a new iron frame, the old six tuned on the Simpson principle, with an addition of two trebles, making eight, with a tenor about 23 cwt., by Taylor, of Loughborough. All ringers and friends are heartily welcome.-Edward A. G. Allen, Honorary Secretary, 77, Bill Street Road, Frindsbury, Rochester.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Blackburn Branch.-The next branch meeting will be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Burnley, on Saturday, July 26 th, I9r3. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 7 p.m. - J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - The 26th annual festival will be held at St. George's Church, Stockport, on Saturday, July 26th. Service at 3.45 p.m. Preacher, the Rev. H. J. Elsee, M.A., Vicar of St. George's, Bolton. Full particulars by circular.-Rev. A. T. Beeston, Honorary Secretary, New Mills.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - The next South and West District meeting will be held by kind permission of the Rector (Rev. H. Wilson) at Harlington, on Saturday, July 26 th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea at a small charge, 5.45. All ringing friends welcome. - H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - North-Eastern Dis-trict.- The next meeting will be held at Harwich on Saturday, July 26 th. A tea will be provided at 5 o'clock for those sending notice to A. Shufflebotham, District Secretary, Sandpit Road, Braintree.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The monthly meeting of the above society will be held at Calverley for practice, on Saturday, July 26th. Bells will be ready from 3 p.m. Business meeting will be held at the Thornhill Arms at 7 p.m.-F. Hopwood, 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

 -Chew Deanery Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Barrow Gurney on Saturday, July 26th. Bells available at six o'clock. - George Yeo, Honorary Local Secretary.HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Northern Dis-trict.-The bells at Hatfield will be available for ringing from 4 to 9.I5 p.m. on Saturday, July 26 th. Tea can be had in the Park for 7 d. per head.-F. R. Bacon, District Secretary.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-A monthly meeting will be held at Wolvey on Saturday, July 26th. Bells (6) ready at $3 \cdot 30$.-Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-A cycle run will take place to Church Eaton (6) and Haughton (5) on Saturday, July 26th. Bells at Church Eaton available from 3 o'clock.-Rev. E. V. Cox, 39, Westbourne Road, Walsall.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.The summer meeting will be held at Staindrop on Saturday, July 26th, 1913. The bells of St. Mary will be available in the afternoon and evening. Tea at the King's Arms Hotel at 5 o'clock.-R. Stephenson, Joint Honorary Secretary.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Radcliffe on Saturday, July 26 th. Bells available from 5 p.m., meeting at 7.-W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. - Bridgwater Deanery Branch. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at North Petherton on Saturday next, July 26th. Service 4 p.m., tea and meeting following, bells available from 2 p.m.-W. G. Sellick, Branch Secretary.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -Established 1637 - Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on July 3rst, August 14 th and 28th ; at St. John's, Hackney, on August 5th and 19th; St. Giles', Cripplegate, on August 5th ; Southwark Cathedral on August inth; St. Paul's, Cathindral, on August 19th; St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus 7.30, the others 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Rochdale Parish Church on Saturday, August 2nd, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.-Joseph Ogden, Branch Secretary, i35, Salts Street, Shaw, Oldham.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.The next quarterly meeting will be held at Pendoylan on Saturday, August 2nd, at 4-30.-Rev. Connop L. Price and John W. Jones, Honorary Secretaries.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.-The next meeting of this Society will be held on Saturday, August 2nd, at Beighton. Church of St. Mary ( 6 bells, tenor 9 cwt.) available 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. A free tea will be provided, and members who intend being present are particularly requested to notify Mr. G. Parkin, 30, Manvers. Road, Beighton, not later than July 28th. - J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Henfield Branch.-The bells of the above tower (which have recently been recast and rehung) have kindly been placed at the disposal of the association on August Bank Holiday, and all members of the association will be heartily welcome. Tower open from 3 till 9 . Short service at 6 . Tea in Parish Room at 5, as guests of the Vicar, to all who send word by July 3Ist to Mr. E. Lish, 2, North Cottages, Henfield.

PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIA-TION.-The annual meeting of the above will be held at Peterborough on Monday, August 4th. Bells available: Cathedral (5), St. Mary's (6), St. John's (8). Service at St. John's at 4 p.m. Tea and business meeting after at the Bedford Temperance Hotel. Usual reduction to those notifying secretary early.-F. T. Cooke, Honorary Secretary, 195, Gladstone Street, Peterborough.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Yorktown District.-The annual all day meeting will be held on August Bank Holiday. Ringing at Hersham io a.m., Walton 12 a.m., Oatlands Park 2.30 p.m., Chertsey 4.30 p.m. Tea at the Church IFall, Chertsey, at 6 p.m. Supporters requiring dinner must notify me not later than the

3 Ist inst. All ringers will be gladly welcomed.-G. B. Edser, i70, Gipsy Road, S.E.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Middlesbrough on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 4th, 1913. The bells of the Parish Church of St. Hilda will be available for ringing from I p.m. Tea will be provided at Bucks (Clifton Hotel). Members 6d., non-members 1s. 6d. Those intending to be present please notify the secretary not later than Friday, August ist. Members and friends are cordially invited to attend this meeting. - T. Metcalfe, Honorary Secretary, 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The summer festival will be held at Woburn on Monday, August $4^{\text {th }}$. Tea in the Town Hall at 5 p.m. Service at 6 p.m. Preacher, the Rev. C. R. Dickinson. Woburn bells (8) will be available from in a.m. to 9 p.m., and the Husborne Crawley bells (6) after the service.-A. Rust, Honorary Secretary.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.--On Bank Holiday, Monday, August $4^{\text {th }}$, the tower of St. Mary's Church will be open for ringing from 2.30 to 9 p.m.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. F. Dench's address is now 37, Ditton Walk, Newmarket Road, Cambridge.

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The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried cut by you has proved most successful, and given seneral eatisfaction

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,

Architect, Diocesan Survejor

## SUGGESTED APPEAL TO MR. CARNEGIE

Doubtless a great many of our readers have read with interest of the fact that Mr. Andrew Carnegie has recently entrusted the Carnegie Dunfirmline Trustees with the administration of the income derivable from two million pounds' worth of bonds, for public libraries, church organs and other objects in the United Kingdom. A correspondent now writes to us suggesting that an effort should be made to get Mr. Carnegie to include in the "other objects," assistance in the restoration of church bells. The idea is certainly a commendable one if only Mr. Carnegie could be induced to see it in the same light that ringers and church authorities, whose bells are in a dilapidated condition, will view it. Our correspondent says, "There are a great many things to which the benefits of the trust might be extended, but is it not possible, if a great number of ringers, backed up strongly by the clergy, were to make an appeal to Mr. Carnegie or his trustees through the Central Council, it might possibly be successful." We should Fike to think that success might attend such an appeal.
Mr. Carnegie, we believe, is passionately fond of music, and it was because he desired to give the public fuller opportunities of enjoying the pleasure of such a comprehensive instrument as the organ, that he has given such a huge sum to assist churches in their construction. However, Mr. Carnegie has not had so much experience of the melodies of a sweet-toned ring of bells. During his long residence in America he was in a land that was foreign to the joyous notes of a well rung peal, while in his far-off Scottish home their sound is never heard. But Mr. Carnegie has in many ways shown himself ready to help those communities who are anxious to help themselves, and we know from experience how, as a general rule, the people of a parish are anxious to do their utmost for the maintenance of their church bells. Unfortunately it is only too true that in many instances the cost is beyond the parochial means, and it would be a magnificent thing if, with good cause shown, it was possible to look for substantial help to a fund such as that which Mr. Carnegie has established for organs.
Despite all the bell restoration that has gone on in recent years there are a very large number of parishes where a belihanger's attention to the bells is sorely needed, but is indefinitely postponed for lack of the wherewithal to meet the expense. If only the question could be opened up with Mr. Carnegie, there would be no difficulty in making out as strong a case for the bells as could be shown for the organs. The question is who will take the lead? If anything is done it should be done by a responsible body, and that body, it would seem, is the Central Council, but whether the Council could be induced to take it up is another matter.

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## TEN BELL PEALS.

CARDIFF, GLAMORGANSHIRE. THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, July 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES; Tenor 27 cwt.


WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Saturday, July 26, 1913, in Three Hou's and Sixtecn Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN GATERS, 5007 CHANGES ;

Tenor 24 cwt . O qr. I 8 lbs .
Thomas Hughes ... ...Treble ! Villiam Fisher ... ... 6 William R. Small... ... 2 Alfred Rowley ... ... 7 George Hughes ... ... 3 Reuben Hall... ... ... 8 *John W. Jones... ... ... 4 Benjamin Gough ... ... 9 Wieliam A. Cooper ... 5 •Benjamin Fullwood ...Tenor Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by William Fisher.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. The composition is No. I on the Broadsheet. Rung for the Festival of St. James and also for Mr. John W. Jones, of Newport, Mon., honorary secretary of the Llandaft Association.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary and Ale Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5189 CHANGES;
Tenor $24 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
George Lewis ... ... ...Treble Thomas W. Gore ... ... 6
Walter Allwood ... ... 2 George Hollis ... ... 7
John Thorpe ... -... ... 3 Clement Glenn ... ... 8
*Arihur Hague... ... ... 4 Benjamin A. Knights ... 9
George Halksworth ... 5 Arther Knights ... ...Tenor
Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by George Leivis.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. First peal of Caters as conductor.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

STOKE, COVENTRY
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
(The St. Michael's Society, Stoke Coventry.)
On Tuesday, July 22, 1913, in Threc Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Brook's Variation of Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. Oswald J. Hunt ... ...Treble Joseph H. W. White ... 5 William H. Brunsdon ... 2 Charles I'reeman... ... 6 Frank E. Pervin ... ... 3 Adolphus Roberts... ... 7 William T. Cox ... ... 4 William Maund ... ...Tenor Conducted by A. Roberts.
This peal was rung half-muffled as a token of respect and esteem to the late Rev. Canon T. A. Blyth, D.D., for 28 years incumbent of of Stoke, first as Vicar and since 1907 as Rector, who was interred in St. Michael's Churchyard on the above date. He had been a VicePresident of the Warwickshire Guild since its formation in I9O7.

## EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tucsday, July 22, 1913, in Two How's and Fifty-seven Minutes, At Christ Church,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; | Arthur K. Gower ... ...Treble | Ernest Gower... | ... | ... |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | George H. Howse...

> Composed by G. Lindoff, and Conducted by Keith Hart.
*First peal in the method. Ernest Gower's rooth peal. Arranged for Messrs. King and Hughes, who hail from Luton and London respectively.

## LYMINGTON, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCTESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, July 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Mimetes, At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAL CF GRAND\&IRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Holt's Ten-Part. Tenor 20 cwt .
George Williams ... ...Treble $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { George Preston ... ... } 5\end{aligned}\right.$ Francis S. Wilson... ... 2 Edward C. Elliott ... 6 *John Wilkins ... ... ... 3 †Cecil G. Morris ... ... 7 James E. Figgures ... 4 William G. Fowler ...Tenor Conducted by George Preston.

* First peal. + First peal away from the tenor. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of the organist (Mr. H. Wakeford, F.R.C.O), to Miss A. Backhurst. Francis S. Wilson hails from Tewkesbury.


## LONDON.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, July 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDCE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES; Tenor 20 cwt .

| Harold Burton | ...Treble | Frank Bennett |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Edinin F. Pike |  | Frank I. Itairs | ... ... 6 |
| J. Armiger Trollo |  | James E Davis |  |


Composed by C. Middleton, and
Conducted by Frank Bennett.
*First peal in the method. J. A. Trollope's I50th peal.

## NORWICH

THF NORTVICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, July 24, 1913, in T数O Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of S. Michael Coslany,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Carter's Twelve-Part.
Percy C. Artis. Frederick H Kvig... ...T Treble Frederick H. Knights ... 2 Frederick Kinights ... ... 3 George Howchin

Tenor I4 cwt.

Conducted by F; J. Howchin.
First peal on the bells since their rehanging by Messrs. George ${ }^{6}$ Day \& Son, of Eye.

NEWPORT PAGNELL, BUCKS. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (North Bucks Branch.)
On Thursilay, July 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Thorstans' Four-Part.

Harry Senr...
:Valter Sear John Mead ... John Mead ... ......
Cecil A. ...
3
3

Tenor 22 cwt .
Fredrick J. Mynard … 5 James George. Rev. C. W. O. Jenkin … William Smith ... ...Tenor C. W. O. Jenkin. First peal of Stedman on the bells since they were recast by Messrs. illett and Johnston.

## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, July 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHARCES :

John T. Rickman ... ...Treble Richard Stredwick ... 5 | Arthur H. White ... | ... | 2 | John Capp... ... | .. | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Arthur W. Gravett | ... | 3 | Albert D. Stone | .. | .. | 7 | Charles T. Coles ... ... 4 Keith Hart ... ... ... Tenor

Composed by Charles Middleton, and Conducted by Keith Hart.

NEATHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirtein Ninutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor II $\frac{7}{2}$ cwt.

| William C. Wakley ...Treble | John Hoegh |
| :---: | :---: |
| Edward I. Stone ... ... 2 | Herbert Hurdman |
| William J. Smith | William W. Worthington 7 |
| WWilliam Shercliff... ... 4 | Albert P. Wakley ...Tener |
| Conducted by J. Conducted by | Washbrook, and P. Wakley. |

* First peal in the method.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDI.AND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Muntes, At the Church of St. Alkmund,
A PEAL OF GRÁNDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor I7 cwt.


## BOLSOVEI, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (Sheffield District Society.)
On Suturday, July 26, 1913, in Tuo Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Church of SS. Mary and Lawrence,
1 PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT GOE MAJOR, $5 I 52$ CHANGES; Tenor I4 $_{4}^{3}$ cwt.

Composed by Cornelius Charge, and
Conducted by John Flint.

## SOWERBY, YORKSHIRE

THE YORKSHIRE AND HALIFAX AND DISTRICT
ASSOCIATIONS
On Saturday, July 20, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Ceurch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES; Tenor Is cwt.

Jonas S. Ambler ... ...Treble Levis Midgley Norman North ... ... ...
Ernest A. Murgatrovid.. James Cotterell

Lewis Midgley ... ... Thomas Hexry Geider 6 $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Joseph Broadley } & \text {... } & \text {... } & 7 \\ \text { Fred Salmons ... } & \text {... } & \text {... Tenur }\end{array}$
Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by James Cotterell.
Rung as a compliment to Mr. J. S. Ambler on his 50th birthday. After the peal a splendid tea was provided at the King's Head Hotel, and thoroughly enjoyed.

FELTHAM, MIDDLESEX
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS On Saturday. July 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Catherine,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;



Frank Bennett
..Treble $\begin{aligned} & \text { Richard N. Runham }\end{aligned}$ Frank I. Hair $\begin{array}{ll} & \\ \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & 3\end{array}$ Richard Buckland James Hext .5
.$\quad 6$
 William H. Fessell ... 4 Frank V. Sinkins ... ... Tinor Conducted by Frank Bennett

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
(Erdington Parish Church Society.)
On Saturday, Inly 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Barnabas,

## a peal of crandsire triples, 5040 Changes;

Tenor 15 cwt . I qr. 15 lbs ., in F

| Thomas Bicknell ... ...Treble | John Sayders ... ... |
| :---: | :---: |
| Charles Cottrell ... ... 2 | William J. Meers... ... 6 |
| George Garrison ... ... 3 | Jonathan Preston ... ... 7 |
| Miss Margery F. Sampson | John E. Prwell | Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by William J. Meers

The bells were half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Thomas Wells, Parish Clerk of Erdington, one of the ringers at the above Church, who passed away on Thursday, July 24th, and was interred at the Parish Church on the above date.

## ROSS ON-WYE HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, July 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of the Ever Blessed Virgin,
A Peal of crandsire triples, 5040 changes । Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part

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\text { Tenor } 24 \frac{3}{4} \text { cwt., in D. }
$$

Ex-Sergi. J. Williams ...Treble Charles L. Sadler ... 5 William Poston ... ... 2 Arthur S. Boar ... ... 6 $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Campbell Kings } & . . . & . . & 3 & \text { Joseph T. Dyke } \\ \text { Harry } & \text {... } & \text {... } \\ \text { atemp } \\ \text { athur }\end{array}$ Harry Kemp

Conducted by Joseph T. Dyke
Rung on the occasion of the risit of the Lord Bishop of London to Ross, and to celebrate the coming of age of the conductor. Believed to be the quickest peal on the bells. Messrs. Sadler and Williams hail from Newent, Poston from Bridstow; Boar and Dyke from Cheltenham, the rest being local men

COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Sunday, July 27, 1913, in- Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Parish Church,
a PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Holt's Original.
William A. Jeavons...
...Treble | Benjamin Gough

Arthur Baker Thomas Hughes... Samiel Pearce

Samuel Baker Alfred Rowley John Ray
Conducted by Alfred Rowley
Rung before the mid-day service in honour of the first anniversary of the institution of the Rer. J. A. Price, Vicar of Coseley.

PENDLETON, MANCHESTER.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Tuly 28, 1913, in Three How's and Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAS. OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;
Tenor 18 cwt .
Frane Smith
E. Madrice Atkiss ... John Potter George E. Turner

Composed by Joh Cox and
Conducted by E. Macrice Ations.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

DEVYNOCK, BRECONSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, July 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Cynog,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHAHCES;
Being 42 Six-scores, each called differently. Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{5} \mathrm{cwt}$. William Evans... ... ...Treble John L. Morgan ... ... 4
 Conducted by J. P. Hyett.

* First peal. Messrs. Morgan and Parry were proposed members of the Guild previous to starting for the peal. The ringers wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar and Mr. D. L. Havard for their kindness after the peal. Rung in honour of St. James's Day.

RUSHTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION On Saturday, July 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutts. At tee Parise Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford
Canterbury, Oxford Bob, St. Clement's, and Plain Bob.

- Harry Peet
...Treble *Frederick Kilborn

| *Frederick Kilborn |
| :---: |
| Frederick | | Matthias Hobbs | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 2 | Frederick W. Sawfoot |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Horace W. Sharman | $\cdots$ | 3 | J. Edward Chapman | ...Tenor | Conducted by J. Edward Chapman.

- First peal in seven methods

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturduy, July 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF MINOR, $504 Q$ CHANGES;
Being 720 of Kent and two 720 's of Oxford Treble Bob, one of Canterbury Pleasure and three of Plain Bob. Tenor rot $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$
*Clayton Parnell ... ...Treble Albert J. L. Naunton... 4 *Albert J. Nauniton ... 2 John Spencer ... ... ... 5 *William H. P. Mellin 3 Francis W. Nauston ... Tenop Conducted by Francis W. Naunton.

* First peal in four methods.

CRANFORD, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 26, 1913, in Two Hours aml Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of St. John,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGEE ;
Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bolb, two of Oxford Bob and one of Plain Bob each called differently. Tenor $9 \mathrm{cwt}$. r qr.

- Leslie Groom ... ... ...Tteble Joseph Saddington
 Conducted by James M. Nicrerson.
* First peal in four methods.


## LATE PEALS.

WEST BROWWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On IVedncstay, July 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Elevon Minutes,
At Christ Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Reuben Thall ... ... ...Tieble Josepfi Walker ... ...
Thomas Horton
Jesse Screen
Thomas H. Reeves
 Conducted by Thomas H. Reeves.

- First peal. Rung in honour of the enthronement of the Rt. Rev. John Augustine Kempthorne, D.D., and Lord Bishop of Lichfield. I


## LIVERPOOL

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, July 28, 1913, in Thyce Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael, Garston

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGE ;

## Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

Walter Hughes
George Woodhall ... ...
Frederick S. W. Butler Henry Fyles
.Treble Thomas Jennion
George R. Newton... ... 6
Thomas Murray
Edward Caunce
Henry Johnson, and
Conducted by George R. Newton.
Mr. F. S. W. Butler, for whom this peal was arranged, hails from Gainsborough.

## BOREHAM, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 28, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGEE ; Arthor Edwards
..Treble Henry W. Kirton William Lincoln Andrew Shufflebotham.... George F. Margetson Composed by William Wilson, and Conducted by Arthur Edwards.
First peal on the bells since augmentation. The band were full of praise as to the "go" and tone of the ring.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION

## SUCCESS OF DISTRICT SCHEME.

The midsummer quarterly meeting of the Surrey Association was held at Lgham, on Saturday week. Situated on the extreme northerly confines of the area covered by the Association, the expense of travel ling from the more southerly parts of the district doubtless accounted in part for the meeting being somewhat thinly attended. The following towers were represented: Ewell, Kingston, Mitcham, Christ Church, Mitcham; Wimbledon, Staines, Croydion, Yorktown, Old Windsor, and the local band.
The bells are a well-tuned and good-toned ring. Unitlast year they were a peal of six, now, with an outlay of nearly $£ 600$, the people of this pleasant riverside parish have added a treble, and a 17 cwt tenor by the Croydon Foundry, who recast the old bells, and hung all in a steel double frame. The confined space at the disposal of Messrs. Gillett aird Johnston made the work of "giving em fits" a somewhat difficult matter. 'They are, however, to be congratulated on their work, the "go" being excellent. Unfortunately, owing to the squat character of the tower and the double tier, the sound box is nil, and does not sufficiently minimise the noise in the ringing room.
The touches rung at the meeting, though not in Surprise methods (!), were clean and well-struck.
short service was conducted, in the absence from home of the aged Vicar, by the Rev. F. J. Tranter, who, in his brief address of welcome, commended the work of ringers, and gave a notable instance from his own experience in Australia of the reclamation from a life of eriminality effected by the Divine power through the sound of church bells.
The Yiear and churchrrardens, the latter being present, graciously received and entertained the members to tea.- At the business meeting, which followed, Mr. Churchwarden Hill was elected to the chair, and with his colleague Mr. Hopkins, the Rev. F. J. Tranter and Mr. Budgen kindly consented to become honorary members of the Association.
The Hon. Sccretary read a list of 14 peals rung to the credit of the Association, incluting three by the Southern branch, since the last quarterly meeting, and these were ordered to be recorded in the peal books. He also gave a short resume of the transactions of the Central Council meeting at Newcastie.
It was resolver that the monthly combined practices should be discontinued during. July and August, and the next of the scries should be held at Mritcham towards the end of September, when both towers might be utilised.
The successful working of the Sonthern District was touched upon; an accretion of upwards of 80 members through its agency giving rise to a suggestion for the future further division of the Central District; its unwieldy size, as evidenced by that mecting, proving an obstacle to the successful and effective working of the Association and the furtherance of the objects aimed, at, viz, the advancement of change ringing and the recognition of ringers as church workers.
Votes of thanks were carried by acclamation to tine Vicar, assistant curate, the ahtrechwardens, organist, choir boys, and to the steeplekeeper for their presence and help in giving the Association such a yenerous and hospitable welcome, in their respective spheres of office.The Churchwardens, in replying, expressed their appreciation of the Association's visit, hoping that it would tend to adrance the local band and help to bring them on as efficient change ringers, and urged all
those present as brother laymen and church workers not to neglect their duty towards God and their neighbour in being present at the common worship of their Creator and Redeemer, to which the faithful were summoned by the sound of the "holy bell
The Egham band are in a very happy and somewhat unique position in having churchwardens who take such an interest in their work, and it should brace them up "to rise from the stepping stones of their dead selves to bigher things," and not to be content with rounds or stoncy." The writer knows from personal experience that it means a long pull and a strong pull, and a pull all together if it is to be done-but it can be.

## PRESENTATION TO PORTSEA'S OLDEST <br> BELLRINGER.

On Tuesday evening of last week at the Portsea tower, the ringers presented Mr. J. T. Matthews with a silver-mounted umbrella. Mr. Harding, forema's of the Portsea band, regretted that the time had come when Mr. Matthews would be leaving them, for during the time that he had been a member, now upwards of 24 years, he had won the esteem of all who knew him.-Mr. Symonds, who also expressed regret, remarked that now only two members were left in the band who joinedj with Mr. Matthews when the tower was first opened.
The Rev. H. P. Thompson, in making the presentation, remarked how sorry the church officials were to lose one who was so regular in his attendance, and who carried out the duty of ringing the bells for service so faithfully. Mr. Natthews feelingly replied, and said he should ever remember the happy times he had spent in the tower and should ever remember the happy times he had spent in the tower and
with the ringers. The senior members of the band then rang a 504 Stedman Triples: J. Harris 1, J. Symonds 2, O. Groves 3, J. TYheeler 4, A. Collins 5, C. Creasy 6, E. J. Harding (conductor) 7, J. T. Matthews 8.-At the close of the touch, the Vicar (the Rev. F. C. Garbett) visited the tower, and wished Mr. Matthews good health, long life and happiness in his new bome at Chulmleigh, in Devonshire.

## NEW BELLS AT COLD HIGHAM.

The sentiment and public interest surrounding church bells was clearly evidenced at Cold Higham, Northants, on Thursday week, when there was a service and festivities to commemorate the reopening of the church bells. Their restoration was entrusted to Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, and the four old bells, which have done duty, some of them for centuries, have been recast. A treble has been added and a new iron frame installed with space left for increasing the ring to six. The bells are tuned on the Canon Simpaon principle, the tenor being $8 \mathrm{cwts}$.0 qrs. 21 lbs ., in A. The new treble is inscribed: "To the glory of God, the gift of three sisters, Harriet, and Ellen Aris and Jane Howes, 1913." The cost of the work has been £180, of which $£ 145$ had been raised previous to the fete.

A large congregation was present at the dedicatory service, which ras concucted by the Rer. Dr. King, R.D., of Gayton, assisted by the Rev. M. A. Howes (Rector). An appropriate sermon was preached by the Rev. R. Howes, of Bedford (son of the Rector), who took as his text Psalm xci, 1, "Lord, Thou hast been our refuge from one generation to another." He spoke of the spiritual significance of Church bells, and said they must feel grateful that in their village they had become possessed of what was practically a new peal, and he trusted they would be rung for many generations to the glory of God. On one of the bells they had a permanent record of three Ives whose work in that parish had not been in rain.
Subsequently Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles were rung on the bells by a band comprising J. Slarke, J. W. Sharpe, C. S. Faulkner and G. IV. Beesley (Towcester), and F. Wilford (hon. secretary of the Central Northants Association). A very successful garden fete was afterwards beld in the Rectory grounds in aid of the restoration fund.

## PEAL BOARD UNVEILED AT EWHURST.

The usual practice night routine in the belfry of Ewhurst Church, Surrey, was varied very pleasantly on Friday, when Mrs. Glark-Kennedy (the wife of the Rector) umveiled a peal board recording a peal of 5040 clianges of Bob Minor which was rung on Ewhurst bells on February 15th last. Mrs. Clark-Kennedy was accompanied to the tower by the Rector and several lady friends, the Rector's warden, Mr. F. W. W. Topham, was also present.-Mr. R. Whittington, in welcoming the company to the tower, explained the nature of the performance recorded on the board. Mrs. Clark-Keunedy said before she unveiled the board she would like to say how glad she was to come into the old tower, and to have the opportunity of unveiling this record of diligence and tenacity rewarded. She remarked on the difficulty there was in a small village like Ewhurst in keeping people together long enough to be able to achieve results of this nature, and sald how glad she was that a member of her own sex was amongst the band who rang the peal, and complimented Mrs. R. Whittington on her performance. She then unveiled the peal board, which is finished in black, and written in English gold, surrounded by pitch pine mouldings and turned columns. The board was made by Mr. R. Whittington, and written by Mr. Cheesmin, of Cranleigh. At the Rector's request a short tonch of Sob Minor was then rung, the ringers standing as in the peal: MLs. R. Whittington 1, A. Francis' 2. W. Tidy 3. J. Luff 4, R. Whittington 5, W. Denver (conductor) 6 . At the conclusion of the ceremony, the ringers handed' to Mis. Clark-Kennedy' a souvenir of the occasion in the shape of a framed photograph of the ringers and the peal board.

## RINGERS ENTERTAINED.

GARDEN PARTY AT SHEFFIELD.
Quite an innovation was introduced into the lives of the Sheffield ringers, when, on Saturday week, at the kind invitation of the newlyappointed Vicar and Archdeacon of Sheffield, the Rev. H. Gresford Jones, M.A., the members of the Parish Church company, together with the ringers from All Saints' and Ranmoor churches assembled at a garden party at the Parish Church Vicarage. The invitation also included the Parish Church ringers' wives, and the "Peacekeepers" and their wives. The whole assembly numbered upwards of fifty, and as each arrived they were most cordially and heartily welcomed by the Archdeacon and Mrs. Jones, whose hospitable personalities made everyone feel immediately at home.
The introductory part over, games of croquet, bowls and clock-golf were provided for the men, and quoits and various forms of amusement were indulged in by the ladies. The Vicarage is situated on a gentle rise, and surrounded by beatiful grounds and woodland scenery, which, together with a fine afternoon, induced evergone to throw themselves with whole-hearted happiness into the joys and pleasures of their immediate surroundings. To add to the already zealous intercst of the players, prizes were offored by the Archdeacon and Mrs. Jones for the best performances in the respective sections, keen competition ruling at golf. albeit that many of the players were handling at club for the first time. Whilst all this was proceeding, the Parish Church handbell band, under the conductorship of Mr. Geo. Holmes, gave an excellent rendering of selections on the handbells to the delight of all, and particularly to the Archcleacon and Mrs. Jones, who made most diligent enquiries into the practical part of the business. This item was something quite new to them, and came as a pleasant surprise.

MR. C. H. HATTERSLEY AND RINGING.
A break was made at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. for tea, the whole assembly sitting down together in the spacious dining-room, the Archdeacon and Mrs, Jones being at the head of two long tables, whilst good-natured assistance was also rendered by the senior curate, the Rev. Lloyd Wilson. A most sumptwous repast was partaken rof. Afterwards, Mr. C. II. Hattersley thanked the Archdeacon and Mrs. Jones for their very hind hospitality, and said that never before had the Sheffield Parish Church ringers been so highly entertained. They all looked upon it as a very great honour indeed. Such gatherings as these went to prove that ringers at the present time, taken as a whole, were a bit above the ordinary body of men, but some folks who knew not the difficulties of competency, still had the idea that change ringing was only exercised by an ordinary class of people, but their imagination was altogether wrong, for ringers had in their ranks men of influence such as Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., who was a great authority on the subject, and also men of position in most all professions, whilst a very consider. able number of clergy were numbered amongst the practitioners. His first remembrance of ringing with a clergyman was with the late Rev W. Aldred, the then Vicar of Dore, as far back at 1886, and he assured them he thought it was a great honour indeed to ring with a clergyman, but he was not quite so sure that the reverend gentleman had. the same thoughts towards himself. During the last few years the Art had been taken up by ladies, and they had so far progressed as to recently form a Ladies' Guild, whose members had already rung a. peal of 5000 changes, which was ably conducted by Miss Edith Parker. This lady's performances were already far superior to what most men could ever aspire to. Touching on the Weish Chureh Bill at present before Parliament, Mr. Hattersley said that if ever the Bill
became law, he was afraid it would mean trouble for the Constitutional Church of England. In concluding, Mr. Hattersley mentioned that in all human probability their good Archdeacon would be amongst the living for the next forty or even more years, and he sincerely hoped that in the future he would find the same peaceful administration of his work as existed at the present time.

Mr. Sam Thomas, on behalf of the Ranmoor company, in seconding the motion, said he heartily endorsed all that Mr. Hattersley had just said, and he also was very pleased to see the differences that one heard of as taking place years ago between the clergy and ringers had almost entirely disappeared. It was quite common nowadays when ringing visits took place in the country, to receive a hearty welcome and hospitality from the clergy, although this was not yet the rule in the towns.

Support was also given by Mr. F. Willey, on behalf of the All Saints' company, who said it was a great pleasure indeed to his company to be invited on this occasion. Referring to the remarks of Mr. Thomas, he said he believed the fault of bygone years lay as much with the
clergy as with the ringers, inasmuch as they did not get to know their fellow church workers as much as they might have done. This state of affairs was now under ooing great alteration, and the clergy were everywhere recognising the ringers as a respectable body of church workers, and he hoped that the good feeling would continue.

Mr. H. Tomlinson and Mr. G. Heald offered thanks on behalf of the "Peacekeepers," the latter stating he had" an unbroken record of over forty years' service under four Archdeacons, and this was the first time he had ever been invited under the roof of the Archdeacon of Sheffield

## ARCHDEACON'S WLLCOME

The Archdeacon, in replying, said the words he had just heard from the rarious speakers had tonched him rery much. $\mathrm{H}_{\Theta}$ was delighted
to be connected with such an excellent body of fellow workers in the service of the church, and it gave Mrs. Jones and himself very great pleasure indeed to welcome the company present that afternoon. Ho assured them he had experienced great difficulty in getfing in touch with his kind helpers, as he found that being Vicar of Sheffield was very different to being Vicar of a parish, for his duties compelled him to enter into the work connected with other Sheffield parishes, with the result that he had to leave part of the Parish Church work to the care of his fellow clergy. He hoped, however, that in time he would get to know them all. He had taken this opportunity to invite the ringers and peacekeepers to the large house and benutiful grounds which had been found for him and entrusted to his care, as it was his wish that so long as he remained there, he could not do better than by asking his fellow workers to share with him God's good gift. It gave him great pleasure to see that some of the company present (notably from Ranmoor) were quite young men who were interested in the art of change ringing, and he wished them every success in the work they had entered upon. He fully recognised that the duty of ringers in calling others to the worship of God was somewhat exacting and he knew that sometimes they felt inclined to take a rest after their exertions, but he sincerely hoped that all would try to attend at least ono of the services each Sunday, and thereby set an example to others to become regular followers of the church. In concluding, the Archdeacon again expressed his delight at meeting such a body of men, and stated that he had recently boen elected an honorary member of the Yorkshire Association of Change Ringers, which he considered a very great honour indecd (applause)
Mrs. Jones very kindly expressed her pleasure and thanks for the company of all present, and said she could not let the opportunity pass without making special mention of the delightful performances of the handbell ringers, who had helped to make the afternoon so enjoyable.
A resumption of the games and competitions followed until late in the evening, when the Archdeacon distributed the prizes to the men and Mrs. Jones to tho ladies, whilst other tunes and selections were given on the handbells by special request.

The writer feels that he camot possibly do full justice or even adequately express the appreciation of the ringers and peacekeepers at the affectionate kindness shown them on this auspicious innovation of good fellowship between the clergy and church workers of Shefficld. and the result, it is hoped, will be seen by the contimued devotion to duty and unstinted assistance given to the Archdeacon in his future work to the honour and glory of God.

## DISTRICT MEETINGS.

A quarterly meeting of the Bridgwater branch of the Bath and Wells Association was held at North Petherton, on Saturday last, and at tended by members representing Bridgwater, Huntspill, Chedzor Wembdon, Emmore and Tamnton. A short service was held in the church, conducted by the Rev. E. de St. Croix (branch chairman), in the absence of the Vicar of North Petherton. After service tea was provided at the Clarence Hotel, followed by the usual business meeting Wembdon was the place chosen for the next meeting. - A rote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the Rev. E. de St. Croix for conducting the service and presiding over the meeting.The members afterwards returned to the tower and kept the bells rolling to various methods for the remainder of the evening.

A successful combined practice of the Sonning Branch of the Oxford Guild was held at Arborfield on Saturday, 18 members being present representing the towers of Sandhurst, Binfield, Hurst, Finchampstead Easthampstead and Arborfield. Touches of Kent, Oxford, Woodbine Cambridge, College Single and Plain Bob Minor and Grandsire and Stedman Doubles were rung.

A successful practice meeting was also held on Saturday at Goring and Streatley by the Bradfield branch of the Oxford Guild. Tea was very kindly provided by the Rev. H. C. Wilder, hon. secretary to the of Goring, Streatley, Pangbourne, Bradfield, Theale, Englefield, Been ham and Aldermaston were represented, the touches rung including Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Canter bury Pleasure

The summer meeting of the Durham and Neweastle Association was held at Staindrop, on Saturday. The attendance was somewhat meagre, but those who were there enjoyed the afternoon's outing the six bells of St. Mary's being well utilised. A most excellent repast was served at the King's Arms Hotel. It was a pity there was not better attendance, as it was a glorious day, and many would have enjoyed a walk in the beautiful country wherein Staindrop is situated.

A meeting for the North-Eastern district of the Essex Association was held at Harwich on Saturday, when ringers attended from Bock ing, Mistley, Ipswich, Harwich, etc. Tea was provided at the Norfolk Dining Rooms, followed by a meeting, at which the elcetion of three members of Rettendon and seven of Shalford were confirmed, and a vote of thanks was accolded the Vicar for the use of the bells. The ring ing during the day included towches of Kent and Oxfond Treble Bob Grandsire and Stedman.

## A GLOUCESTER APPEAL.



To the Edtitor
Dear Sir, -May I appeal to the wide circle of ringers who take in your valued paper for help towards the restoration of our church tower. Six years ago, thanks to the generosity of our squire, the four old bells in our tower were taken out, and a maiden peal of six (tenor 12 cwt., in F) were cast by Messrs. Taylor and Co., Loughborough, to the great joy of the whole parish; the bells not having been previously rung for about 60 years. A band of young ringers was formed, who soon mastered the Grandsire method, but ringing has had to be stopped now for nearly a year owing to the cracked condition of the tower. Thorough under-pinning is necessary, together with considerable work above ground. The architect employed estimated the
probable cost at £300, and we thought that we might possibly be able to raise this sum locally, although the parish itself is only a small agricultural one of 400 people. Now, However, the lowest tender ruceived is found to be nearly half as much again! and work has not been begun this summer, as was hoped.

I feel sure, judging from the practical sympathy we have received from ringers locally, that there must be many more who would like to help us to get our bells going again.
Any assistance, howner small, will be most thankfrlly received.Yours faithfully,
Corse Vicarage, Hartpury, S.O., Gloncester.

## PRESENTATION TO A LADY RINGER.

On Saturday week the ringers of the Parish Church, Erdington, assembled for a peal on the bells as a farewell to Miss Margery F. Sampson, but owing to the serious illness of Mr. Thomas Wells, Parish Clerk, and who is also one of the ringing band, the ringers in sympathy with him decided to postpone it to some date later. By the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. J. Preston, the party were entertained to tea, to which justice was done. After tea the secretary, Mr. J. Preston, on behalf of the members, presented to Miss M. F. Sampson a gold bell, engraved with the monogram, "M.F.S.," and on the back with the following: "Presented to Margery F. Sampson, on the occasion of her leaving Birmingham, with best wishes from the ringers of the Erdington Parish Church. July 19th, 1913. J. Preston, secretary."
The Secretary, in making the presentation, said they were sorry to hear of the illness of Mr. T. Wells, and the members would sympathise with him and his wife in their trouble, and trusted their colleague would soon be restored to his usual health, and come amongst them once more. He congratulated Miss Sampson on the number of peals she hadl rung, and said it was the wish of those present that they should give her some memento before she left for her home in Exinburgh. They hoped she would wear it as a reminder of the delightful time she had spent with the ringers. They all wished that she would long be spared in the best of health to continue the art of ringing, and that, if she was in Birmingham at a future date, she would not forget to pay them a visit.

Niss Margery F. Sampson thanked the ringers very much for the beautiful present, and said it was to her a great surprise. She would always romember them for the kindly way they had received her when at Erdington, and would surely not forget to pay them a visit if she came that way.
The manufacture of the gift had been entrusted to Mr. Thomas Ruseam, one of the ringers, and was executed in fine style, the members expressing their appreciation of the artistic skill shown.- A vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. and Mrs. J. Preston for their kind hospitality.
From the ringers of St. Editha's, Tamworth, with which tower she has been associated', Miss Sampson has received a ladies' dressing casc.

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## BOREHAM BELLS DEDICATED.

The parishioners of Boreham, Essex, joined whole-heartedly on Sunday in the service of dedication of their ring of belis which have just been restored by Messrs. John Warmer and Sons, of the Spitalfields Foundry. The work has included the addition of two trebles, and the recasting of the 6 th and 7 th, and the contract has been carried out in the most satisfactory manner. The dedication took place before the usual morning service, the congregation gathering outside the tower, while the clergy, churchwardens and choir took up their position within, and the proceedings wera quite impressive. After four verses of the hymn, "When morning fills the skies," had been sung, the dedicatory and other prayere, most of which were taken from the leaflet of the Essex Association's form of service, were offered. The local company then rang the bells for a few minutes, and the sound of the restored peal delighted everyone present. Messrs. Warner and Sons were represented by Mr. Andrew Warner.

At morning service, which followed, the bells were the keynate to everything. The hymns were: "Hark on high the joyful music," " Unchanging God who livest," and "Lifted high within the steeple." Special psalms were also sung, and the appropriate lessons were read by Canon Hulton. The Vicar (the Rer. D. N. Yonge) preaching from the words, "I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the House of the Lord,' spoke of the uses of bells and their sweet voices, and made mention of the beautiful tone of the two new bells. The offertories during the day were deroted to the Bell Fund.

For evening service, touches of Plain and Treble Bob Major were rung by the local band, and visitors from Chelmsford, Fryerning and Coggeshall, including Mr. D. Elliott, District Master of the North Eastern Division of the Essex Association. The opinion of all who were present is that Boreham possesses a very musical peal, the "go leaving nothing to be desired, and the workmanship being eminently satisfactory. The weights, etc., are as follow:-

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| 3 rd | D. | 4 | 2 | 17 |
| 4 th | C. | 5 | $\stackrel{3}{ }$ | 1 |
| 5th | $B$ flat. | 6 | 2 | n |
| $6{ }^{\text {th }}$ | A. | 7 | 9 | 1.5 |
| 7 th | G. | 9 | 2 | 12 |
| Tenor | F. | 13 | $\bigcirc$ | 19 |
| Total weight |  | 55 | 2 | 13 |

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## Erdington Bells and Ringers.



About half-way between Birmingham and Sutton Coldfiedd, in one of the suburbs of Greater Birmingham, stands the grand old Parish Church, St. Barnabas, Erdington, built in the year 1822-3 by the Commissioners for Building Churches on a site given by Earl Howe, and at a cost of $£ 6,000$. The church, a picture of which appears on the following page, was enlarged in the year 1883, and in 1893 a very fine open-timbered roof was erceted. The church is built of stone in a dncorated style, and the chancel contains a fine piece of work over the altar representing the Lord's Supper. The living is held by the Rev. Frederic Smith Swindell, M.A., who has recently celebrated his twentyfifth year as Vicar of Erdington. The tower contains a clock given by Mrs. Perry to the memory of her husband, and a peal of eight bells (by Messis. Taylor and Ca.) one of the finest in the country, presented in 1904 by the late Mr. Thomas Ryland, J.P., of The Redlands, Jirdington, to the memory of his daughter, Mary P'roctor Ryland. The tenor is 15 cwt . 1 qr . I5 lbs., in $F$, and on each bell is inscribed one line of a verse:-

> Treble: Ring on joyous bells; never slumber,
> 2: Let us hear each message you bring,
> 3: And our hearts o erfowing with gladuess
> 5: Must break into music and sing.
> 5:

6: Sing Praises to Jesus, our King,
7: Sing Praises to Thee, Holy Spirit,
Tenor:
Ring on Blessed Bells ever ring.

Mary Proctor Ryland.
The bells were dedicated on February 21st, 1904, and a month later the first paal of Stedman Triples was rung on them by the St. Martin's Guild. In the same year a band of local ringers was formed under the instruction of Mr. Thos. Russam, their ringing master, of Alton. Great difficulty was found in keeping the men together, but they rang their first peal of Grandsire Triples on June 8th, 1907. The present band, a photo of which we reproduce, consists of the President (the Vicar), eight members and two honorary members. The ringers are very fortunate in having a good friend in the Vicar, who is always most kind and ready to meet them and grant the use of the bells, and also in having a hardworking and painstaking secretary in Mr. J. Preston, to whom credit is due for the fine peal tablets erected in the church to record two peals of Grandsire Triples, one to the memory of the donor of the bells and his daughter, and the other rung on the Coronation of King George $V$ and Queen Mary.
Our photo of the band has a pathetic interest, inasmuch as the group, taken on the belfry steps. includes the late Mr. T. Wells, whose death aud funeral we record this week. Curiously enough, also, we report


Erdington Chorch.
in this issue a presentation made by the band to Miss Margery Sampson. Those in the group, commencing from the top are: Chas. Cottrell, Rev. F. S. Swindell (Vicar), John E. Pywell, Geo. F. Swann, the late Thos. Wells, Geo. Garrison, Jonathan Preston, John Sanders, Thos. Russam, Miss Margery F. Sampson, Wm. J. Meers.

# BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS. LINCOLN. 

SOME ADDITIONAL NOTES BY J. R. JERRAM.

As my account of Lincoln Cathedral bells was necessarily somewhat curtailed on account of space, I herewith submit the following additional notes to your readers.

The late Mr. North mentions several traditions as to the origin of " Great Tom," most of which he considered to be without foundation. All that can be gathered is that a large bell hung in the north-west tower for several centuries. I gave an account in my former article of the casting of the Great Tom of 16 ro from an older, and somewhat lighter bell, by Robert Newcombe and Henry Oldfield in that year. I may add that this bell used to be swung, up to the year 1802. After this the ringing was discontinued on account of the supposed instability of the tower, and after this it was only tolled by means of a clapper rope. When the bell was cracked in 1827, among other proposals, James Harrison, bell founder, of Barton-on-Humber, recommended the casting of a peal of ten bells from the metal of the eight in the south-west tower and the six in the central tower, all to be hung in the central tower, with a new Great Tom in the centre! The Dean and Chapter fortunately did not accept his proposals. William Dobson, of Downham, proposed casting a new Great Tom from the metal of the old one, and that of the six Lady bells, then hanging in the central tower; adding about ro cwt. more metal, and hanging the new bell in the central tower. Another proposal, broached by the Precentor, was to recast the old Great Tom, and to cast two new quarter bells; the metal for the latter being provided by melting up the front four bells of the peal of eight in the southwest tower! Happily this proposal was not entertained.

Up to 1827 the clock was in the north-west tower, and used on Great Tom, the quarters being struck on the fifth and tenor of the peal of eight in the south-west tower ; the hammers being connected by means of cranks and wires carried along the west front from one tower to the other.
I mentioned in my former article the cutting off of nearly

9 cwt. of metal from the old Great Tom, with the idea of excising the crack. I may say that John Briant (then retired from business as a bell founder) warned the Dean and Chapter that this would be useless. Nevertheless they tried the experiment. When the order was finally given to Mr. Thomas Mears to cast a new Great Tom from the metal of the old one, and that of the six bells in the central tower, to save trouble, the old bell was broken into seven or eight pieces. The demolition took place after morning service on Wednesday, June 18th, 1834, the clapper being used as a battering ram.

With regard to the peal of six Lady bells in the central tower, the note of the tenor is said to have been one note above the tenor of the old peal of eight in the south-west tower. The total weight of the six bells when taken down and weighed was 68 cwt . 2 qrs. 4 lbs . The ropes of the four largest bells were carried down and fastened to rings at the base of one of the piers in the nave below for the purpose of chiming. Two were chimed for service on ordinary days, and four on the Eve of Saints' days, Saturdays and Sundays. On Lady Days, March 25th, the singing boys used to go up to the bell chamber and chime them with cords on the clappers in the following order: I, 3, I, 2, 4, I, 5, I, 2, 6 . This was supposed to fit to the words "A-ve-MIa-ri-a-or-a-pro-no-bis." The third was rung at $6 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. in summer, and $7 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. in winter. The tenor was rung as a " Pancake bell " at noon on Shrove Tuesday. She was also tolled forty strokes at the shutting of the Cathedral doors every night, after which the searchers walked round and searched the building throughout.

It is a great pity that these six bells should have ever been sacrificed just for the sake of increasing the weight of Great Tom and providing two quarter bells. Lincoln was the only Cathedral which could boast of possessing two peals of hells.

## ODD CHANGES.

We would remind our readers of the urgent appeal which has been issued for help for Mrs. Nunn and her three young children, who are left totally unprovided for by the tragic death of Mr. F. A. Nunn, at Boreham. Contributions will be thankfully received by "F. R.," care of the Rev. F. Rice, The Vicarage, St. Ann's Road, South Tottenham.


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The aptitude with which ladies acquire the Art is often wonderful. The Fakenham band have as recently as Easter last, admitted Miss A. E. Adcock to their circle, but she has made such admirable progress, that on Sunday week she succeeded in ringing the treble to 720 Bob Minor, the company being : Miss Adcock r, A. Baldwin 2, C. S. Tuthill 3, C. Wybrow 4, C. E. Ebberson 5, G. Beverley 6, R. Cooke (conductor) 7 , W. M. Tuthill 8. It was rung with 6-8 covering, and as a birthday compliment to Messrs. C. E. Ebberson and R. Cooke.

A correspondent of "The Guardian" makes an appeal to the Church not to miss the opportunity which presents itself of becoming the pioneer of carillon music in this country. If carillons are going to become common, he hopes it will be through the instrumentality of our Cathedrals and Churches, instead of being left to the initiative of municipal and other authorities. There is no country in the world, he adds, which has done more for bells and bell-ringing than England, and there is no body $\neq$ or institution which has done so much in this respect as the Church of England.

St. Chad's company, Shrewsbury, under the instructorship of Mr. C. R. Lilley, are making rapid strides and, we understand, developing into a really good band. Those who know the enthusiasm of C. R. Lilley will not be surprised to hear this. The Abbey bells, which are at present hung for chiming only, will in the near future, it is hoped, be hung for ringing.

In connection with the Hertfordshire demonstration of protest against the Welsh Church Disestablishment Bill, held at Hatfield last Saturday, Canon Lord William Ceci1 invited members of the Herts Association of Ringers to use the bells of the Parish Church, and members attended in considerable numbers from many parts of the county. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major were rung.

We have received from Mr. John Beams, a member of the Surrey Asociation, a specimen of Peal Book, which he is putting on the market at 3 s . 6 d . Its pages are about the size of The Ringing World. Many ringers, we are sure, have had difficulty in obtaining a really suitable book for recording their peals, and in the neatly-bound volume of 300 pages, which Mr. Beams is now offering, this need is admirably met. As will be seen from an advertisement among our notices, Mr. Beams offers to write in the first peal in the book free of charge, if particulars are enclosed with the order.

It is astonishing how ringers, after giving up the Art, frequently come back to "the old love." Recently, at Galleywood, Essex, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung for evening service, the tenor man having previously not touched a bell rope for 16 years. The ringers were: H . W. Kirton I, A. Head 2, H. Head 3, H. Richell 4, H. R. Dawson 5, J. Walden 6, H. F. Cooper (conductor) 7, G. Head 8.

## ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.

The meeting of this Guild at Aldington on Saturday week revived a custom that was at one time an annual summer ceren among its members. The threatening weather accounted for several absentees, iout representatives attended from Appledore, Ashford, Brabourne,

Mersham, Rye, Stone-in-Oxney, and the local tower. The bells were kept going in the afternoon and evening, Grandsire Doubles, Kent Treble Bob Major and Bob Minor being practised, a 720 being scored in the last-named method. Mr. C. Slingsby kindly entertained the visitors to tea, and Mr. A. C. Kay (Ashford) presided at the business mecting. The ammual outing was discussed, and it was decided to visit Margate on Saturday, August 16th. Thanks to the financial prosperity of the society, 2 s . will be allowed to each member attending. - It was also decided to attempt a peal at Ashford to-morrow (Saturday), if it is possible to secure the bells.-Mr. E. S. Ruck (Mersham), Messis. C. Slingsby, E. J. Waustall, G. Hooper, and W. Shorwoodi (Aldington) were elected members, and the meeting concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector (the Rev. Nunn) for the use of the bells, and to Mr. Slingsby for provicling tea in such an haspitable manner.

DEATH OF MR. T. WELLS, ERDINGTON.
We regret to announce the death of Mr. Thomas Wells, Parish Clerk of Erdington, one of the ringers and honorary auditor of St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, who passed away at his residence, 66, Church Road, Ervington, on July 24th, in his 45th year. The deceased had been ailing for sometime, although his end came very suddenly, and as a great surprise to many of his friends. It was only a fortnight before that he journeyed to Tewkesbury with the Erdington ringers for their annual outing, and seemed in the best of spirits, and it was a pathetic circumstance that in his speech at dinner he remarked that probably it would be the last time he would be with them as a ringer. He took to his bed on the following day, and lay for the greater time unconsoious. An operation was performed, but without success, and Mr. Wells passed away on Thursday week. It was a great blow to his fellow ringers who had met the previous Saturday at the church for a peal which had to be postponed, and who then had to meet the following week for his funeral.
The interment took place on Saturday last at the Parish Church, amid great sorrowing, the church being filled with a large number of sympathising friends. The cortege was met at the entrance by the choir and clergy. The service, which was, choral, was very impressive. It was conducted by the Rev. F. S. Swindell, M.A., Vicar, assisted by the Rev. A. W. R. Turner and the Rev. A. Johnson. There were a large number of wreaths, including a floral bell from the ringer's of Erdington. After the service, the "whole pull and stand" was rung recording the deceased's age, and afterwards a muffled peal was ing recording the deceased s age, and afterwards a muffled peal was ling Society, including Miss Margery F. Sampson, who came at personal inconvenience to ring in the peal. Owing to a previously arranged outing of St. Martin's Guild, and such short notice, the members of the Guild could not be present, but sent an expression of their sorrow and regret.

The deceased has, during the short time he was connected with ringing, taken part in nine peals, seven of Grandsire Triples and two Stedman Triples.

The service on Sunday morning was a memorial one, and was attended by the ringers. The Vicar paid a great tribute to the late Mr. Wells for his good work in the parish.

## RAINHAM BELLS DEDICATED.

St. Margaret's Day, which fell on Sunday week, was a red-letter day in the history of Rainham Church, Kent. for not only was it the dedication festival of the church itself. but also the occasion of the dedication of the two new bells which have been added to the six just renovated and rehung "in remembrance of our late Sovereign, Lord King Edward VII, and in commemoration of the Coronation of our Sovereign Lord King George V and his gracious Consort Queen Mary."

For some months the bells have been silent, through dilapidation, but on Sunday crowds of people from the surrounding district came to hear them peal forth once more those melodious sounds which only bells can produce. The services throughout the day were conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. J. M. Tamplin), and the special preacher was the Rev. Canon E. A. Stuart, of Canterbury Cathedral. In the morning, the Canon took as his subject, "The Transfiguration," and preached from the text, "Lord, it is good for us to be here." The dedication took place in the afternoon. Just before the sermon, Canon Stuart, the Vicar and chwrehwardens (Messrs. J. A. Walter and E. Jelly) wended their way to the west tower, where the Canon read appropriate prayers, and pronounced the words of dedication. Three leads of Grandsire Triples were then rung by the following representatires
of the Kent Association: W. Cook 1, W. Haigh 2, F. Ockwell 3, W. Wilkins 4, W. Spice 5, W. Fastor 6, J. Champion 7, C. Belsey 8, and this was followerl by an inspiring sermon by Canon Stuart on the first four verses of Psalm lxxxiv.
At the evening service, the church was again crowded, and an impressive sermon was preached by the Canon on the "Joy of Jesus," and an inspiring and happy day was brought to a close with the singing of the Doxology. After both the afternoon and evening services, some good touches were rung on the bells by ringers from Gillingliam, Chatham, Rochester, Bromley, Sittingbourne, Borden, Tunstall, U'pchurch, and Swanscombe, while Mr. Taylor himself, whose firm is responsible for the splendid work done to the bells, was also present at the dedication.

## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

A SUFFOLK MOTOR TOUR.
The annual outing of the St. Margaret's Society, Leiston, took place on Saturday, an early start being made by motor. A circuitous route was taken, and touches were rung at the various places en route. The first halt was made at Laxfield, where the bells were set going to Oxford Treble Bob, Bob Minor and Stedman Doubles, much to the delight and surprise of the villagers. Then, after refreshing the inner man, tracks were made for Stradbroke, where a cordial welcome was accorded to the ringers by the Rector. Owing to the bells being somewhat heavier than the members are accustomed to, a start was made with a touch of Kent, followed by a course of Superlative and a touch of Stedman Triples. Horham was the next place of call, and here the tower contains the lightest peal of eight in the county, the tenor weighing only 7 cwt. Bob Major', Cambridge Surprise and Stedman 'Iriples were rung After Horham came Worlingworth, whele a good dinner awaited the party. A game of bowls was afterwards indulged in, Mr. D. Collins acting as instructor to some of the novices. When tired of the green, the party made for tho church, and Oxford and Stedman Triples were rung. Journeying on to Framlingham, the members were pleased to meet Mr. H. E. Smith, who conducted them to the tower, where Double Norwich, Cambridge Surprise and Stedman Triples wret rung. The final call was made at Rendham, Kent and Stedman Doubles being indulged in here. Leiston was reached again at 8.15 p.m., cxactly 12 hours from the start. The members wish to thank the parious incumbents for the use of the bells. and all who helped to make the outing a success. - It was unanimously agreed that this was the most enjoyable excursion since the inception of the society.

## STOWMARKET.

The Stowmarket ringers visited Yarmouth for their annual outing, On arriving at the famous resort, steps were made for St. Nicholas' Church, where the visitors, having inspected the fine building, were met by Mr. R. Ohristian, of Yarmouth, who escorted them to the tower. Grandsire Triples and Caters, and a course of Double Norwich on the back eight were rung, and with the help of Messrs. D. Hayward and Hammond rounds on the twelve were tried. After dinner the party disporsed to indulge in the many pleasures which Yarmouth provides, and met again at 5 p.m. for a visit to Beccles. They were met there by Messrs. Goate, Reynolds and Baxter, who had the tower and bells ready, but time only parmitted a course each of Double Norwich, Stedman Triples and Bob Major, and a plain course of Grandsire Caters, with the help of the local men. Stoxmarket was reached agan about 10 p.m., after a most enjoyable day. The company extend their best thanks to Messrs. Christian, Hayward aud Hammond, of Yarmouth, and to Messrs. Goate, Baxter and Reynolds, of Beccles, for their kindness.

## VISIT TO ARUNDEL.

For their annual outing the Holy Trinity Guild, Gosport, visited Armolel, which was reached about $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. After several touches of Grandsire had been rung on the bells of the Parish Church, an inspoction of the building and the Catholic Church followed, and after lunch in the park, the party was increased by the arrival of the Vicar and friends. A drive and boating on the river were enjoyed in the Ftermoon, and then a company, numbering about 40 , sat down to In the evening another visit was paid to the belfry, and subsequently some enjoyed a trip by motor launch, and others a drive, be-
fore returning to Portsmouth. The Guild wish to thank tie Vicar for the use of the bells, and Mr. and Mrs. Blackman for their attentions.

## DISS RINGERS ENJOY THEMSELVES.

Thirteen members of the Diss company had a pleasant tour for their Ammal outing. Leaving Diss at 7 a.m., the party was conveyed in a brake to Kฐnninghall, where some fine touches of Oxford Treble Bobly and Double Norwich were brought round. Passing along Quidenham "long lane," with its mile of overhanging trees and beautiful heduerows, a call was made at the Parish Church. The belfry being small and the bells hastily raised, the fact that a rope was missing was not discovered until the eighth man entered the belfry, when, With a look of surprise, he exclaimed, "Here, where's my rope gone?" Howwas brought round.
Hingham was the next stop, and some touches of Stedman Triples and Double Norwich were accomplished in fine style. The church is a grand old building, with a beautiful tower, aud a belfry quite six yards Scuare, containing a fireplace in one corner. After a stay of half-anTu, the party left for Wymondham, where an excellent dinner was rovided. at the Queen's Ticad. After due justice had been done to all the good things (and certainly the "fragments that remained" were smali), the Old Abbey Chureh was visited, and the bells were soon going to the strains of Superlative Surprise and Stedman Triples. The bolls are in good condition, they "go" splendidly, and the ringers very moch enjoyed the "pull."
From Wymondham, a cross-country ride brought the party to New Tuckenham. The stay here was short, owing to the bad condition of the bells-a peal of six. Winfarthing, with its newly cast peal of six was the final call, and some tonches of Treble Rob Minor were rung in good style.

Diss was reached at 9.30, after a most enjoyable ride. The company would like to thank the Rectors of the parishes visited for giving permission to ring, and also the steeplekeepers for having everything ready.

## A DAY IN ROMFORD AND HORNCHURCH.

The Stansted (Essex) company visited Romford and Hornchurch for their anuual outing. At the former place they were met by three of the local company: Messrs. Watson, Butler and Jay. At the church, tcuches of Cambridge, Superlative and Stedman were rung, and the Vicar gave the visitors a hearty welcome to Romford. Dinner at the Fox and Hounds Hotel was done full justice to, and Mr. H. F. Dawkine here joined the party, who subsequently returned to the tower and rang a course each of London and Bristol Surprise. Hornchurch was reached about $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., Messrs. Butler and Watson accompanying the party who wore met by Mr. Dale, the steeplekeeper. Ringing, however, could only be indriged in for one hour, owing to a garden party in the adjoining grounds. Touches of Stedman, Cambridge and Double Norwich were rung, and an excellent tea was partaken of at the Bull Inn. The members wish to thank the Vicars for so kindly granting the use of the bells, Mr. H. F. Dawkins for making arrangemission to ring, and also the steeplekeepers for having everything thing in readiness.

## SHREWSBURY RINGERS VISIT LIVERPOOL.

The members of St. Chad's Society, Shrewsbury, visited Liverpool for their annual outing, and spent a very enjoyable day. They were met at the landing stage station by Mr. Caunce, who had very kindly arranged for the use of the bells at Aughton Church, which is about ten miles out of Liverpool, for a peal attempt which, however, unfortunately came to grief after 1 hr .5 mins. good ringing, the method being Stcdman Triples. The band meeting one short, the racancy was filled by Mr. Gardiner, of the local company. Some of the members who were not in the attempt, risited the exhibition at New Brighton and other places of interest in the neighbourhood. The rest of the day was filled up by viewing the splendid decorations and illuminations which had been prepared for the Royal visit. The ringers wish to thank, through the "IRinging World," the Vicar of Aughton Church for the use of the bells; Mr. Caunce for standing in the attempt and arranging for the bells and acting as guide through the day; and Mr. Gardiner for filling up the vacancy at such short notice.

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| Grandsire Major | 2 |  |
| Grandsire Caters | 51 | 1 |
| Grandsire Cinques | 1 |  |
| Stedman Triples | 91 |  |
| Stedman Caters | 82 |  |
| Stedman Cinques | 1 |  |
| Kent Treble Bob Major | 6 |  |
| Kent Treble Bob Royal | 3 |  |
| Kent Treble Bob Maximus | 3 |  |
| Oxford Treble Bob Major | 8 | 1 |
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| Forward Major | 1 |  |
| Forward Royal | 1 |  |
| Duffield Major | 1 |  |
| Double Norwich Court Bob Major | 27 |  |
| Double Norwich Count Bob Caters ........ | 1 |  |
| Waterloo Reverse Bob Major | 1 |  |
| Superlative Surprise Major | 12 |  |
| Cambridge Surprise Major | 10 |  |
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HANDSWORTH, STAFFS.-On June 3rd, at the Parish Church, 1008 Grandsire Triples: S. Danby 1, E. Starkey (longest length with a bob bell) 2, W. G. Ellis (conductor) 3, T. Westwood 4, R. Taux 5, C. Starkey 6, T. Verry 7, R. Speakman 8. Rung in houour of the King's birthday.

ASTON, BIRMINGHAM.-On June 1st, at the Parish Church, for evening serrice, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 43 mins.: J. Jones 1, *W. H. Jones 2, *A. Jones 3, M. J. Morris 4, J. Corrigan 5, W. Davis 6, W. G. Ellis (conductor) 7, C. Allen 8. * First quarter-peal of Stelman.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## SUGGESTED QUARTERLY MEETINGS FOR MANCHESTER

 BRANCH.The members of the Manchester branch met on Saturday last at the Old Parish Church of Radcliffe. Manchester, Pendleton, Oldham, Ashton-under-Lyne, etc., were represented, and after a little ringing, the members, at the kind invitation of the Rector (the Rev. R. LaversKemp), adjourned to the Schoolroom, where a substantial meat tea was provided for them. Afterwards the Rector kindly presided over the browiness meeting, and weloomed the ringers to Radcliffe, knowing that they, along with the choir, wardens and other lay helpers, were workers together with God for His glory and good of the church. He hoped in the near future that several alterations wouk be mado in the tower to the advantage of the ringers.

Four members of the Radeliffe company were elected members of the Association, Messr's. W. H. Baines, J. Rothwell, W. Emerson and F. Emerson.

A discussion took place as to the advisability of admitting the Ladies' Guild to the Central Council. The meeting was of opinion that the matter should again be brought up at some subseguent meeting so that the delegates would know how to rote at the next Council meeting.

A suggestion was also made with regard to the monthly meetings. it being thought advisable that a tower should be chosen in Manchester (it being the centre of the branch), where members could meet with easy facility and have the opportunity of practising the higher methods.
It was also suggested that the meetings should be guarterly instead of monthly as at present. This matter will come up for further consideration at the next meeting, which will be held at Worsley.

A hearty rote of thanks was given to the Rector for the use of the bells, and for providing tea; and also to the local ringers and the ladies who looked after the members' wants. -The ringers then adjourned to the church, where further ringing was indulged in.

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

BIDSTON,-At the Parish Church, on May 14th, 720 Killamareb Minor: J. Griffiths 1, C. E. Wilcox 2, H. Rogers 3, C. Rinmer 4, W. Wiloox (conductor) 5, S. Wood 6. First 720 in the method by all the band, and fist by the Wirral branch of the Chester Diocesan Guild.

SELSTON, NOTTS.-On May 25 th, for morning service. 720 Bob Minor (with 40 singles), in 25 mins.: T. Wharmlay 1, W. J. Sevier 2, A. Elliott 3, C. Cottam 4, T. H. C. Hand 5, W. Wharmles (conductor) 6. For the evening service, 720 Bob Minor in 26 mins .
LYANNGTON, HANTS.-At St. Thomas Church, ou Way 13th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. : E. Kerley 1, J. Figgures 2, J. Wilkins 3, S. Glarke 4, E. C. Elliott (conductor) 5, G. Arnold 6, C. Morris 7, *F. Knewitz 8. * First quarter. Rung as a wedding compliment to C. Morris, who was married on the previous day
SWANBOURNE, BUCKS.-On May 24th, at St. Swithin's Church, 720 York Surprise: H. Sear 1, H. C. Edwards 2, E. Yates 3, A. J. Green 4. T. C. Tompkins 5, C. A. Valentine (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method by all and believed to be the first by the Guild. Also 720 of Cambridge Surprise: F. C. Edwards 1, H. Sear (first in the method) 2. C. A. Valentine 3, A. G. Green 4, T. C. Tompkins 5, E. Yates (conductor) 6.

BRIDGEND, GLAMORGANSHIRE.-At St. Illtyd's Church, on May 24th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 45 mins.: R. Gregory 1, R. Fvans 2, J. Evans 3, J. Cox 4, W. Smith 5, D. R. James 6, B. Thorpe (conductor) 7, J. Skyes 8. Rung after an attempt for a peal of Stedman, which came to grief after 50 minutes ringing.
WAI_LASEY. - On June 1st, at St. Nicholas' Church, 720 St. Clemeat's Bob: D. Joynson 1, E. A. Webster 2, A. Sparks 3, J. A. Webster 4, T. Rogers 5, J. R. Griffin (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method on the bells, and for all the band
GREAT YARMOUTH.-On May 26th, 774 Grandsire Caters: R. Christian 1, G. Clayton 2. C. Harding 3, W. Blyth 4, D. Hayward (conductor) 5, II. W. Needham (Leicester) 6, I. Wright 7, W. Lee 8, F. Pestell 9. H. Hammond 10.

GORLESTON-ON゙-SFA.-On May 31st, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: II. Wright 1, R. Christian 2, A. Webber 3, F. W. Needham (Leicester) 4. D. Tayward (condwetor) 5, W. Lee 6. Rung as a birthday compliment to H. W. Needham.

BATII.-At St. Mary's Church, on May 25th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 40 mins.: E. Alexander 1, M. Whatley 2, A. Alexander 3, F. C. Rich 4, T. Hogsflesh 5, C. Densley 6, R. J. Cousine (conductor) 7, H. Davis 8.
I'ROWBRIDGE WTITS.-At the Parish Church, on Sunday, June 1st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. W. Ma'Caffrey 1 , 6. K. Harrison 2, J. Francis 3, F. C. Rich 4, S. J. Hector 5, C. Raison 6, R. J. Consins 7. W. Baxter 8.
ENT,TON, -At Sc. Peter and Paul's Church, on May 25 th, 720 Grandsire Doubles: F. Silver 1, J. Hollandl (conductor) 2, L. E. Mears (first 720 Donbles) 3, H. Thorpe (Grantham) 4, F. J. Craddock 5. Rung as a farewell to Mr. Francis Craddock, who has sinca sailed for Canada
LONDON, - At St. Botolnh's, Bishonsgate.-A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: *W. J. Nelder 1, F. Andrews 2. Rev. J. A. S. Pullock 3. F. Franks 4. T. Walker 5. H. Hills 6, J. Puplett (conductor) 7, *W. Arnold 8. *First quarter-peal.

## NOTICES.

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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -Established 1637 .-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lover Thames Street, on August r4th and 28 th ; at St. John's, Hackney, on August 5 th and Igth; St. Giles', Cripplegate, on August 5 th ; Southwark Cathedral on August i2th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on August Igth; St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus 7.30, the others 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.--Rochdale Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Rochdale Parish Church on Saturday, August 2nd, igi3. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.-Joseph Ogden, Branch Secretary, 135 , Salts Street, Shaw, Oldham.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.The next quarterly meeting will be held at Pendoylan on Saturday, August 2nd, at 4.30.-Rev. Connop L. Price and John W. Jones, Honorary Secretaries.

THE SHEFFIELI IISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMIALGAMATED SOCIETY.-The next meeting of this Society will be held on Saturday, August 2nd, at Beighton. Church of St. Mary ( 6 bells, tenor 9 cwt.) available 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.-J. F. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Henfield Branch.-The bells of the above tower (which have recently been recast and rehung) have kindly been placed at the disposal of the association on August Bank Holiday, and all members of the association will be heartily welcome. Tower open from 3 till 9 . Short service at 6 . Tea in Parish Room at 5.

PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIA-TION.-The annual meeting of the above will be held at Peterborough on Morday, August 4th. Bells available: Cathedral (5), St. Mary's (6), St. John's (8). Service at St. John's at 4 p.m. 'Tea and business meeting after at the Bedford Temperance Hotel. Usual reduction to those notifying secretary early.-F. T. Cooke, Honorary Secretary, 195, Gladstone Street, Peterborough.

THE WINCIESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Yorktown District. - The annual all day meeting will be held on August Bank Holiday. Ringing at Hersham io a.m., Walton i2 a.m., Oatlands Park 2.30 p.m., Chertsey 4.30 p.m. Tea at the Church Hall, Chertsey, at 6 p.m. All ringers will be gladly welcomed.-G. B. Fdser, īo, Gipsy Road, S.E.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Middlesbrough on Bank Moliday, Mondav, August 4th, Igi3. The bells of the Parish Church of St. Hilda will be available for ringing from I p.m. Tea (on the tables at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.) will be provided at Bucks (Clifton Hotel). Members 6d., nonmembers is. 6d. Members and friends are cordially invited to attend this meeting.-T. Metcalfe, THonorary Secretary, 26, High Strect, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The summer festival will be held at Woburn on Monday, August 4 th. Tea in the Town Hall at 5 p.m. Service at 6.p.m. Preacher, the Rev. C. R. Dickinson. Woburn bells (8)
will be available from in a.m. to 9 p.m., and the Husborne Crawley bells (6) after the service.-A. Rust, Honorary Secretary.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.-On Bank Holiday, Monday, August 4th, the tower of St. Mary's Church will be open for ringing from 2.30 to 9 p.m.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at Westhoughton, on Saturday, August 9th. Bells available all the afternoon. Business meeting at 7 p.m.-G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late The St. James' Society, Established 1824).-Southern District. -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, August ${ }_{16 t h}$, at All Saints', Isleworth. Tower open from 5 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.; business meeting to follow, all ringers and friends invited.-F. A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.

The Secretary of the Ringers of S. Mary's, Dover, is Mr. H. C. Saywell, to whom all communications respecting the bells should be addressed.

PEAL BOOǨS.-Price 3s. 6d., post free, 300 pages. The first peal written in (with weather-proof ink) free of charge, if particulars of same are enclosed with order. 1. Beams, Fir Tree Road, Banstead, Epsom, Surrey.

## DEATH.

THOMPSON.-On July 23 rd (suddenly), at West Norwood, Frederick John, eldest son of the late George Thompson, of Cavendish, Suffolk, aged 76 years.

## HOLIDAY APARTMENTS.

Having frequently had inquiries from ringers for information as to other members of the Exercise who have holiday apartments to let, we offer the use of our columns to those who cater for visitors at seaside and other resorts. Terms for insertion will be sent on application.

VISITORS TO BLACKPOOL will find every convenience at Mrs. E. Howarth's, I4, May Bell Avenue, Springfield Road, Blackpool, N.S.

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VISITORS TO BRISTOL will find every convenience and moderate charges at Mrs. Walker's, Admiral Duncan, Nicholas Street, Bristol, Headquarters of the Bristol Ringers.

EASTON NESTON.-Northants.-On May 25th,
Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: James Slarke 1, C. S. Faulkner 2, G. Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: James Slarke 1, C. S. Faulkner 2, G. Beesley 3, T. Law 4, C. Slarke 5, J. W. Unwin 6, J. W. Sharp (conductor) 7, F. Dickens (first quarter-peal) 8.-On Sunday, June 1st, 720 Double Court: J. Slarke 1, C. Slarke 2, G. Beesiey 3, J. WV. Unwin 4, C. Faulkner 5, J. W. Sharp (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method by the local band.

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## FUNDS FOR BELL RESTORATION.

Our article last week, with its suggested appeal to Mr . Carnegie to place some portion of his recent munificent gift of two million pounds for public libraries, Church organs, and " other objects," a"t the disposal of the Dunfirmline trustees for the restoration of Church bells, has aroused interest in many places, and for the most part has met with approval. A correspondent this week backs up the proposal, although, drawing upon his own experience, he fears such an appeal may have little result. It is, of course, possible that where an individual application may have failed, collective action might be differently received. Doubtless, Mr. Carnegie is inundated with appeals for help for a great variety of objects, deserving and otherwise, and the only hope for success in such a matter as this, is to be able to advance the claims of the bells as a whole. There are scores of parishes where there is serious need for restoration and where the hope of raising sufficient funds, parochially, is out of the question. Whether the cause is one that would be likely to commend itself to Mr . Carnegie remains to be seen, but if we are to know his feelings in the matter he must be approached by a responsible body. Appeals for help are constantly being made to the Exercise at large, and the Exercise through its representative Council must take the matter up if anyone does.

As an illustration of how badly help is needed in many parishes one has only to turn to the pages of recent issues of this journal to find numerous appeals. Last week there was one from Gloucestershire. This week we have one from Essex. Rayne, a little agricultural parish, is making an effort to put its five bells in order and to add another. This is at a cost of $£ 65$, but there, is in addition, important restoration needed for the fabric of the church, which will cost $£ 300$, and in a place with a population of less than 400 it is practically impossible to raise such a sum. A direct appeal has been made to every tower in union with the Essex Association, and now those responsible desire to approach the wider circle of ringers beyond the confines of the county. It is hoped that those towers who have the advantage of rings of bells in good going order will give their assistance. Every little helps, and ringers need not hesitate to send their mite just because it is small. This is a case in which, by united effort, much might be done, and we commend the appeal to our readers. Speaking generally, we feel that those who enjoy ringing the bells might, perhaps, do more than they actually do now in supporting restoration schemes. Ringers as a class are not wealthy, but it is the "mickle" that makes the " ruckle," and the Associations, by a little organization, might raise more than they do at present for the useful object of restoration.

## CHARLES CARR,



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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

BIRMINGHAM.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Monday, Auglist 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;
Tenor 36 cwt ., in C.

| James E. Groves | $\ldots$ | ... Tveble | Alered Davies | $\ldots$ | .. | 7 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Short... | .. | $\ldots$ | 2 | William Fisher | $\ldots$ | .. | 8 |

 Arthur Chambers ... ... 4 Samuel Grove ... ... io John Neal ... ... ..... $.5 \quad 5$ James George ... Joseph Pigott ... ... ... 6 James H. Shepherd ...Tenot Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by Samuel Grove.

First peal of Stedman Cinques for the above Association. W. Short's 6ooth peal.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES; Tenor zo cwt.
James Motts ... ... ...Treble William Rose ... ... 6 Albert Jenkins ... ... ... 2 Robert H. Brondle ... 7 Walter Radley ... ... 3 James Betts ... ... ... 8 Robert H. Hayward ... 4 Edward Evans... ... ... 9 Hobart E. Smith ... ... 5 George E. Symonds ...Tenor Composed by D. Prentice, and Conducted by J. Motis.

GREAT YARMOUTH.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Theve Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
a peal of kent treble bob royal, 5080 changes; Tenor 30 cwt .
George Howchin ... ...Treble ${ }^{\text {I }}$ Ernest S. Bailey ... ... 6
Albert G. Warnes ... 2 James M. Bailey ... ...
-George H. Cross ... ... 3 Fredk. J. Howchin... ... 8
Edgar H. Bailey ... ... 4 William Steele ... ... 9
*William J. Rogers ... 5 * Charles F. Bailey ...Tenor Composed by York Green, and Conducted by F. J. Howchin.

- First peal of Royal. First peal of Royal as conductor.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HEENE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Botolph,
a PEAL OF StEDMAN TRIPLES; 5040 Chances;
Thurstans' Four-Part.
Tenor 12 cwt.
J. Paice ... ... ... ...Treble H. Tulleti ... ... ... 5 W. Hillman ... ... ... 2 A. Arnell... ... ... ... 6 H. Lee... ... ... ... ... 3 E. H. Lindup ... ... ... 7
 Conducted by E. H. Lindup.
Messrs. Lee and Booker are members of the Heene band.
DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, July 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHAHGES ;
Tenor rgis cwt, in E flat.
George Wightman ... ...Treble William Wightman ... 5 Leslie C. Wightman ... 2 Alfred S. Wightman ... 6 George A. Wightman ... 3 Peter Laflin... ... ... 7 Ernest E. Grimes ... ... 4 William C. Rumsey ...Tenor Composed by Joserh W. Parker, and Conducted by George Wightman.
Rung to oblige Ernest E. Grimes, of Haggerston, and Peter Laflin, of West Bergholt.

## PORTSMOUTH

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, July 30, 1913, in Three Honrs and Twenty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Thomas 'a Beckett,
a PEAL of stedman triples, 5040 changes ;
Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor $25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
 Frederick Bornett ...
Josiah D. Harris
Jo. Conducted by George Williams.
Mr. Humfrey, of Abingdon, Berks, who was spending a holiday in Portsmouth, was elected a member before starting the peal.

## LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (Late the St. James' Society.) On Wednesday, July 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Churgh of St. John, Waterloo Road, S.E.,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE bOB MAJOR, 5088 Changes; Tenor 20 cwt .
Ernest E. Grimes ... ...Treble Richard N. Runham ... 5 Edwin F. Pike ... ... ... 2 Ernest Brett ... ... 6 Alfred W. Grimes ... ... 3 John H. B. Hesse... ... 7 James Hunt... ... ... ... 4 Alfred B. Peck ... ...Tenoy Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by W. Alfred W. Grimes.

HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, July 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At ihe Church of the Holy Trinity,
a PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
John T. Rickman ... ...Treble John Capp... ... ... ... 5 Arthor W. Gravett ... 2 Charles T. Coles ... ... 6 *Frederick C. Rice … 3 Keith Hart... William J. Aliss ... ... 4 William Stenning... ...Teror Conducted by Charles T. Coles.

- First peal of Stedman, and was elected a member prior to starting

BANGOR, CARNARVONSHIRE.
THE NOR'TH WALES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, July 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,
At the Church of St. David,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor $13 \frac{7}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$., in F sharp.

| William Crane, Sent. | $\ldots$ Treble | James H. Midwinter | .. | 5 |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William | T. Pegler ... | $\cdots$. | 2 | David Taylor... | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 6 |
| Willam Crane, Junr. | $\cdots$ | 3 | Gborge F. Swann... | $\cdots$ | 7 |  |  | Arthor E. Pegler ... ... 4 John Ward ... ... ...Tenor

Conducted by George F. Swann.
This peal was arranged for G. F. Swann, of Erdington, who was elected a member previous to starting.

SMETHWICK, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Thursday, July 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Old Church,
A PEAL OF DXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; J. J. Parker's Six-Part.
 M. Astbury, daughter of Canon Astbury (the Vicar), and Mr. Geo. B. Rawlins.

MARDEN, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes. At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;



| Tom Saunders | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. | ... | 2 | Phillip Hodgkin | .. | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| David Hodgkin | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | .. | 3 | George Hadaway... | $\ldots$ | 7 |  |

Leonard Startop...$\quad$... 4 Charles H . Sone ... ... Teror
Composed by John Howes, and
Conducted by Charles H. Sone.

## HOLBECK, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mathew,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Heywood's Transposition.
Alfred Naylor... ... ...Tveble
Percy J. Johnson ... ... 2
John B. Jackson … ... 3
William B. Smith ... ... 4

Tenor I6 cwt.
Wilitam Woodhead … 5 Frederick W. Dixon ... 5 Francis Woodhead ... 7 Francis Barker ... ...Tenor
Conducted by Frederick W. Dixon
Rung on the occasion of the wedding of William, son of Francis Woodhead, to Margaret Atha.

## CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(Sheffield District Society.)
On Saturday, August 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Mary and All Salnts,

## A PEAL OF Stedman triples, 5040 Chances;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Alfred C. Wright ... ...Treble
Herbert Day ... ... ... 2
Fred Davies ... ... ... 3 Thomas W. Gore ... ... 6
Arthur Knights ... ... 4 Benjamis al Knights ... 7
Conducted by Benjamin A. Knights.

## TROWBRIDGE, WILTS.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, August 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 24 cwt .

Lodis A. Wilson ... ...Treble Samoel J. Hector ... ... 5 | Gilbert H. Harding | .. | 2 | Henry W. L. Wells | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William G. Lancaster... | 3 | Sydey Hillier | $\ldots$ | .. | 7 | Charles J. Gardner ... 4 Ernest Bishop... ... ... Tenoy Composed by H. J. Tocker, and Conducted by Ervest Bishop.

L. A. Wilson hails from Wootton Bassett, W. G. Lancaster from Stratton St. Margaret, S. Hillier from Devizes, C. J. Gardner, H. Wells and E. Bishop from Swindon. G. H. Harding and S. J. Hector are local men.

WIDNES, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-mine Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Padl,

## A PEAL OF BOE MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

 Tenor iot cwt., in GHerbert Ashton .. ...Tveble | George R. Newton
Robert Leather
... ... 2 George Clew ... ... 6
Miss Nellie Gillingham 4 Frederick J. Hancock ....Tenor
Composed by George Williams, and Conducted by F. J. Hancock.
This is the first peal by the Association and in the county in which a lady has taken part. The calling of this peal is No, 26 in the Central Council Collection.

## LEATHERHEAD, SURREY.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Saturday, August 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of SS. Mary and Nicholas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCE ;
Rev. H. Earle Bulwer's Irregular Ten-Part. Tenor 20 cwt .
Alfred H. Winch ... ...Treble $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll}\text { Richard Bevan } & \text {... }\end{array}\right.$... 5
Alfred. H. Pelling... ... 2 Septimus Radford... ... 6
Framk I. Halrs ... ... ... 3 Arthur Dean ... ... ... 7 John D. Matthews ... ... 4 Arthur C. Otway ... ...Tenor Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.

BOUGHTON-UNDER-BLEAN, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, at the Churce of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF GRAhDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES I
Parier's Six-Part.

| Th | ...Treble | Ernest L. Burg |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Edward Trendell ... |  | Alfred T. W. Bones |  |
| Edward E. Forema |  | Horace Gilbert |  | †Clarence Smith ... ... 4 *Percy Spillett ... ...Tenor Conducted by E. Trendell.

- First peal. $\dagger$ First peal with a bob bell. P. Spillett was elected a member of the Association before commencing the peal.


## KELSALE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-tzo Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF KENT TREbLE bOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;
Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.


## WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Saturday, August 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Abbey Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES:
Tenor 19 cwt.
George B. Lucas ... ...Tyeble George H. Barker ... 5
Miss Edith K. Parker ... 2 Wilby J. Hazell ... ... 6
George A. Smith
John H. Benstead ... ... 4 George Paice ... ... ...Tenor
Composed by C. H. Hattersley, and
Conducted by Miss E. K. Parker.
Arranged for Mr. G. A. Smith, of Tunstall.

## CAMBRIDGE

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew the Great,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE bOB MAJOR, 5152 ChAMGES;
Tenor r2 cwt., in A.
*J. Brece Williamson ...Treble! Percy Taylor William B. Kemptoy

 | *Abraham Wilkerson |
| :--- |
| Frank E. Kempton |

 Composed and Conducted by F. Dench,

* First peal on eight bells.


## CAERPHILLY, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Taylor's.

John W. Jones ... ... ...Treble
William B. Brss ... ... 2 *George Cook ... ... ... 5
Benjamin Thorp......$\quad$... 3 *William Kathro ... ... 7
William Page ... ... 4 *Sydney Essex ... ... ...Tenow Conducted by Benjamin Thorp.

* First peal and members of the local company.


## CLARE, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Trvelve Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
a PEAL OF KENT TREBLE bOB MAJOR, 5184 Chances; Tenor 28 cwt .
Robert Brett-Smith ...Tyeble Albert Catterwell ... 5
William Wiffen ... ... 2 *Frederick A. Podlson ... 6
Arthur Symonds ... ... 3 *George More ... ... ... 7
William R. J. Poulson... 4 Thos. Groombridge, Sent. Tenor Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by Thomas Groombridge.

- First peal in the Kent variation,

BROUGHTON-IN-FURNESS, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Furness and Lake District Branch.)
On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.

Tenor io cwt.
John Braithwaite ... ...Treble Alfred Neivion ... ... 2
Williak Atkinson ...
John Horme
... ... ... 4
Conducted by Wilifam Robinson.
First peal on the bells.

## SIX 8 FIVE BELL PEALS.

GORLESTON-ON-SEA, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, July 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF BOE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

 Being seven 720's, each called differently.Robert Christiay ... ...Treble Denison Hayward | George Orford...... | $\ldots$. | 2 | John Bails $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alfred | G. Bennington... | 3 | Arthur J. Crove | $\qquad$ Alfred G. Benningron... 3 Conducted by George Orford.

A. Bennington hails from Greenwich. This peal was rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Thomas Faulkner, Master of the College Youths, to Miss Mary E. Bacey, with all good wishes for their health and happiness.

HEYDON, CAMBS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, July 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,
At the Parish Сhurch,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of $I_{4}$ Six-Scores of Oxford Single, $I_{4}$ of Grandsire, and I4 of Plain Bob.
William Peachey
Walter Mansfield ...
.Treble Tenor 6 cwt .
Robert Howard
Robert G. 2 L. George Mallion ... 4 Conducted by IR. Howard.
This is the first peal on the bells. L. G. Mallion, who was elected a member before starting, hails from Fen Ditton, R. G. King from Royston, the rest from Barley.
ALLESLEY, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Monday, July 28, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,
$A$ PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Consisting of seven $720^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$, each called differently. Tenor r 2 cwt . - Charles Aylett ... ...Tyeble Major Harris ... ... ... 4 Herbert H. Hastings... 2 George H. Kettle... ... 5 Adolphos Roberts... ... 3 †William Fi. Bronsdon... Tenor Conducted by W. H. Bronsdon.

* First peal of Minor. † First peal of Minor as conductor. This peal was rung on the 50 th anniversary of the induction of the Venerable Archdeacon Bree, D.D., to the Rectory of Allesley.


## LEYTONSTONE.

THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, July 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. John Baptist,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE HINOR, 5040 CHANGE ;

Being 720 each of Cambridge, Ipswich, Lincoln, London, Wells, York and Durham. Tenor 14 cwt.
Arthor J. Neal... ... ...Treble William H. Theobald... 4 George A. Black ... ... 2 William Milier ... ... 5 George Daivson... ... ... 3 Harry Torble... ... ...Tenor Conducted by William Miller.
The two former methods belong to Class III, to rest to Class IV.

## NORTHBOURNE, K゙ENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, August 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Augustine,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each pf Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure and Oxford Bob, and two 720's Plain Bob. Tenor $7 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
†Ernest W. Verrier ...Tyeble | †John Trinder ... ... ... 4 Lce.-Sergt. F. A. Holden 2 *W. Smith ... ... ... ... 5 *John Cornford ... ... 3 | †Henry C. Castle ... ...Tenor Conducted by F. A. Holden.
*First peal of Minor, $\dagger$ First peal of Minor in six methods; Arranged for J. Cornford who was elected a. member at Upper Deal on the occasion of an unsuccessful attempt for a peal on 25 th ult.

## NORBURY, CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Bowdon and Stockport Branch.)
On Satuyday, August 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF 4th's PLAGE DELIGHT MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Braintree, Neasden, College Bob IV, Wragby, Old Oxford, Bocking and Willesden. Tenor 9 cwt.
Alfred Barnes ... ... ...Treble John W. Hartley... ... 4 William Fernley ... ... 2 James Fernley ... ... 5 Rev. A. T. Beeston... ... 3 Allen S. Gordon .... ....Tenor Conducted by Rev. A. T. Beeston.

## GORLESTON-ON-SEA, SUFFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 2, 1913, in Tüo Hours and Fifty-cight Minutes,A PEAL OF BOB RINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently.

 Conducted by George Orford. Arranged for Frederick Kilborn, who hails from Desborough.

FULBOURN, CAMBS.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Vigors and All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGE ;

Consisting of 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court and Plain Bob, and two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor i3 cwt., in G.
Edmond Webb ... ... ...Tveble | William Scotcher... ... 4 T. Reginald Dennis ... 2 Ernest G. Hibbins ... 5 William D. James ... ... 3 | Basil D. Buttress... ... Tenor Conducted by B. D. Butrress.

STOKE EDITH, HEREFORDSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor $I_{4}$ cwt. 2 qr. $I_{4}$ lbs.
Charles Powell ... ...Tyeble Charles Weobley... ... 4 Andrew Layton ..... .22 E. William Turner $\quad . .$. Charles Layton ....... 3 | George Jordon ... ...Tenor Conducted by Charles Layton.
The ringers wish, through the " Ringing World," to thank the Rev. - Onslow for the use of the bells.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, July 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes, In the Belfry of Holy Trinity Church,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Size 21 , in $D$.
Septimus Radeord... ... I -2 $\mathrm{A}^{2}$ Alfred H. Pulling ... 5-6
Willoughsy E. Maulden 3-4 Frank Blondell.... ... 7-8
Composed by J. E. Burios, and
Conducted by Alfred H. Polling.

The following peals were rung by the Middlesex Association during a visit to Cambridgeshire.

## LONG STANTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Saturday, August 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes. At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES; Tenor $7 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.
Bretram Prewett ... ...Tveble| Alfred W. Grimes ... 5

George R. Pye ... ... 4 Ernest Pye ... ... .... Tenor Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by Bertram Prewett.
First peal of Major on the bells.

## CAMBRIDGE

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, August 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Türnty-one Minutes, At Pembroke College,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Bertram Prewett ... i-2 | Ernest Pye ... ... ... 7 - 8
 George R. Pye ... ... 5-6 | Alfred W. Grimes ... if-it Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by William Pye.

Umpire: W. Nodos.

* First peal of Cinques on handbells. First peal of Stedman Cinques on handbells in the county.

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CAMBRIDGE, <br> THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD <br> On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Three Hourrs and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary the Great, <br> a peal of cambridge surprise maximus, 5280 changes <br> <br> Tenor 28 cwt . <br> <br> Tenor 28 cwt . <br> 

* First peal of Cambridge Maximus. First peal of Cambridge Maximus in the county. Rung on the silver wedding of the Master of Trinity College. J. S. Goldsmith's 250 th peal.

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## Tenor 28 cwt



Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by John H. Cheesman.
W. D. James' rooth peal

## HUNTINGDON.

THE ELY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, August 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes, at the Chorch of St. Mary,
A Peal df superlative surprise major, 5088 Changes; Tenor 17 cwi .

J. Bruce Williamson ...Treble Alfred W. Grimes... Rev. A. H. F. Bocghey Arthur C. Chaplin.. | 2 |
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| 4 |

William D. James Charles T. Coles 5
6 Ernest Pye
Keith Hart

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Composed by N. J. Pitstow, and
Conducted by Keirn Hart.
First peal of Surprise in the county of Huntingdon, and first peal of Superlative by the Association. Messrs. Grimes, Pye and Hart were elected members prior to starting.

The peal of Superlative rung at Pendleton on July 28th was 5.152 and not 5,088 changes as reported
BARRINGTON, CAMBS.--On May 24th, an attempt for a peal of Minor failed owing to a change course in London Surprise, after ringing 720 of Normich Surprise. A second attempt also failed, after ringing 720 each of London Surprise, Norwich Surprise, and Duke of York Tieble Bob. This was the first, time that London and Norwch Surprise were rung in Cambridgeshire. The ringers were: P. Webb Irckleton) 1, E. Bonnett (Royston) 2, W. L. Darlow (Royston) 3, R. Wilkerson (Royston) 4, A. Wilkerson (Cambridge) 5, R. G. King, conductor (Royston) 6.
ROYSTON.-On Sunday, on May 25th, at the Parish Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob: A. E. Austin 1, R. G. King 2, E. Bonnett 3, A. Gilbert 4, W. L. Darlow 5, S. E. Roberts (conductor) 6.
STAPLEFORD.-At the Parish Church, on May 31st, an attempt for a peal of Minor failed after ringing 720 Woodbine Treble Bob: A. E. Austin 1, P. Webb 2, L. G. Mallion 3, W. D. James 4, R. G. King 5, A. Wilkerson (conductor) 6. A second attempt also failed owing to a change course in Double Oxford, after ringing 720 each of Woodbine Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob: A. E. Austin 1, $P$, Webb 2, L. G. Mallion 3, W. D. James (conductor) 4, A. Wilkerson 5 , R. G. King 6
WISBECH-On June 8th, 720 Bob Minor, $7-8$ covering: G. Duffield 1, S. Andrews (conductor) 2, H. A. Piggins 3, G. E. Piggins 4, T. Haines 5, R. Narborough 6, H. Cheesewright 7, 'G. Yate (first 720) 8.On May 22 nd, 720 Bob Minor, on handbells; and on June 10th, 720 Bob Minor: S. Andrew, $1-2$, T. Haines 3-4, R. Narborough (conductor)
$5-6 .-$ On June 12th, 720 Bob Minor, on handbells: ${ }^{*}$ G. Yate 1, A. W. 5-6.-On June 12th, 720 Bob Minor, on handbells: *G. Yate 1, A. W.
Wenlock 2, S. Andrews 3-4, R. Narborough (conductor) 5-6.-* First 720 on a working bell.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOGEATION.
The quarterly mecting of the Swindon branch of thiss association was held at Christian Malford on Saturday week, and proved the most successful the branch has yet held, so far as attendance is concerned. Ringers were present from Swindon, Wootton Bassetl, Stratton St Margaret, Chippenham and the neighbouring villages, and about 35 sat down to tea, kinclly provided by the Rev. Canon Weight, to whom a hearty vote of thanks was accorded, on the proposition of the Chairman of the branch, Mr. E. Bishop, and seconded by the Secretary, Mr. R. W. Hyner.
The weather was delightful, although very hot, and the beauties of the well-wooded district were thoroughly appreciated. Many of the ringers brought their cycles into use, with the result that an energetio afternoon's mission work was done, and change ringing was heard for the first time in somowhat remote towers. To begin with a party of six started from Swindon, and rode 13 miles to Dauntsey, where permission to ring was readily granted by the Rev. A. Law. The bells, a ring of five, tenor about 16 cwt., had not been rung since Christmas, and consequently the going was on the heavy side, and 120 Grandsire Doubles and several 24's were rung for the first timo on tho bells. A move was then made for the placo of meeting, and the first 720 of Minor on the bells was accomplished under numerous difficulties by A. Lawrence 1, L. A. Wilson 2, R. W. Hyner 3, J. H. Shepherd 4, C J. Gardner 5, E. Bishop (conductor) 6.
After tea the business meeting was held under the presidency of the Rector. The objects of the association were briefly outlined by Mr. Bishop, who suggested that the bellhanger should be called in, and the brighat, musical ring of six, by Ruchall, put in a condition worthy of the bells and tower, and further that if the funds permitted two trebles would be a splendid addition. -I'lie Rector lent sympathetic ear to the suggestions, and mentionod how pleased ho was to receive a visit from the association
Grittleton was selected as the place of the next mocting in September.
Sutton Benger was then visitcd, and the recently rehung five were set going to Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, and Singles. The cyeling hosts of Swindon, Wootton Bassett and Straton St. Margaret then turned their faces for home via Brinkworth, surely one of the most favoured villages so far as position and the beauty of the surrounding country are concerned. The Rector, Canon IR. G. Livingstone, was interviewed, and readily gave permission for the bells to be rung. After clever scouting by Mr. Shepherd, the sexton was "rounded up," and promptly delivered the keys to the triumphant scout who scented another tower to add to his already long list. The bells, a ring of five in E flat, were a revelation to the visitors, who had no iden there was such a glorious peal, untried, so near home. Six-score of Grandsirc Doubles was brought round in excellent style, and supposed to be the first on the bells.

Thus encled a most enjoyable afternoon and evening, and the energetic J. H. S. was well pleased in being able to add four towers to his list.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting of the Rochdale branch of the Lancashire Association was held on Saturday at Rochdale. Parish Church, there being a rery good attendance of members. At the business meeting some discussion took place on the subject of ladies' representation on the Central Council, and the rote went in favour of the ladies when they get the requisite membership.-A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr. J. II. Bastow for his services as late secretary, the opinion being expressed that he had carried out his duties in a very capable manner.-It was also diac ded that the secretary should send a letter of condolence to the widow of the late Mr. Zebulon Lord, who in years gone by, had been a good and faithful servant to the Asso-ciation.-It was decided to hold the next meeting at Oldham on the second Saturday in September, at which meeting there will be an election of president and secretary. - A rote of thanks to the church authorities and to the chairman, Mr. W. Crabtrce, brought the business meeting to a close.-The methods rung during the day were Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kcnt Treble Bob Najor and Oxford Minor.

## AN ESSEX APPEAL. To the Editor

Dear Sir,-The bells of our Parish Church have for some considerable time been in an unsatisfactory condition, and it has been decided to re-hang and quarter turn the ring of five bells, strengthen the frame, etc., and add a new treble to make a ring of six. An order has been placed with Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich, to execute the work at a cost of £65.
The scheme has the approval and warm support of the rector, church wardens and parishionors, but as we are a small agricultural parish, and other necessary additions and improvements to the church are to be carried out at the same time at an estimaterl cost of $£ 300$, it is impossible for the whole of the money to bo raised in the parish. At a meeting of parishioners we were electcd a committee for the purpose of raising funds for the bell restoration, and respectfully ask you to bring our appeal before the readers of your valuable paper feeling sure they will give us what assistanco they can. The smallest contribution will be most gratefully received.
B. RIDGEWELL, L. RICIIARDSON, G. BARNARD, W. TURNER,
J. CLAYDEN, Ringers of Rayne Parish Church.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

## THE ANNUAL FESTIVAL.

The 26th annual festival of the Chester Guild was held at St. George's, Stockport, on Saturday week. Owing to the close proximity of the Borough Cemetery ringing could not be indulged in until the interments had taken place, but it was found possible to ring a few short touches before service, which commenced at 3.45 p.m. The service was attended by upwards of 100 ringers and friends, and was fully choral. The Rev. J. H. Thorpe, B.D., Vicar of St. George's, Stockport, conducted the service, the Rev. H. J. Elsee, M.A., Vicar of St. Gcorge's, Boltom, andi President of the Lancashire Association, being the preacher. He took for his text Acts xxix. 35, "Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said it is more blessed to give than to receive.
In the course of his address the preacher said that the pords of the text summed up the spirit of the teaching of the whole life of our Lord, who gave Himself for others. His whole message on earth was in giring of His best for the service of men, a giving without stint, and that life was crownedl with the greatest self-sacrifice of all when He gave himself upon the Cross. He did not know that he could take text that would bo more fitting in that glorious church, because that was one of the noblest gifts that had been made in recent years the diocese. It stood as a great and magnificent offering of one who would give of his bast for Christ's service. The preacher continned that ho was speaking to them as those that had received a great deal in that gift of the love of their craft and the skill to ring, that was one of the joys of their lives. He reminded them of the great cost of providing ringers with the necessary means for the excrcise of their art, in providing towers and bells, which were in proportion the most gostly part of the church. Another lesson that they learnt in the belfry was that enjoyment of their art must be shared with others. He impressed upon ringers that in the use of their art they ought to be considorate of the feelings of others; that while they were, gaining enjoyment themselves they were not failing to give enjoyment to those who heard the bells outside. Bells could not be rung without letting others share in the sound produced, and it was the duty of ringers to use their art considerately, and to the best advantage to give pleasure and profit to those who heard. Ringers were inclined when they got in the tower at times to think of the bolls as instruments for their own pleasure, and to forget that oy inconsiderate use of them, or by use without taking pains about striking they might be giving not pleasure but annoyance and pain to those who listened.

Ifter the service the ringers adjourned to the Parish Room, where all excellent tea had been provided by Messrs. T. TV. Blackshaw and Son, to which about 125 sat down.

## BUSINESS MEETING.

The business meeting took place immediately after tea in the School Halt, the Ven. Archdeacon Barber (Master), who was accorded a very hearty recention, being in the chair, supported by the Rev. J. A mongst the honorary members present were Mr. G. Christie-Miller, Stockport, Mr. J. Stringer, Sandbach, and Mr. T. Ashworth, Bowden. The Master repeated his warmest thanks to the members for the magnificent present which dellighted him a year ago. He should ralue it as long as he lived. He said it came as a complete surprise, and was in that sense the more acceptable. His interest in the Guild had not lessened with age and infirmity. Proceeding, he expressed regret at the absence of Mr. Holden, which was due to a very severe
illness. They should all' wish to send him, through his son, a message of sincere sympathy in his affliction and an earnest hope that he would be restored to health and strength again (applause).
The Master suggested that a resolution of protest against that 'mean little Bill," the Welsh Church Disestablishment Bill, should be passed.-The Honorary Secretary read the resolution, which Mr. Vilde (Chester) proposed in a few appropriate words.-Mr. Stringer sconded, saying they did not meet there as Liberals or Conservatives, hut as Churchmem, and he thought it the duty of every bellringer, whatever his political views might be, to support the resolution of protest against this iniquitous Bill.-The Rev. J. H. Thorpe said the
difficulty about this Bill was that the man in the street did not understand it. The great majority of the men of England and Wrales did not understand the Bill, nor what it proposed to do. He made the suggestion that when the Bill was brought into the Commons for the third time there should be rung a universal muffled peal (applause).
The motion was then put to the meeting, and was carried unanimously and enthusiastically. -The Master suggested that a copy of the resolution should be sent to all tlie members in the county and the leaders of the parties in the House of Commons and the House of ords.
The IIonorary Secretary read a letter of acknowledgment from Miss Parker of the resolution passed at the last annual meeting congratulating the ladies who took part in the ladies' peal.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Master, in moving the adoption of the report, etc., said that any delay there had been in issuing the report was certainly not due
to the honorary secretary, but all the merit of compiling it was his. He asked them to adopt the report, which came before them in manuscript at the committee meeting, together with the statement of accounts. One coald not help acknowledging how much they owed to their excellent secretary for all the labour and pains which le devoted to the matter, thus making the labours of the Master and the other members of the Committee so very much lighter than they otherwise would be. Mr. Norbury (Macclesfield) seconded, and it. was unanimously carried.

The Hononary Secretary said he was sure there was no competitor for the office of master, and he had great pleasure in moving the re-election of the Ven. Archdeacon Barber to the office.-Mr. Stringer seconded, and the motion was enthusiastically agreed to.
The Master moved from the chair the re-election of Mr. Beeston as honorary secretary and treasurer, and spoke in eulogistic terms of the work of that gentleman.-Mr. Beeston was unanimcusly re-elected. The following hon. members were elected to the committee: Rev. F. C. Lowery Hamilton, Rev. H. L. Mallory, Rev. C. E. Coade, Rev. G. B. Thurstan, Mr. H. Hatt-Cooke, Mr. C. J. Bowen-Cooke and Mr. H. A. Haywoorl.
There was some discussion on the question of electing hon. and ringing members for the Runcorn branch, owing to the amalgamation of that branch with the Grappenhall branch, and it was eventually decided to elect one member to represent the two branches.
The following were electerl separately as ringing members of the committee: Mr. Ashmole, Mr. Fernley, Mr. Holding, senr., Mr. Hough, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Matthews and Mr. Scouce.

The Honorary Secretary read a report on the proceedings of the Central Council, which was listened to with interest by the members, and Mr. Bibby presented a supplementary report on the same subject. It was decided tinat the next annual meeting should take place on August Bank Holiday, 1914, and that the place of meeting should be Liscard.
The Master moved a comprehensive rote of thanks to the preacher for his address; to the Vicar and wardens of St. George's for the use of their magnificent church and schools; to the Rector of St. Mary's and the Vicar of Norbury for granting the use of their bells; and to the local ringers for making arrangements: also to Mr. Moss for his kindness in acting as organist; and the choir for their kindness in being there on such a delightful afternoon.-Mr. Lewis seconded, and remarked that We thought Mr. Elsee had touched that day on his favourite subject, and he was glad that he did so, as he considered it most important. Probably a very small percentage of the public could tell the difference between Triples and the Major, but about 90 per cent. could appreciate the difference between good and bad striking, and the bulk of the opposition to ringing was due to this cause. A vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the business.

## THE SUGGESTED APPEAL TO MR. CARNEGIE.

## To the Editor

Sir,-In your leading article last week you mention the possibility of an appeal to Mr. Carnegie to set aside a part of his gift for the restoration of chweh bells. From every point of tiew the idea seems an excellent one. Many an old pre-Reformation bell might have been and might yet be saved if there were such a fund to draw upon. At several places within my own knowledge either one of two things has happened where old bells are concerned and money tight. Either the fine old bells have been melted down into a light ring because the parish could not run to the heavy peal, which the retention of the old bells would have necessitated: or, the one or two old bells have been retained and the churches are still without a ring. From the musical, antiquarian and ringers' paint of view (to put separately what ought to be combined in one) the adrantages of such a fund therefore are very great.

I am not sure, however, that Mr. Carnegie has any sympathies towards church bells. I have myself approached him on the subject some time ago, but received no reply to my letter. Still, if a responsible body, such as the Central Council, would approach him on the subject they would, I should think. get a definite reply one way or the other, and, as you suggest, it should come from them if anyone, -Yours faithfully,
C. F. JERRAM,

Captain R.M.L.I.

## THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD

The July monthly meeting was held at Wolvey on Satunday week, and from fifteen to twenty members put in an appearance from Rugby, Stoke Golding, Chilvers Coton, Nuneaton, etc. The local band are progressing well in change ringing, and one or two of them were able to take part in some Plain Bob Minor.
Tea was partaken of in the village restaurant, and subsequently the ringing master (Mr. J. George) proposed a hearty rote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells. Hatton and Dunchurch were selected for August and September monthly meetings, and Southsea for the quarterly meeting in October.

Some good ringing was performed during the afternoon and evening in the following metheds: Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, Double Court and Plain Bob Ninor.

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Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the College Youths.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association.
Cambridge Surorise Maximus by the College Youths.
Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birming-
ham on May 11th 1312.
Stedman Cinques by the lifiddlesex Association, June1st.
Stedman Cinques by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17th.
Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the Kent Association, December 7th, 1912.

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## BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS. RIPON.

By J. R. Jerram.
At the present time Ripon Cathedral possesses a peal of ten bells. Tenor 49 inches diameter, about 20 cwt., the two trebles having been added in 1891.-The inscriptions are as follows :-

Treble.
JOHN KEARSLEY CIV: RIPON AMABILIS OB: 1890. R. KEARSLEY, H. C. BICKERSTETH AND H. KEARSLEY D.D. IN MEMORIAM [below] J. SHAW \& Co. BRADFORD, 189 .

Second.
J. SHAW \& CO. BRADFORD I8gr [below] + TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN MEMORY OF ANN CROSৎ, WHO DIED 1890.

## Tenor.

THE REVd. INo. DERING SUB DEACON, GULus. LAMPLUGH HENRY GOODRICKE HUGH THOMAS INO. FOGG CHRIS. DRIFFIELD AND JAS. WILKINSON PREBENDS, LESTER \& PACK OF LONDON FECIT i76r.

O [Seal of the Church, an Agnus Dei.]
$\square$ [Arms of Aislabie, of Studley.]
$\square$ [Arms of Lawrence, of Kirkby, Fleetham (a cross vagully).]
Mr. J. Eyre Poppleton, in his " Notes on the Bells of West Riding," published in the Yorkshire Archæological Journal, gives the above inscriptions, and also those on the old peal of five bells, which were taken down in 176 r. He also mentions a bell weighing a little over a ton, said to have come from Fountain's Abbey, which formerly hung in the north-west tower, and was inscribed: $"+$ I.H.S.


Ripon Cathedral,

Third.
LESTER \& PACK OF LONDON FECIT, 176 r. Fourth.
CAST BY JOHN WARNER \& SONS, LONDON, 1866.
[on waist]. Royal Aims. Fifth.
[The same as on the third.] Sixth.
[The same as on the third.] Seventh.
[The same as on the fourth.] Eighth.
[The same as on the third.] Nintll.
THE RIGHT REVD. ROBERT DRUMMING ARCHBISHOP [A boar's head (Dean Wanley's crest)] F. WANLEY, D.D. DEAN OF RIPPON [a mitre] [a hunting horn, with letters " RIPPON" interspersed (Arms of the City)] IOHN TERRY, ESQ., MAYOR.

Ora mente pia Pro Nobis Virgo Maria, Alexander Episcopus Ebor. Dei Gracia.',

He also says that formerly there was a bell, 25 inches in diameter, which used to hang in the cupola at the northwest angle of the central tower, and was inscribed :VOCO VENI PRECARE, ifio. A fragment of this bell is preserved in the vestry.

## ODD CHANGES.

Most people who understand anything about method construction have probably anticipated criticism of the method rung at Caversham and published as "Washbrook's Surprise Principle," particularly in regard to its name. But the opinion passed upon it by the Legitimate Methods Committee is as crushing as it is brief.

Mr. Alf. Grimes, who last year topped the peal ringing list, and who looks not unlikely to repeat the performance this year, is keeping up the pace with remarkable
consistency. On August Bank Holiday, 1912, he scored his Goth peal for the year with a peal of Treble Twelve, at St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich; on August Bank Holiday, 1913, he reached his Goth peal for the year with a peal of Cambridge Maximus, at Cambridge. Quite a remarkable coincidence.

The restored tower and peal of eight bells at Warfield Parish Church were dedicated on Thursday week by the Bishop of Oxford. There will be no ringing for three months to allow the new work to get settled.

The ring of twelve at Chelmsford are to be opened on September 27 th, and a select band, representative of the Essex County Association, is being got together to ring for the ceremony.

We hear that Mr. Frank Bennett's tour in Leicester district is going on alright, and a good bag of peals will result. Miss Hilda Willson rang in four peals at the week-end, and accomplished two in one day-Double Norwich and Stedman Caters in about eight hours. Being only about 14 years old, she has certainly made a record by this performance.

## DEATH OF MR. Z. LORD. <br> A WEEL-KNOWN LANCASHERE RINGER.

Wo regret to announce the death at the Rochdiale Infirmary of Mr Zebulon Lord, of Bacup, one of the oldest ringers in Lancashire. The deceased, who was in his 70th year;, had suffered from an internal malady for the gieater pait of two years. All his life had been spent in the county Palatine, and from boyhood he hadl worked in the local collieries. All his spare time had been devoted to bell ringing, of which he was not only a profioient exponent, but an able instructor. He first commenced change ringing in the bell tower at Christ Church when he was 15 years of age, and was the last of the old band of campanologists at that place. His connection with Christ Church as a ringer lasted about 38 years-for a. considerable portion of which period he was the leader-and then his services were transferred to the St. Sariour's Church, Bacup. At the latter belfy he continued in active service as the leader up to the time of his illness, since when he had only been able to attend occasionally.
The devotion of the deceased to the art of change ringing was really remarkable, and he was never more happy than when instructing beginners. His services as an instructor were always in great demand, and his enthusiasm was such that he regularly tramped miles over the hills, after working at the colliery all day, to coach the ringers at various churches. In fact it is not too much to say that the majority of the local bell ringers at the present time, and others further afield, owe to the late Mr. Lord their knowledge of the art. He was one of a few devotees of campanology who some years ago drafted the six-bell diagrams for the instruction of beginners.
The oldest bell ringer in Rossendale, Mr. Lord was one of the founders of the Rossendale Association of Change Ringers, and had served the organisation both as secretary, and on the committee. He was a life member of the Lancashire Association, which he first joined in 1887. In connection with that body he had also held a seat on the committee.
It is now a little ovel" four years since Mr. Lord celebrated his jubilee as a bell ringer, and at that time he was the recipient of many interesting presentations. The ringers at St. Saviour's and Christ Church, Bacup, presented him with a purse of gold, and an autograph album in token of their appreciation of his valued services, and the esteem in which they held him. In connection with the same event the members of the Rossendale Association, along with friends from Todmorden and Heptonstall, presented to him a purse of gold, pipe and tobacco pouch, and an ebony silver-mounted walking stick.
Of an unassuming and genial disposition, the deceased was a man of strict integrity, rand was held in high regard by all who knew him. His patience and kindness were exemplary, and as a result he quite endeared himself to his colleagues and pupils in the various bell towers with which he was connected during his life.
He had been twice married, and leaves a widow and three married daughters.
The interment took place on Wednesday week at the Bacup Cemetery, and the services at the house and the cemetery were conducted by the Rev. William Johnson, M.A. (Vicar of St. Saviour's). The funeral was attended by representatives of the bell ringers at the following churches: St. Saviouri's and Christ Church, Bacup; St. Nicholas'
Chureh, Newchurch; Ramsbottom, Bury, Todmorden and Heptonstall.

Messrs. Sitanley Pickup, William Ashworth, James Standring and George Coates (ringers at St. Saviour's Church) acted as bearers. Mr . Illingworth Law attended as the representative of Messrs. G. Hargreaves and Co., the proprietors of the collieries where the deccased had been employed. After the interment St. Saviour's bells were rung deeply muffled.

## THE LLANDAFF ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting was held at Pendoylan on Saturday last, and, considering what an out of the way place the village is the meeting was well attended, and was most successful. The Vicar (the Rev. M C. Gower Williams) theartily welcomed the members on their arrival at the church, and, after a few 120's Grandsire Doubles on the ring of six bells, which, by the way, ware relung a few years ago, the business meeting was lheld in the schoolmom.
The Vicar kindly took the chair, and expressed the pleasure it gave him for the Association to visit his parish.

Tho restoration of Michaelstone bells, which is under consideration, and for which funds are being collected, was discussed, the Honorary Secretary explaining that the lectod had written to him asking if the Association conld assist with a subscription. -It was decided, however, that no grant could be made that day, but to loave the matter until the annual mecting.-The question of augmenting Penarth bells by adding two more was also discussed. - Representatives of the Penarth ringers were present, and said they wera most anxions to haxe a complete octave, and it was decided that the secretary should write to the Rector of Penarth, asking if he will consider the ques tion, and pointing out that no doubl the Association would grant a subscription towards the object if he woukl take the matter up.
New members were elected, and it was decided to leave open the place for tho next Glamorgan quarterly meeting until the ammal meeting.
The Vicar then invited every one to the Red Lion Hotel, where he had very kindly provided tea, and at the conclusion a liearty rote of thanks was accorded him for his hospitality. Some handbell ringing was next indulged in, much to the delight of the locals, and then a return was made to the town, but unfortunately, owing to severe illness, close to the church, ringing had to be somewhat curtailed

Pendoylan is one of the few towers in the Llandaff Diacese where call changes aro rung, anth several of the local ringers were much pleased to hear half-pull ringing. They promised to join the Association, and to make an effort to learn half-pull ringing.
Ringing papers were a thing unknown lhere, but copies of "The Ringing Wrorld" were distributed, and it is hoped in the near future that the cbjects of the Association will be achieved at Pendoylan.

## SALISBURY GUILD.

The Marlborough branch of the Salishury Guild held a meeting at Marlborough on Saturday last. Ringing began at St. Mary's Church, where the Guild service was held. At the business meeting, held after tea, the Hon. Secretary explaincd why the meeting was not held at Savernake, as had been wished, and it was decided to try to hold a meeting there in September.-Two ringers from Chiseldon, two from Hilmarton, and six from Lyneham were elected members of the Guild. -It was decideci to hold a special meeting of the branch at Bremhill on the occasion of the rededioation of the bells after restoration, and to hold the October meeting at Ramsbiury. - A reprort of the last meeting of the Central Committee of the Guild was read.-The Secretary reported that, so far, nine ringers had promised to jcin the instruction centre at Hilmarton, where permission to hold it had been given by the Rer. E. W. W. Payne.-A rote of thanks was passed to the R.v. A. E. G. Peters for conducting the service, and to Miss Ponting for presiding at the organ.
The tingerss then returned to the tower, and kept the bells going until late in the evening. Members were present from Marlborough St. Mary, Ogbourne St. Gcorge, Ramsbury, Chilton Foliat and Tidworth, but the number was not large, perhaps owing to the beginning of harvest.

## THE LATE MR.F. A. NUNN.

Further subscriptions to the fund for assisting the widow and three young children of the late Mr. F. A. Nunn, of Tottenham, have been received as follows: Chelmsfond and Boreham ringers, £1 7s. 6d. Vicar and churchwardens of St. Ann's, Tottenham 81 Is.; already ack nowledged, $£ 577 \mathrm{~s}$; total, $£ 85 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$. Further subscriptions to this most deserving fund are invitod, and should be sent to "F. R.," e/o the Rev. F. Rice, the Vicarage, St. Ann's Road, South Tottenham.

## "WASHBROOK'S SURPRISE PRINCIPLE."

To the Wditor.
Sir,-The system produced by Mr. Washbrook and rung at Caversham, is asymmelrical, and therefore iliegitimate; it is not principle and it is not Surprise.

The Legitimate Methods Committee
H. Law James
H. Dains
J. A. Trollope

Edwin H. Lewis


York Minster.
MESSRS. JOHN WARNER \& SONS, Ltd., of the Spitalfields Foundry, London, have been entrusted with the following rings of 12 bells:

YORK MINSTER (Tenor $50 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.) ST. LEONARD'S CHURCH, SHOREDITCH (Tenor $28 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.) CHELMSFORD PRO CATEEDRAL (Tenor $32 \mathrm{cwt}$. )

## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

## CILELTENHAM AND DISTRICT GUILD

The Cheltenham and District Guild had their anmoal outing on Saturday week, members and a few friends to the number of about 22 driving from Chelteniam to Stratford-om-Avon, and thence to Evesham in a motoy char-a-banc, the drive being much enjoyed. Dinner was served at Evesham by Mr. Martin, of the Golden Heart Hotel, who provided an excellent spread, and did! everything possible to ren--der the visitors' stay agreeable. Mr. Middleton, of . Evesham, and others met the Guild members, and conducted them to the Abbey Tower, where various touches were rung on the peal of 10 bells. The members of the Guild desire to thank the Vicar, and churchwardens, and ringers of Evesham for the use of the bells and for their kindness in having everything ready for them. Home was reached about 10 p.m., the drive occupying about an hour and three quarters.

## AN ISLE OF WIGHT WEEK-END

The aunual outing of the St. George the Martyr Society, Southwark, was spread over a week-end in the Isle of Wight, which was reached on the Friday evening, the party proceeding to Brading, 凡 quict old village, with a ring of eight, the only one on the island that conld be obtained for a peal. Here they were met by Mr. H. Jennings, who, in conjunction with the Naster (Mr. T. H. Taffender), had fixed up the arrangements. Supper at the Wheatsheaf Inn and a touch of Stedman Caters and Treble Bob on the handbells closed the day.

A start was made next morning, soon after 8 a.m., for Thurstans' one part peal of Stedman Triples, which was brought round in two hours and 53 minutes, we of St. George's boys, only 15 years of age, ringing the tenor in capital style to his frist peal. He rather puzzles his superiors as to where he actually pulls his bell, for even at the finish of the peal he had not got a single blister on his hands. The party then set out to walk to Shanklin, stopping en route for dinner at Sandown. Tho Parisic Church at Shanklin was duly reached, only to find it without bells, but, after investigating matters, the visitors found it was St. Saviour's-on-the-Cliffs they wanted, and here the stecplekeeper and Mr. Jennings were awaiting them. Stedman, Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise Major, etc., were rolled off on this fine ring, tenor 18 cwt., by Mears and Stainbank, but much too heavy for the tower. After tea in Shanklin Old Village the party once more set out, and in order that they should not make another error in their travel, Mr. Jennings acted as guide through the "Chine" and "Landslip." This latter is like fairyland, some two and half miles in length, on the cliffs: the views in and from it, along the coast, being superib. The handbells had to be produced, and touches and tunes wers rung, and sounded extremely nice in this lovely spot. Passing through Bonchurch, with its famous pond, the visitors made their way to Ventnor for the night.

Early on Sunday morning some of the party indulged in a dip in the sea, and after breakfast the visitors returned to Shanklin to ring for morning service, Grandsire and Stedman Triples being the methods. In a quiet spot, behind some rocks, a touch of Stedman Caters was brought round on handbells, and a little more would have been done, only a crowd had gathered, so the bells were put away. The Wheatsheaf Inn at Brading was reached in time for dinner, a splendid meal awaiting the party, who afterwards went on by rail to St, John's Road, Ryde. where Mr. Jennings, along with the captain of the local oompany (Mr. Oliver Coombes), conducted them to the grand Parish Church, with its fine ring of eight, tenor 26 cwt., to ring for the 3.30 p.m. service. Stedman and Cambridge Major were atbempted, but the Major failed, the only touch that did not come round on the onting. A splendid view was obtained from the top of the tower, and, after tea, boat was taken to Portsmouth Harbour for St. Thomas' Church. There they were welcomed by Mr. Burnett, Mr. A. T King, Mr. E. Reynolds, etc. The bells are a grand ring of eight, tenor 25 cut., cast last year by Messrs. Taylor; a perfect band of music. Touches were boought round for 6.45 p.m. service, in which some of the local men took part. Afterwards the visitors were chaperoned round Portsmouth to some of its many historical sites, by Messrs. Burnett and Reynolds, and returned to London by the $8.18 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. train, after having enjoyed what all thought to be one of the finest possible outings that could be obtained. Thanks are due to Mr. Jennings, who met the party on three consecutive days, andi Messrs. Matthews, of Shanklin, the steeplekeeper of Brading, Mr. O. Coombes, of Ryde, and Messrs. Burnett and Reynolds, of Portsmouti.

## a Ladies day

The ringers of Erdington Parish Church and friends visited Tewkesbury for their eighth annual outing. Stopping at Worcester, the party spent a pleasant hour looking through the fine old cathedral and other places of interest, after which they joined the steamer "The Fashion," en route for Tewkesbury, arriving there at 1 p.m. after a pleasant sail. The ringers made their headquarters for the day at the Abbey tea gardens-a most delightful spot which commands a fine view of the Abbey Church. After dinner a vote of thanks was proposed to the seoretary, Mr. J. Preston, for the able manner in which he had carried out the arrangements for the day, and for the way in which he always conducted the business of the belfry.Mr. Thomas Russam, presiding ringing master, seconded the motion,
and testified to the work done by the secretary. - The voto of thanks was carried with applause, and Mr. J. Preston briefly replied.-The Abbey was then visited, and here the ringers were received by Mr. Joseph Wathen, the tower-keeper, who escorted them to the belfry, where touches of Stedman Triples were rung on the bells, which have been rehung. After ringing, the party proceeded to the top of the tower and had a fine viow of the country, the sky being very clear. On leaving the belfry they visited the fine old church and abbey, and spent a short time looking over the various items of interest. After tea the return trip was commenced, and after another stay in Worcester, Birmingham was reached at 10 p.m., and Erdington an hour later. The day was most delightful, and the outing was much enjoyed by all. This was a ladies' day, several of the ringers' wives being present. Their best thanks are due to all who made the outing a suocessful one.

THROUGH THE WEALD OF KENT.
The members of the Rochester Cathedral company (joined by members and friends of the Chatham, Gillingham and Frindsbury companies, 26 in all) had a motor drive through the Weald of Kent for their anmual outing, a start being made at 8.5 a.m. Headcorn was the first calling place, after a very exhilarating drive in the cool morning air. The hilly scenery from Chatham to Sutton Vallance was good, but from the hill at Snttion Vallance one looked on a glorious lowland scene of vast acres of pasture land, mingled with fields of growing coms and other crops, studded hers and there with stately elms-a truly magnificent picture. At Headicorn the visitors were met by the Vicar's wife, who joined them in a few rounds on the bells, after which touches of Stedman, Kent Treble Bob and Grandsire were brought round. The bells here are good and go very well. The Vicar and Mr. Hodgkin, the venerable captain of the Headcorn company, also met the party. The church has a very fine old oak roof worthy of note, and in its churchyard stands the famons large and ancient oak tree. The journey was continued to Tenterden in heavy rain. On arrival the visitors made at once for the church tower, where is one of the finest rings in the comnty with a tenor 30 cwt. in $D$ flat. The only drawback is that they do not go half so well as they ought to. Touches of Stedman, Grandsire, Kent, Treble Bob and Plain Bob were successfully brought round, the bells sounding much the best in the touch of Bob Major. At 12.30 dinner was served in the Town Hall. After" the toast of "The King," a hearty vote of thanks was acconded Mr. A. Osborne, the organising secretary, and his committee for arranging such an enjoyable trip. After a course of Grandsire on handbelis by W. Cooto (Gillingham) 1-2, W. Haigh 3-4, W. Eastin 5-6, E. A. G. Allen (Rochester) 7-8, the party departed for Rolvenden, where they met with misfortunc. First the stay of the treble broke, and after ten minutes of Stedman the 7 th rope oame down. It was quite obvious that theso bells want overhauling, as they are in a bad condition. At the next stopping place, Cranbrook, illness, close by, prevented but little ringing being done. The church is interesting, for it contains an old baptistery with the robing room abore, so that one can walk straight down the steps into the water. It is said to be the only one left in Kent. After an hour's stay a move was made for Goudhurst, where touches in various methods were successfully brought round, not, however, without difficulties for the tenor man, who had much more rope and sally than he could comfortably handle. The bells are a good ring, tenor
27 cwt. in D. Marden was the last place of call, and tea was awaiting the party on their aavival. Afterwards they made for the church tower, where hangss a grand ring of eight (tenor $14 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F), cast by Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich, and hung in a steel frame in the year 1909. These, in the opinion of the writer, were the best toned and going ring that they had rung on during the day. Some vely
good touches were brought round. The Vicar of Marden met the visitors at the church, and gave them a hearty welcome.
The last stage of the journey occupied about an hour and a quarter, Chatham being reached at 9.50 p.m., all being thoroughly satisfied with the day's doings. The company take this opportunity of thanking the incumbents of the various churches for so kindly giving permission to ring their bells.- ©. A. G. A.

## A SUSSEX EXCURSION.

Waldron and East IFoathly, situated in the heart of some beautiful Sussex scenery, were visited by the Southover Gruild, Lewes, for their annual outing. A pleasant afternoon drive brought them to the former place, where, by the way, there are three ladies in the local
band. Touches in various methods were rung for an hour, and then band. Touches in various methods were rung for an hour, and then the party procceded to East Hoathly for tea, served at the King's
Head. In the absence of the rector and president of the Guild (the Rev. T. H. Windle), who was detained by other parochial engagements, Mr. J. R. Lusted (churchwarden and vice-president) presided, supported by Mr. J. Thornton Rickman and Mr. J. T. Glandfield (vice-presidents). The last-named voiced the feelings of the members in expressing regret at the absence of the Rector, who had sent his good wishes, and proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Lusted for taking the chair, and to Mr. Rickman for acting as vice-chairman. - The motion was carried by acclamation. - Afterwards ringing took place on the six bells, and the county town was reached again about 10 p.m., after a most successful outing.

Reports of other outings are unavoidably held over.

## WELLINGTON'S RESTORED BELLS.

## A DAY OF CELEBRATION.

The peal of five bells at Wellingtom, near Hereford, having been rebung in a new frame (the third having also been recast) by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough, and dedicated on July 15th, the Vicar and parishioners wished to keep the following Sunday as a day of thanksgiving. There being no change ringers in the place an invitation was sent to the members of the Bodenham band to spend the whole day at Wellington. The ringers arrived in time to raise the bells, ind ring several six-scores of Grandsire Doubles for morning service. The service was conducted by the Rev. - Lee, formerly secretary to the Ilereford Guuld. Afterwards the bells were once more set merrily going until dinner time, when the ringers were heartily welcomed to hospitable repast at the Rectory.
In the afternoon the bells were rung before and after the children's serrice, and during the ringing some of the children were taken up to watch the bells in motion.
The ringers were then entertained to tea at the Old Mill. Afterwards an extremely well struck quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung in 44 minutes by J. E. Lewis (conductor) 1, I. Downes 2, A. Downes 3, J. K. Armstrong 4, W. J. Bullock 5. This is the longest louch ever ruing in the tower.
The service was beautifully rendered by the ohoir, and a most appropriate sermon was preached by the Vicar, who reviewed the history of the Wellington bells, which date back to the 15th century. He also leld out the lope that at no distant time a treble would be added to make the six.
Immediately after service the ringers again took to the ropes, and rang the people home. The bells were then lowered in peal and supper was partaken of at the Vicarage, and so ended a most enjoy. able day.
The warmest thanks of the ringers are due to the Vicar, and, indeed, ceeryone, for their kindness, and, judging from the feeling shoved, Wellington will not long lack either its sixth bell or its band of ringers.
Previous to the re-opening of the bells they had been unringable for upwards of 40 years. Messrs. Taylor have now rehung, them in a new steel frame, and, with the third recast, it only needs the treble -for which provision is made in the frame-to make them a grand peal of six. The tenor is $17 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt., and the "go" and tone of the bells are alike magnificent. Mr. W. Short, the Guild instructor, was in charge of the ringing for the dedication service, the dedication touch being rung ly W. Short 1, Thomas Williams 2, W. H. Williams 3, J. H. Shepherd 4, Charles L. Sadler 5. Messrs. Laing, of Swindon, and J. H. Jones, of Hereford, also took part in the ringing after the service.
The fine old Norman tower was also been thoroughly and skilfully repaired at a cost closely approaching four figures, all raised by roluntary subscriptions, sales of work, etc., thus completing the thorough restoration of the sacred edifice the chancel having been restored by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners in 1884; and the other parts of the church, with exception of tower, in 1887, at a cost of £1,400, raised by voluntary subscriptions.

## J. S. GOLDSMITH'S 250 PEALS.

Con- HandRung. ducted. bells.
Seven methods on 6 bells Union Triples. Court Bob Triples Darlaston Bob Triples Grandsire Triples Grandsire Major Grandsire Caters Stedman Triples Stedman Caters Stedman Cinques Bob Triples Bob Major Bob Royal
Canterbury Pleasure Major Double Norwich Major Double Norwich Royal
 Kent Treble Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob Royal Kent Treble Bob Maximי Superlative Surprise Major New Cumberland Surprise Major Ihristol Surprise Major London Surprise Major New Cambridge Supprise Major Cambridge Surprise Major Cambridge Surprise Royal Cambridge Surprise Maximus

## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A mecting of the amalgamated Leatherhead and Guildford Districts was held at Ranmore on Bank Holiday, and was a distinct success from every point of view. The beautiful gardens of Denbies were open to the visitors, by kind permission of the Hon. H. Cabitt, and the large extent of glass houses and their profusion of fruit gave rise to many expressions of admiration. The splendid peal of bells. were kept going in various methods till 4.15 , when a well-attended service was held, and an interesting address given by Canon Chichester, Vical of Dorking. 'l'ea had been laid for 30, as 24 had informed the secretary they were coming. Brother Whittington, however, reported that he had sold 58 tickets, and that the company included Miss Bennett from London, Mr. Pitman from Lyminge, Mr. F. E. Dawe from Woking, three brother-strings from the wilds of Sussex, who wishedl to join the Guild, and other old friends from far and near. Luckily tea was laid under the trees, and after a postponement of half. an hour, during which Alfred kept his merry men (and a maid) busy with handbells, everything was ready, the caterer nobly rising to the occasion, only plaintively remarking "that 30 teas were ordered, and he hadi already cut 50 plates of ham and beef, and that ought to be enough !" The two amateur waiters, however, urged him to further efforts, and finally all were satisfied. A move was again made for the tower, and a party went down to Dorking (where a peal of Stedman had been lost in the morning), and had about an hour's ringing there. The thanks of all are especially due to Mr. Dobinson, churchwarden of Ranmore, and Mr. Dodd, of Dorking, for their attention to the bells and the comfort of the visitors.

## MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION AT CAMBRIDGE.

 a successful holiday.At the invitation of the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey members of the Middlesex Assaciation revisited Cambridge for the holidays, and spent a most enjoyable time. A raried and full programme had been arranged, and, thanks to Mr. Boughey's preparations, and the readiness of the Cambridge ringers to assist in making the visit a pleasurable one, nothing was wanting to ensure the success of the trip, for eren the weather was on its best belariour. The party numbered thirteen, but, as events proved, there was nothing unlucky in the number. When the main body reached Cambridge they were met by the advance guard, and straight away drove to Long Stanton. They were welcomed by the Vicar (the Rev. H. B. Woolley), an enthusiasticringer, and Mirs. Woolley, by whom the visitors were kindly entertained to tea on the lawn. Without waste of time, however, the very tuneful little peal of eight were set going to Bristol Surprise, which rolled home in fine style. After taking farewell of the hospitable hosts, the return drive to Cambridge was embarked upon. It was enlivened by a touch of Stedman on handbells.
Sunday was an easy day for the majority, but it provided an opportunity for practice for the morrow. At Great St. Mary's, for morning service, a course of Cambridge Maximus was rung as preparation for the principal event of the risit, an attempt for the first peal of Cambridge Maximus in Cambridge. It was a capital course that promised well for success the next day. Afterwards most of the band visited the Catholic Churoh, where, on the magnificent eight (tenor 32 cwt.) courses of Bristol and Gambridge Major were rung. A handbell peal of Stedman Cinques was on the programme for the afternoon, and the band, having been entertained at Pembroke College by Mr. W. D. James, rang the peal in the latter's rooms, with Mr. James taking part. Serious interruption, just before the end of the peal, by someone whu entered and demanded a cessation of the ringing might have brought disaster, and it is probably as well for the intruder that he was not successful in stopping the peal. While the ringing was in progress the other members of the party enjoyed the pleasure of boating on the Cam. Subsequently the party rang for service at St. Andrew's, and in the evening all foregathered at Mr. Boughey's home in Trinity College, where a happy hour was spent in social intercourse and with the Ihandbells, Double Norwich, Bristol Surprise and Stedman Cinques being rung on the latter.

On Monday moruing, at Great St. Mary's, a peal of Cambridge Maximus was embarked upon, and in 3 hrs. 57 mins. a splendid peal in this intricate method was wung, the listeners outside being as pleased with the striking as the band were with their performance. Subsequently a company numbering nearly 30 , and including Mrs. lrewett and a number of Cambridge ringers, as well as the Middlesex members, were entertained to lunch at the Lion Hotel by the Rev. A. II. F. Boughey. After a sumptuous repast the health of Mr. Boughey was cordially dinink, and thanks tendered to him and to all who had helped to make the risit such an enjoyable one.

Later on a peal of Stedman Cinques was attempted at Great St. Mary's, and once more success attended the efforts of the ringers. Thus orerything attempted was achieved, and last year's performance of two peals of Stedman Cinques on Bank Holiday improved upon. For those whom duty calleri. homeward that evening, little time was left, but several of the party stayed until Tuesday with the object of attempting a peal in Huntingdonshire, and adding one more to the long list of counties in which some of them have soored peals.

## NOTICES.

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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -Established 1637 . - Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on August I4th and 28th ; at St. John's, Hackney, on August igth ; Southwark Cathedral on August 12th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on August igth; St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus 7.30, the others 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at Westhoughton, on Saturday, August 9th. Bells available all the afternoon. Business meeting at 7 p.m.-G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

OLDHAM AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The quarterly meeting of the Oldham and District Society will be held at St. Thomas', Moorside, on Saturday, August 9 th. Bells ready 3.30 . Business meeting at 6.30.Charles Platt, Secretary.

THE LONDON COUNTTY ASSOCIATION (late The St. James' Society, Established 1824). -Southern District. -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, August 16th, at All Saints', Isleworth. Tower open from 5 p.m. to $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. ; business meeting to follow, all ringers and friends invited.-F. A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Liverpool Branch.-A meeting will be held at Hale on Saturday, August 16 th. Bells ready at 4.-Members intending being present please send word to Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

## ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY,

 SHEFFIELD.-The next meeting of the above Society will be held at St. Maries, Sheffield, on Saturday, August 16th, 19I3. Tower open at 4 p.m.-J. Evinson, 91, Clarence Street, Sheffield.PEAL BOOKS.-Price 3s. 6d., post free, 300 pages. The first peal written in (with weather-proof ink) free of charge, if particulars of same are enclosed with order. J. Beams, Fir Tree Road, Banstead, Epsom, Surrey.

## HOLIDAY APARTMENTS.

Having frequently had inquiries from ringers for information as to other members of the Exercise who have holiday apartments to let, we offer the use of our columns to those who cater for visitors at seaside and other resorts. Terms for insertion will be sent on application.

VISITORS TO BLACKPOOL will find every con venience at Mrs. E. Howarth's, 14, May Bell Avenue, Springfield Road, Blackpool, N.S.

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## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

EIGGLESWADE-On May 25th, 896 Grandsire Triples: E. Hussey I, N. Blood 2, J. W. Barker 3, A. Pratt 4, C. Pratt 5, H. L. Harlow 6, W. Mayes 7, L. C. Franklin 8. Fung on the anniversary of the dedication of the bells.
BEDFORD.-At St. Paul's Church, on June 1st, for evensong, 576 Cambridge Surprise: J. Church 1, C. Ohasty 2, F, Webb 3, E. Tingey 4, H. Tysoe 5, II. L. Harlow 6, F. Smith 7, J. W. Barker (oonductor) 8 . HANDSWORTH.-On May 18th, at St. Mary's Church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsine Triples, in 40 mins.: J. Johnson 1 W. G. Ellis 2, C. Starkey 3, T. Westwood 4, T. Verry 5, R. Faux 6, T J. Bratton (conductor) 7, R. Speakman 8.

DEPTFORD.-At St. John's Church, on June 3rd, at 7.0 a.m., in honour of the King's Birthday, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (fiom Holt's Originil), in 45 mins: W. H. Daynes 1, F. S. Bacon 2, J Law 3, W. Weatherstone 4, F. W. Richardson (conductor) 5, E. B Crowder 6, W. J. Jeffries 7, C. H. Macklin 8. The conductor's 100th quarter-peal.

BECCTAS, SUFFOLK.-For the King's birthday, at St. Nichael's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 57 mins. : R. Goate 1, T. Beckett 2 E. Ripe (longest length) 3, C. Parnell 4, G. Baxter 5, W. Spaulding 6, H. Ling (conductor) 7, R. Freestone 8. Also another quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 55 mins., with $R$. Rush (longest length), tenor. These are the first quarter-peals rung entirely by the St. Michael's company for several years.
STURMINSTER MARSHALL, DORSET--On June 7th, 720 of Kent Treble Bob: *Rev. C. A. Phillips 1, *Major C. C. Hughes D'Aeth 2, A. F. Martin Stewart 3, *W. W. Mughes D'Aeth 4, G. Preston (conductor) 5, C. W. Goodenough 6. First 720 of Kent. First 720 on the bells. This is thought to be the first 720 of Kentrung in the branch.
HEMEL HEMPSTEAD.-At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, June 1st, for morning service, 532 Grandsire Triples: J. Milman 1, W. H. Newell 2, F. Walker 3, H. Golding (conductor) 4, J. Floyd 5, W. Shepherd 6, IV. Floyd 7, W. Charge 8.

GAINSBOROUGH, LTNCS.-On June 3rd, at All Saints' Church, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major ( 1280 changes), in 53 mins.: F. S. W'. Butler (first in the method as conductor) 1, *W. Dickenson 2, *J. T. Bartram 3, J. C. Tinker 4, *P. Ballance 5, ©. H. Baker 6, J. T. Ladd 7, H. Torr 8. First quarter-peal in the method. Rung in honour of the King's birthday.
CROYDON.-At St. Peter's, on June 1st, for evensong, a quarter peal of Stedman Caters: *H. Brooker 1. W. Wise 2, *W. Ives 3, J. A Trollope 4, D. Wright $\overline{5}$, W. Hewett (conductor) 6, F. Bennett 7, *G. Burt 8, A. W. Grimes 9, *H. Kitching 10. * First quarter-peal of Sted man Caters.
BURTON-ON-TRENT.-Midland Counties Association.-On June 5th, at St. Paul's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (Brook's), in 49 mins.: W. C. Wakley 1, E. J. Stone 2, A. P. G. Stone 3, H. Hurdman 4, G. Bull 5, J. H. Swinfield 6, A. P. Wakley (conductor) 7, J. A. Sanders 8. Rung to celebrate the weddings of Mr. Charles Sanders, a member of the St. Paul's Society, to Miss Bertha Clark, and of Mr. J. W. Webb to Miss Olive Wakley, both of which took place on June 4th. BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.-On June 5th, at the Parish Church, with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to the late Mr. Trotter, of Edinburgh, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: S. King (first quarter-peal) 1, J. Mead 2, W. Sear 3, W. Mead (first quarter inside) 4, L. Meager 5, E. Mark 6, H. Sear (conductor) 7, V. Sear 8.

PUTNEY.-At St. Mary's Church, on June 3rd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins.: H. Whanslaw 1, T. Bolton 2, W. Honeyball 3, A. Hubbard 4, C. Collis, junr., 5, A. Jones 6, G. WW. Honeyball (conductor) 7, C. Collis, senr., 8.

BOWNESS-ON-WINDERMDRE.-On May 27th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (from Holt's Original), in 47 mins.: A. W. Brighton (conductor) 1, A. Newton 2, G. Whittam 3, J. Holme 4, E. L. Bennett 5, T. F. Hewetson 6, W. Robinson 7, R. Satterthwaite 8. All the above are from Ambleside except A . W. Brighton (London).
PAISLEY, GLASGOW.-On May 18th, at St. James' Church, for morning and evening service, several 120 's Grandsire Doubles: G. Tawse 1, A W. Brighton (London) 2, J. Sunter 3, J. Stevenson 4, A. E.
Wreaks (conductor) 5, J. McGovan 6, A. Rodger 7, D. Colville 8. First Wreaks (conductor) 5, J. McGovan 6, A. Rodger 7, D. Co
120 's by all except A. W. T3righton and A. E. Wreaks.
AMBLESIDE, WESTMORLAND.-On May 23rd, 1260 of Grandsite Triples (from Holt's Original), in 54 mins.: A. W. Brighton (conductor) 1, A. Newton 2, G. Whittam 3, J. Holme 4, E. L. Bennett 5, T. F. Hewetson 6, W. Robinson 7, R. Satterthwaite 8.-On May 25th, for morning service, 504 Grandsire Triples: A. W. Brighton (conductor) 1 , A. Newton 2, G. Whittam 3, J. Holme 4, E. L. Bennett 5, T. F. Hewetson 6, J. Holmes 7, W. Robinson 8.

KESWICK, CUMBFRLAND.-On May 7th, at St. Kentigen, Crosthwaite, 704 Kent Treble Bob Major: Miss M. E. Chillingworth 1, F. Hogarih 2, J. Bell 3, T. Wilson 4, T. Hogarth 5, T. Hartley 6, F. W. Postlethwaite 7, A. W. Brighton (conductor) 8. Also 252 Stedman Triples-On Thursday, May 15th, 1008 Stedman Triples, in 37 mins.: A. W. Brighton (conductor) 1, T. Hogarth 2, J. Bell 3, T. Wilson 4. T. Graham 5, T. Hartley 6, F. W. Postlethwaite 7, W. Campbell 8. Longest length in the method on the bells, and by all the band except the conductor. Miss M. T. Chillingworth is from Bradficld, Berks, and A. W. Brighton from London.

APPLETON, BERKS.—On May 17th, 1036 Grandsire Triples: W. Holifield 1, G. Holifield, junr. (conductor), 2, G. Holifield, senr., 3, A. I-. White 4, F. S. White 5, C. G. White 6, R. White 7, F. White 8. Also 504 Grandsire Triples, on Sunday, 18th May. Both touches were rung with the bells muffled, in token of respect to the late W. Woodward, who rang the tenor to the first peal of Grandsire Triples rang at Appleton in the year 1855. He was interred at Appleton, on Saturday, May 17 th , having died at the age of 82 years.

EARL SOMAM.-On June 3rd, in honour of the King's birthday, 720 College Single, and touches of Plain and Oxford Bob, by B. Ellis, H. W. Crickmer, W. Saban, W. G. Crickmer, H. Hall, E. Jenkins, G. Balis.-On Junc 8th, for morning service, 360 Plain Bob: W. Saban 1, H. W. Crickmer 2, W. G. Crickmer (conductor) 3, C. Button 4, H. Hall 5, G. Balls 6.

STOKE-ON-TRENT.-At the Parish Church, on June 8th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: G. Bloor 1, C. Woodward 2, H. Page 3, J. Woodward 4, C. H. Page 5, S. Ohurton 6, G. F. Page (conductor) 7, H. Austin 8.

GRAVESEND.-On Sunday, June 1st, for morning service, a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples: J. Avis 1, R. Tall 2, C. Constant 3, R. Smith 4, A. Constant 5, A. Martin 6, R. Constant (conductor) 7, A. Tott 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a mark of respect to the Rev. J. D. Gedge on the loss of his wife, and to the Rector (the Rev. Canon Gedge), on the loss of his mother.

## CAVENDISH DELIGHT.

We have been requested to publish the enclosed Minor method, which, though it has been composed since 1882, was rung to its extent for the first time just recently at Cavendish, Suffolk, conducted by W. Underwood. It was composed by Mr. Alec Hurst.

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TAMWORTH RINGERS' GIFT.
As briefly mentioned last week, the ringers of St. Editha's Church, Tammorth, have presented Miss Margery F. Sampson with a lady's dressing case, on the occasion of her departure for Edinburgh. The presentation was made by Mr. A. Ei. Young, the captain, who referred to the enthusiastic manner in which Miss Sampson had taken up ringing during her stay at Tamworth.-Miss Sampson, in acknowledging the gitt, thanked the members of the Tamworth band for their patient tuition.-Before the presentation a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung in 47 minutes on the occasion of the choir festiral as a farewell to Miss Sampson: R. P. Bridley 1, C. Chapman 2, Miss Siampsou 3, A. J. Chaplin 4, J. H. Chapman 5, A. E. Young (conductor) 6, A. Everett 7, J. Pratt 8.

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Architeot, Diocesan Survejor

## MODERN WORK.

## A NOTEWORTHY PERFORMANCE.

The performance of Miss Hilda Willson in ringing two peals, one of Double Norwich and one of Stedman Caters, in one day is another remarkable tribute to the prowess of the lady ringers. Speaking "without the book" we are not sure that such an achievement has ever before been attained by a member of the fair sex, but in any case it is a performance sufficiently rare to be noteworthy. Indeed, when one considers the age of this young lady, the feat appears little short of remarkable. To stand at the end of a rope for something approaching seven hours with only one short break is no mean test of endurance even for a man, but for a girl of only I4 years it is a great triumph of pluck and perseverance, and it obvious that Miss Willson is possessed of grit and no inconsiderable skill. She is a credit to her association and to her enthusiastic father.

This performance only goes to emphasise what we have several times previously pointed out, that the realm of campanology which was once looked upon as the exclusive domain of men is fast being conquered by the gentle sex, as they are surely conquering all other positions upon which mere man is already established, whether in the pleasures or the more serious things of life. The presence of ladies in the Exercise is no passing fad. In ever-increasing numbers they are taking to our Art, and while, we suppose, they will always lack the physical strength successfully to tackle long lengths on heavy bells, there has been ample proof that in the scientific side of ringing a lady can be equally as clever as a member of the sterner sex. It is pretty clear, from the trend of opinion which has shown itself at various association meetings, that ringers generally are ready to welcome the ladies on an even footing, for a good many societies have expressed the view that they should be admitted to the Central Council when their Guild reaches the requisite number of members, and when the matter comes before the central authority next year at Winchester there is little doubt that a majority will be found in favour of admitting ladies.

The first record of their prowess in the tower, is now in the belfry of Cubitt Town, where the ladies' peal was rung. The handsome marblette tablet recording the performance and subscribed for by the ringers of England, has been erected and awaits the unveiling ceremony, which, however, cannot take place until October 4th. Canon Simpson, of St. Paul's, is to perform the ceremony and the occasion will doubtless be one for a considerable gathering of ringers, both male and female. The tablet is a worthy one and will provide a fitting memento of a performance, which we believe is only the prelude of many and even greater achievements to come.

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## TEN BELL PEAL.

SELBY, YORIKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, August 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Abbey Church,
a Peal of kent treble bob royal, 5120 changes; Tenor $25 \mathrm{c} w \mathrm{wt} .2$ qr. 20 lbs .


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Atrgust 4, 1913, in Thvee Howrs and Sixteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5248 CHANQES;

 Tenor 17 cwt. o qr. 9 lbs .| Cecil J. Baker..................... | Edward C. Gobey ... | 5 |  |  |
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| Charles Wilkinson | $\ldots$ | 2 | Neville H. Widdowson | 6 | Charles Wilkinson ... 2 Neville H. Widdowson 6 Joseph Hall ... ... ... 3 William Thornley... ... 7 Arthur Freeman ... ... 4 Henry W. Wilde ... ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by E. C. Gobey.

This peal was arranged for Henry W. Wilde, who hails from Pulford, Cheshire.

ORMESBY, YORKSHIRE.
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSFIIRE ASSOCIATION. On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt .

| William | Holmes | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Treble | Thomas Lancaster... ... | 5 |
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| William Pollard | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Alexander MacFarlane | 6 | Harry Parrish ... ... ... 3 Sampson T. Wright ... 7 John George Hall... ... 4 Thomas Metcalfe ... ... Teror Composed by A. Knights, and

Conducted by Thomas Metcalfe.

## HORRINGER, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
AND THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY, BURY ST. EDMUNDS. On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Three Hours,

At the Chorch of St. Leonard,
a peal of kent treble bob major, 5088 changes;
Tenor 9 cwt . o qr. 3 lbs., in A flat.
Arthor E. Moore ... ...Treble | Robert Wilding ... ... 5 George Debenham ... ... 2 Thomas Fitzjohn ... ... 6 Rev. William C. Pearson 3 *Janies Chinery... ... ... 7 John Sparrow ... ... ... 4 Harry A. Torner ... ... Tenor Composed by N. J. Pitsiow, and Conducted by Arther E. Moore.

* First peal in the method.


## HADLOW, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
8 On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St, Mary,

## A PEAL OF ORANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor i5 cwt.
*Eric Filtness ... ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ William Latter ... ... 5
Hubert J. Blackwell. ... 2 Spencer Marshall... ... 6
 Arthor T. Verralls ... 4 †John Liddiard Conducted by Isanc Emery.
$\dagger$ First peal. * First peal of Grandsire.

SEDGLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Monday, Angust A, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,
At the Parise Chodee,

## A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Thursians' Four-Part Christopher Wallater ... Tindil Thomas Hoghes EERT Horton Eggar Marlow

Tenor 16 cwt . William A. Cooper ... 5 Jedeben Hall ... ... ... 6 Eowin J. Tyler ... $\quad . .7$ Benjamis Gough ... ...Tenor

Conducted by Edwis f. Tyler
Rang in hon@ur of the wisit of the Dutch Scouts to Sedgley.

## MINEHEAD, SOMERSETSHIRE

THE BATH AND WTELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Hondey, Angust 4, 1913, in Thee Hours and Five Minute,
Az the Church of St. Michazl,
A PEAL OF ERANDSIRE TRIPLES 5040 GHANGES;
Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tegor 21 cwt.


Conducted by G. Atrins.

- First peal. † First peal of Triples.

COSELEY, STAEFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHIDEACONRY OF STAFFORD,
AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Monday, Athots d. 1913. in Three Hows,
At the Parish Chorgh,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES ;
Tenor in cwt.
Thowns Hoghes ... ...Treble Benjamin Gough ... ... 5 Keuren I-fall. Edwin J. Tyler ... ... 6 Edgar Marlow Christopher Wallater 7 Willima A. Cooper ...Tenor Composed by B. Anvable, and Conducted by Christopher Wallater.
This peal was rang to celebrate the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. John Price, members of the above church. Mr. Price having been a sitlesman for over 25 years. After the peal Mr. and Mrs. Price entertained the Vicar and his wife (Rev. and Mrs. J. Arthur Price), the rimgers and several friends to supper, the Vicar, Mr. B. Gough and Mr. Bert Horton heartily consratulating them on attaining 25 years' marlied bliss.

## DISS, NORFOLK,

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On TMesday. Angrst ${ }^{3}, 1973$, in Thee Howes and Nime Mintetes, At The (hurch wf St. Magy,
A PEAL OF GRAHDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAMEES I
Taylor's Six-Part.
A. R. Sownen
W. Ireland

Tenor 24 cwt .
A. G. Benvington . ...Treble $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { G. Archer } . . . & \ldots & \ldots & . . . & 5 \\ \text { J. Smitir } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 6 \\ \text { J. Sorter } & . . . & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 7\end{array}$
The peal was arranged for A. G. Bennington, who hails from London.

## LISCARD, CHESHIRE.

'lIIE CHFSTFR DIOCESAN GUILD. (Wirral Branch.)
 At the Chtirch of St. MAry,
A PEAL OF BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES; Tenor 16 cut.
*Alfred Howard ... ...Titble Thomas H. Ashley Drvid Hughes... Fowarn w, Deitow tWiclisa IJoghes Hemry Williams ..... .5 - C Compon 1 Albert Woosmam ... ... Temor Composed by B. Anwable, and
Conducted by Thomas Murray.
First peal. + First peal with a bols bell. Rumg, with the bells mufiter] as a memorial peal to the late Mrs. Maitand Vood, wife of the Ven. Archdeacon Maitland Wood, who was formerly Vicar of this parish.

CLENT, wORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Northern Branch.)
On Tuesday, August 5, 1913, in Two Howrs and Forty-seun Moudes. At the Chorch of St. Leonard.
A PEAL OF STEGMAN TRIPLES, 50AD CHANGES;
'Thurstans' Foor-Part.

| William Shilvock |
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| William Short... |
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Arthur Chameers ... ... 3 Alfred Davies ...... ... + John Bass... ... ... ... 7 Conducted by Samorl Grove

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK,
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Tmesday, Augnst 5, 1913. in Two Hons and Fifly-nthe Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT EOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANEES;

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\text { Tenor } 15 \frac{1}{2} \text { cwf. }
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| Albert Fieming | '7\% | ...Tyeblo | William P. Garrett |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| James Motis | ... | 2 | Charles A. Catchpore. |
| Edgar Pemberton | ... | .. 3 | Adolphos Roberts... |
| Willam Motts... | $\ldots$ | 4 | Robert H. Bramdle | Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and

Conducted by James Motis.
The peal was arranged and rung especially to oblige Mr. Adolphus Roberts, who belongs to the St. Michael's Society, Stoke Cowentry. and who was spending lis holiday in the Ipswich district. Mr. Albert Fleming, who hails fron Witneslam, near Ipswich, a busy ringing centre in former years, kindly rang the treble, this being his first attempt in the method on the treble.

## KETTERTNG, NORTHANTS

THF CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thesday, Angusi 5, 1913, in Three Howrs and Nime Minutes, At the Chirrch of SS. Peter ant Padl.
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES; Thorstans Four-Part.
Miss Evelys Sterie ...Tyeble Charles W. Bra ... ... 5 Arther Payne ... ... ... 2 Matthias Hobes ... ... 3 Arther Peititt ... ... 4 Alfred Fnigets ... .... Tenor Conducted by Walter Perkins.
First peal in the method and first peal of Stedman rurg in the county by a lady. Arranged especially for Miss Steele and W. Perkins, who hail from Bedford and irthlingboro' respectively.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDTAND COENTIES ASSOCLATION. (Darley Dale Socrety.)
On Wednesday, Angest 6, 1913, in Tivo Hours and Fify-scuta Minntes, At the Chorch of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF ST, SHMON $S$ TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES Tenor 17 cwt.
John Siddall, Junr.... ...Treble James L. Wright ... ... 5 Wilelam Taylar ... ... 2 Edwin Blackwale ... Henry Gregory … ... 3 Alpred C. Wriget ... 7 Thomss White ... ... .... \& Johs W. Derbyselre ... Tenor Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by Azfred C. Wright.
First peal in the method on the bells, by all the band, and by the Association.

## WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBEREAND.

THE DURJAA AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.
On TVoduestay, Angust ©, 1073, in Thre Hours und Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Paul,
A PEAL UF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;
Tenor $17 \mathrm{cwt} .\mathrm{t} \mathrm{qr}^{\mathrm{r}}$, in E .

| -Arthor Payne... ... | Treble | Rouert Gorton |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *George R. Harrison |  | Joserph A. Gofion |
| Roberi W. Falconer | 3 | R. Alder Gofton |
| John G. Green | .. 4 | Thomas | John G. Green ... ... 4 Thomas T. Gofion... ... Temor

Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by Josepe A. Gorion.
"First peal of Major. First peal in the mellod on the bells.

## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, Aupust 7, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Twenty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;


## CRAYFORD, KENT. <br> THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes. At the Church of St. Padlinus,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.
*William Audsley ... ...Treble Isalic Emery ... ......${ }_{2}$ George Povey ... ... 3 Fredk. W. Richardson... 4 William Floyd

> Conducted by Edwin Barnett, Senr.

* First peal.


## SALLE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, August 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt .
George H. Cross ... ...Treble | George Howchin ... ... 5
Frank R. Copeman ... ... 2 Bertie J. Howchin ... 6
George Moy ... ... ... 3 John Moy ... ... ... ... 7
A. G. Bennington ... ... 4 Frederick J. Howchin ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by G. H. Cross.
Arranged for A. G. Bennington, of Deptford.

## HECKINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, August 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 Changes ; Tenor 20 cwt .
William Dickinson ...
Walter H. Wood ...
..Treble Arthur Hague... John T. Holmes
Christopher Ward ... Composed by J. Reeves, and
Conducted by Albert H. Ward.

* First peal and first attempt.


## NORWICH

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, August 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael Coslany,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.


SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifiy-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHAHCES;
Tenor 8 cwt . I qr. 20 lbs

| John Aldis, Senr. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Theble | Alfred G. Bennington | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- |
| George Howchin | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Charles F. Woods... | .. |


| Frank R. Copeman ... | .. | 3 | Ernest Lincoln | $\ldots$ | .. | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frederick J. Howchin | ... | 4 | William Steele | ... | ... Temop |  |

Frederick J. Howchin $\ldots$... ${ }^{4}$ William Harrison, and
Composed
Conducted by William Steele.
TODMORDEN, LANCS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
(Rochdale and Rossendale Branches.)
On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Unitarian Church,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

## Tenor $\mathrm{r}_{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Edward Schofield... ...Treble Stanley Pickup ... ... 5
Loke Suthers... ... ... 2 .James Whitehead ... ... 6
*Hugh Reynolds ......$\quad 3$ William Ashworth ... 7 .
Herbert Davenport ... 4 William Crabtree... ...Tenop Composed by J. Reeves, and
Conducted by William Crabtree.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor It is 42 years since there was a peal of Major rung on the bells.


## HENLEY, SUFFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.
On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COERT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES ; Tenor 8 cwt. o qr. 3 lbs ., in A flat.
Edward Evans ... ... ...Tyeble Edgar Pemberton ... ... ${ }^{2}$ Rev. William C. Pearson 2 James Motis ... ... ... 6 William Motts... ... ... 3 •Rev. Everard S. Powell 7 Robert H. Brundle ... 4 Charles A. Catchpole...Tenoy Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and Conducted by J. Motts.

* First peal in the method.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Lawrence,
a peal of double norwich gourt bob major, 5120 Changes : Tenor izs cwt.
*William Bibby ... ...Treble Rev. H. S. T. Richardson 5
-Thomas Murray ... ... 2 Edwin H. Lewis ... ... 6 .
George R. Newton ... 3 William Davies...$\quad$... 7
E. Maurice Atkins ... 4 Harry Chapman ... ... Tenor Composed by C. H. Hattersley, and
Conducted by Rev. H. S. T. Richardson.

- First peal in the method. Rung for the Patronal Festival. For calling see C.C. Collection No. 175 .

BIGGLESWADE, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Biggleswade Branch.)
On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

John W. Barker
...Treble
†Edmund J Hobs ... ...T 2 Charles A. Pratt ... ... 5 John Hare $\quad . . \quad . . . \quad 3-1 .$. †Horace H. Smith ... ... 4 *Edward Hussey...

Composed by J. J. Parker, and
Conducted by J. W. Barker.

* First peal. + First peal in the method. First peal on the bells which were recast and rehung, and three memorial bells added (given by local residents) to complete the octave, by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. J. W. Jaarker belongs to Bedford, Smith and Hobbs to Husborne Crawley, J. Hare to Hitchen, J. W. Mayes to Old Warden, C. A. Pratt, E. Hussey and F. Blood to Biggleswade.


## HERSHAM, SURREY. <br> THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter, <br> A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES ;

| James Hunt ... ... ...Tveble | John S. Goldsmith |
| :---: | :---: |
| Ernest Pye ... ... ... 2 | Reuben Sanders ... ... 6 |
| Charles T. Coles ... $\cdots 3$ | Alfred W. Grimes |
| Isamic G. Shade... ... ... 4 | William Pye ... ... ... T |
| Composed by Art | r Knights, and |
| Conducted by | William Pye. |
| ristol on the be | After the peal the band were |
| mptuously entertained | Vaux (churchwarden), to whom | sumptuously entertained by Mr. F. L. Vaux (churchwarden), to whom a cordial vote of thanks was passed.

## POOLE, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Chorch of St. James,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES; 5040 CHANGES । Thorstans' Four-Part.

Tenor ig $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
A. F. Martin Stewart... 5 Willam A Garrard 2 Charles W. Goodenodgh 6 William A. Garrard … 3 Willam E. Garrard ... 7 Harold James ... ... ... 4 Alfred Osman... ... ... Tenor Conducted by W. E. Garrard.
This is the first peal in the method by Harold James, who is 18 years of age, and it was his first attempt. He is also thought to be the first native of Poole to ring a peal of Stedman. The peal was arranged for Messrs. Garrard on the occasion of a visit to the district.

## LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (Late the St. Jahes' Society.)
On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary, Lambeth, S.E.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thdrstans' Four-Part.
Tenor 20 cwt .

Robert R. Green ... ...T Treble | Lawrence B. Porter ... 5 Walter G. Matthews ... 2 Henry Mance ... | Frank A. Smith | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | Frederick J. Hardy | $\cdots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Henry Y. Golvlett... ... 4 Richard N. Runham ...Tenor Conducted by Frederick J. Hardy.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. William Hardy (brother of the conductor) and Miss Alice Witcher.

## PRIVETT, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Three Hou's, At the Church of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-Part.
*Reginald Routh ... ...Treble
 Hubert Chaffey ... ... 2 Alpred R. Elkins, R.E. 5 †Alfred J. Croucher ...
 - First peal, $\dagger$ First peal of Triples. $\ddagger$ First peal of Triples with a bob bell. \&First peal on eight bells. Arranged and rung as a 20th birthday compliment to A. R. Elkins.

## S.ANDHURST, GLOUCESTEIRSHIRE.

GIOUCESTER AND RRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Tio Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF BOB RHAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;
*Walter Pugh ... ... ...Treble |'George Condick, Senr.... 5
 $\begin{array}{lllll:l}\text { John W. Jones } & . . . & . . & 3 & \text { Ex-Sergt. J. Willians... } 7 \\ \text { Jesse Gillett ... } & \ldots & \ldots & 4 & \text { Arthur S. Boar ... }\end{array}$

Composed by Horace Howlett, and
Conducted by Thomas Newman.

* First peal of Bob Major.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

BLAXHALL, SUFFOLK.
On Thursday, July 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

In five methods, being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford Delight and Bob Minor, and two 720 's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 9 cwt .
Ernest Hammond ... ...Tyeble Alfred Ling ... ... ... 4
James Starling...... Alderman Ling... ... ... 3 William Sawyer ... ... Tenor Conducted by W. Sawyer.

BLAXHALL, SUFFOLK.
On Thursday, July 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAHCES;

In tive Minor methods, being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford Delight and Bob Minor, and two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Ernest Hammond ... ...Tveble $\mid$ James Starling $\quad . .$.
 Conducted by W. Sawyer.

## CALVERTON, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(North Bucks Branch.)
On Saturday, August 2, 1913, in Two Hou's and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being. 720 each of York, London and Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, College Exercise, London Scholar's Pleasure, and Oxford. Tenor II cwt.

Walter W. Bonham ...Treble Albert J. Green ... ... 4 | Herbert C. Edwards | $\ldots$ | 2 | Thomas C. Tompkins | ... | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Edwin Yates | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Cecil A. Valentine | $\ldots$ Tenor | Conducted by Cecil A. Valentine.

## LISS, HANTS

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minuies, At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF RINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of College Single, two of Canterbury Pleasure, two of Oxford Single Bob, and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

*John Woolacott ... ...Tyeble Charles Edwards ... ... 4 | Alfred J. Crodcher | $\ldots$ | 2 | †Alfred R. Elkins .... .... 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Hobert Chaffey | ... | $\ldots$ | 3 | Corpl. G. Gilbert, R.E. I enor | Conducted by Charles Edwards.

* First peal. † First peal with a bob bell. First peal upon the bells.


## OLD ALRESFORD, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Two Howrs and Forty-seven Minuses At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, College Single, Oxford Single Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor ro cwt. 3 qr. 7 lbs., in G.

| Alfred R. Elkins | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Tyeble | Hubert Chaffey... | $\ldots$ | 4 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Albert Croucher | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Corpl. G. Gllbert. R. | E. | 5 | | Albert Croucher ... |
| :--- |
| Alf. |
| Alfred J. Croucher |
| ... |

Conducted by Charles Edwards.
First peal on the bells.

BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, at the Parish Chorch,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Grandsire, College Single and Oxford Bob, and two 720 's each of Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 星 cwt. *Robert Semmers ... ...Treble Allen Gwynne John Bevay … 2 Edward Summers ... $\cdot \cdots \begin{aligned} & 4\end{aligned}$
 Conducted by William Poston.

* First peal away from tenor as cover. † First peal on inside bell. WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
S. Ellis ... ... ... ...Tveble | W. Lever... ... ... ... 4 J. Spalding... $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ W. C. Ayers ... ... ... 5 A. G. Bennington ... ... 3 J. Larter ... ... ... $\ldots$...Tenor Conducted by J. Larter.
* First peal. Mr. A. G. Bennington hails from London, the others belong to local towers.

MAXEY, NORTHANTS.
TTHE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven tzo's differently called. Tenor 15 cwt .
Frank Dainti...$\quad$...... Treble $\mid$ Oswald Richardson.. .4 John J. Jutson ... ... ... 2 -Francis Davis ... ... ... 5 William Waldron ... ... 3 George Jutson ... ...Tenor Conducted by G. Jutson.

* First peal. First peal on tower bells by ringer of treble away from tenor behind. This is the first peal on the bells since June xith, 1849.

STONY STRATEORD, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(North Bucks Branch.)
On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Giles,

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

Being 720 each of College Pleasure, College Exercise, London Scholars* Pleasure, Violet, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. *Charles J. Tyrell... ...Tyeble Walter W. Bonham ... 4 Edwin Yates ...... Thomas C. Tomprins ... 3 Cecil A. Valentine ...Tenor Conducted by Cecil A. Valentine.

* First peal of Treble Bob.


## BEDFORD.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tuestay, August 5, 1913, in Three Honrs,
At the Church of St. Peter dé Merton,
A PEAL OF treble bOb minor, 5040 chances;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, College
Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Violet, Oxford and Kent. Tenor 13 cwt ,
Walter W. Bonham ...Tveble $\mid$ William Stapleton ... 4 Hapy W Gayton ... ... 2 Thomas C Tompkins
Edwin Yates $. . . \quad . .$. Conducted by Cecil A. Valentine.
Messrs. Yates and Tomplins were elected members of the Association previous to starting.

STANTON-BY-DALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, August 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Sandliacre Pleasure, Double Oxford, Double Court, Double Bob, Oxford and Kent, and Plain Bob. Tenor ro cwt. William Thoriley ... ...Tieble Arthur Freeman ... ... 4 William Halford ... ... 2 Henry W. Wilde ... ... 5 Joseph Hall ... ... ... 3 Ed Eward C. Gobey ... ... Tenor Conducted by Edward C. Gobey.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Single, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

Tenor If $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in F sharp.
*Herbert A. Holden ...Treble |*Mus.Vict. A. Jarrett, r.e. 4 Frederick Hayes ... ... 2 *Corpl. J. Bennett, r.m.l.i. 5 Guy R. Ambrose ... ... 3 | Frederick M. Mitchell Tenor Conducted by Frederick M. Mitchell.

* First peal in seven methods. This peal was arranged for Messrs, V. A. Jarrett and J. Benneti, of Chatham, and H. A. Holden, of Meopham, the others being members of the local band. It was rung: as a birthday compliment to Frederick Hayes.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK. THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.
On Thursday, July 31, 1913, in Two Howrs and Twenty-two Mitutes, In the Belfry of the Norman Tower,
A PEAL OF BOB WAJOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Frederick G. Dewell... 1 - $\mathbf{2} \left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { Harry A. Turner... ... 5-6. }\end{aligned}\right.$
Frank J. Levitt ... ... 3-4 James Chinery ... ... $7-8$
Composed by Juhn Carter, and
Conducted by Freverick G. Dewell. Umpire: Ernest Hunt.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK. THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION and The st. Janes' SOCIETY.
On Wednesday, August 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes, In the Belfry of the Norman Tower,
A PEAL OF KENt treble bOS major, 5088 Changes ;
Frederick G. Dewell... I-2 John Sparrow
Harry A. Turner... ... 3 - $4 \mid$ Frank J. Leviti...
Composed by N. J. Pitsiow, and Conducted by Frank J. Levitx. Umpire: Alfred Ely.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS; SUFFOLK THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY
On Thursiday, August 7, 1913, in Tu: Hours and Eighteen Minutes, In the Belfry of the Norman Tower,
A PEAL OF bOB MAJOR, 5056 GNANGES;
Alfred Ely ... ... ... i-2 Harry A. Turner... ... 5-6,
Frederick G. Deiwell... 3-4 4 Frank J. Levitt ... ... 7-8.
Composed by H. J. Tucker, and
Conducted by Frank J. Levitt.
Umpire: William Goodship.
KETTERING, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes, At 7, The Broadway,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

- Walter Perkins... ... 1 - ${ }^{2}$ | David J. Nichols... ... 5-6.
J. Edward Chapman ... 3-4 $\begin{aligned} & \text { 3-4 } \\ & \text { Federick W. Sawfoot 7-8. }\end{aligned}$

Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by David J. Nichols.
First peal away from the tenors.

## A LEICESTERSHIRE TOUR.

The following peals were rung during a holiday tour in Leicestershire.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. <br> On Saturday, August 2, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANLES;
Tenor io cwt.

| *Miss Hilda F. Willson...Tyeble | Frank Bennett | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| James Houghton ... ... 2 | E. Maurice Atrins.. | - 6 |
| William H. Fussell ... 3 | - John Oldham ... | 7 |
| William J. Nevard ... 4 | William Willson | Tenor | Composed by Henry Dains, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.

* First attempt in the method.


## SHEPSHED, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, August 3, 1913, in Two Fiours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Botolph,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH COURT BOE MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES ; Tenor 14 cwt ., in F .
William H. Fussell
Harry Whittle
..Treble William Willson ... ... 5
... 2 Frank Bennett - ... ... 6
Edivard Jackson ... $\cdots \frac{. . .}{} 3$ John Oldam .... ... ... 7
Composed by Arthur Knights, and
Conducted by Frank Bennett.
Rung as a farewell peal to Edward Jackson, on his return to Western Canada. The company desire to thank the Vicar, Rev. W. D. Gee-Clarke, M.A., for the use of the bells.

## LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes, On the Royal Memorial Bells of St. John the Divine,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

## Tenor 21 cwt., in $E$

| *Miss Hilda Willson | $\ldots$. Tveble | Frank Bennett | ... | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William H. Fussell | ... | 2 | E. Maurice Atkins | ... | 6 | William J. Nevard ... 3 Albert P. Wakley ... 7 James Houghton

6
Villiam Willson ... ...TTeno

Composed by C. Middleton, and
Conducted by Frank Bennett.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.


## LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION,
On Monday, August 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes At the Church of St. Mark,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Rev. C. D. P. Davies.
Harri Thorpe...
William J. Nevard
William Shercliff
William H. Fussell

Tenor 23 cwt .
FRANK BENNETT ... $\cdots 5$
William G. Thorpe ... 6
James Houghton ... $\quad . .7$
William Willson ... ...Tenos Conducted by Frank Bennett.
First peal in the method.
LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, August 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes, At the Church of All Saints

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS 5011 CHANCES;

 Tenor 30.2 cwt., in $D$ flat.[^51]\author{
STANFORD-ON-SOAR, NOTTINGHAM. <br> THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION <br> On Tucsday, August 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, <br> At the Church of St. John the Baptist, <br> A PEAL DF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; <br> \section*{Tenor 16 cwt .} <br> 

Mr. A. Barnes, of Reddish, writes that the peal at Widnes, on A'dgust 2nd, was the first peal by the Association, and of Major in Lancashire, in which a lady had taken part, and adds his congratulations to Miss Gillingham on her success.

## APPEALS.

Writing from Corse Vicarage, Hartpury, S.O., the Rev. F. Vernon White requests us to acknowledge the following sums in answer to his appeal for funds towards the restoration of the tower: North Forest branch of tine Gleucestar and Eristol Association, 10s.; Newent ringers, $5 s$. ; Mrs. Fielding, St. Michael's, Newent, 2s. 6d.; Capt. C. F. Jerram, R.M.L.I., H.M.S. Exmcuth 2s. 6d. Further donations will be most thankfully received.

We would also remind our readers of the appeal for help towards the restoration of Rayne bells: and of the urgent need there is for assistance in the case of Mrs. F. A. Nunn and her three young children, left unprovided for by the tragic death of Mr. Nunn. Subscriptions to this latter fund should be sent to "F.R.," care of the Rev. F. Rice, the Vicarage, St. Ann's Road, South Tottenham. The treasurer acknowledges with thanks 5 s . from Capt. C. F. Jerram, R.M.L.I.

## PRESENTATION.

On Saturday week some of the old ringing friends of Mr. Frank Sharp, now of London, but until lately captain of the Marden (Kent) band, met at Marden to attempt a peal of Bob Major. As recorded in our last issue, this was successfully accomplished. At the conclusion of the ringing, the Vicar (the Rev. R. E. Johnston) visited the belfry, and presented a valuable silver watch and chain to MIr. Sharp, who had been one of the principal advisers in getting Marden bells restored, ard increased from sir to eight. The Vicar spoke of the great assistance Mr. Sharp had been in the ringing at Marden, and of the pleasure it gave him (the Vicar) to make the presentation.-Mr. Sharp, who was taken completely by supprise, thanked the Vicar and ringers for their gift, which, he said, would constantly remind him of the many pleasant hours spent in Marden belfry.-The watch is inseribed: " Presented to F. Sharp, as a memento of faithful services as captain of bell ringers for 14 years at the Parish Church of Niarden. Kent, August 2nd, 1913.'

## OFF TO NEW ZEALAND.

To-day the s.s. "Athenic" bears away from our shores another ringer who will strengthen the ranks of the band of Auckland-Mr. C. J. Hamblin, of Woking, and formerly of Hersham, Surrey, sailing with his wife and two daughters, to join his two sons, who are already in New Zealand. Mr. Hamblin is one of the original band formed at Hersham when the bells were put in about twelve years or so ago. Always a regular attendant at service ringing and practice, he has been able to render valuable help at the belfries in the district, and his departure will be much regretted. Mr. Hamblin takes with him the best wishes of a large circle of ringing friends in West 太urrey, who were anxious to give him some tangible token of their regard. He has, however, had to leave England before the gift-a gold bell pen-dant-was ready for presentation, and it will be forwarded to him. Mr. Hamblin has ming quite a number of peals, up to Double Norwich, and it was some source of disappointment that he was unable to ring a peal of Superlative before his departure. On Suuday, two quarter-peals were rung as a farewell. In the morning, at Oatiands, 1299 Stedman Triples was rung in 43 mins., by: F. E. Dawe 1, W. Shepherd (conductor) 2, H. Walters 3, J. B. Hessey 4, C. J. Hamblin 5, F. G. Shepherd 6, F. J. Shepherd 7, A. E. Gray 8. In the evening a quarter-peal of Bob Major was rung, in 43 mins., at Hersham, by: G. Wdsar, senc.. 1, A. Woodinow 2, O. J, Hamblin 3, F. J. Shepherd 4. W. Shepherd (conductor) 5, W. A. Wroodrow 6, A. F. Shepherd 7, J. Emery 8.

## MEARS \& <br> Foundiry Establlshed <br> A.D. 1570.

## STAINBANK,

Bellfounders \& Bellhangers, 32 \& 34, Whitechapel Road, LONDON, E.


THE TENOR BELL. SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL, Weight, 50 cwt. 0 qr. 21 lbs .
This bell was recast, and the peal of twelve rehung by us in September, 1911. Since then the following peals have been rung on the bells:-
Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the College Youths.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association.
Cambridge Surbrise Maximus by the College Youths.
Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birming-
ham, on May 11th; 1912.
Stedman Cinques by the Mrãdlesex Association, June 1st.
Stedman Cinques by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17th.
Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the Kent Association, December 7th, 1912.

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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

## MR. WILLIAM SHORT.

There is no more popular figure in the Midlands, and certainly no more able ringer on all numbers of bells from five to twelve, than the valued instructor to the Hereford Diocesan Guild, Mr. William Short, who rang his 6ooth peal on Bank Holiday. There are many things necessary to make a successful instructor, patience and perseverance being no less in importance than skill, and of all these Mr. Short is possessed to a large degree. He has spent eleven winters in raising the standard in both methods and striking, and the results of his work are to be found in many towers in the diocese. Of a genial but retiring disposition, Mr. Short has made for himself a host of friends, and the Hereford Guild is indeed fortunate in having as the occupant of such an important office one so well versed in the practical side of the Art. Mr. Short was born at Pershore on Easter Day, 1868 , but his first experince in ring-


Mr. W. Short.
ang was gained at Clent in 1887 , the year after he had left his native heath. His first visit to a belfry was on Jubilee Day, and he was taken in hand by Mr. Thomas Barber (the father of Messrs. John and M. H. Barber), with four others, and taught to ring. Their first 720 was scored in March, 1888, and the first peal of Triples on November $24^{\text {th }}$ in the same year, the first by all except the conductor, Mr. Henry Martin, of Belbroughton. Having no conductor in their band, Mr. Short was given some tips and conducted a peal of Grandsire Triples in the following January and a peal of seven Minor methods in December, white on the Boxing Day he conducted a peal in seven methods and another of Grandsire Triples-two peals in a day at that time being very rarely rung.

In 1890 Mr . Short went to London, and during a stay of If months rang 4 peals, including the first peal of Minor in the Metropolis, which he conducted at St. Michael's, Wood Green ; the sccond peal of Cambridge Surprise rung in London and Grandsire Triples at Windsor Castle, the only one rung there in the last century. Returning to Kidderminster he rang. Superlative, Double Oxford and

Duffield, and going to Birmingham in 1895 , he rang his first peals of Stedman Caters, Kent Maximus and Stedman Cinques. In January, 1899 , he was elected Ringing Master of St. Martin's Guild. During his occupancy of the office the first peals of Double Norwich, Double Oxford, Superlative and Cambridge were rung in the city, and the first of London for the Guild was rung at Kidderminster, conducted by Mr. William Pye. This was Mr. Short's first peal of London, and his next was the record 14, II2 at King's Norton. In 1899 he took part in the first peal of Stedman Caters and the first peal of Royal in Ireland, and on a subsequent visit conducted the first peal of Treble Ten in Erin, and rang in the first Surprise peal rung out of England-Superlative-at Bray. On the return journey he called the only peal that has ever been rung on the sea, a peal of Stedman Caters on SS. "Cambria" between Dublin and Holyhead, and the same day rang in the first Surprise peal in Walles-New Cambridge-at Bangor.

In addition to the record peal of London, Mr. Short has taken part in several other long lengths, including the record II, II I Stedman Cinques, which he conducted; $10, I 76$ Double Oxford; 9,328 Superlative ; 8,888 Stedman Caters, on handbells; and 7,392 Double Norwich. Among his other noteworthy performances have been the first peal of Major (Double Norwich) at Pershore. This he conducted, as well as having called the quickest peal of Major, rung in 2 hours 35 minutes, and taken part in the quickest peal of Minor, in 2 hours i 7 minutes, on tower bells. Of his 600 peals 230 have been rung for the Worcestershire Association, about 200 for St. Martin's Guild and 102 for the Hereford Guild. The others have been rung for the Cumberlands, Middlesex, Midland Counties, Stafford, Salop and Gloucester and Bristol Associations. In addition to the peals which go to make up the 600, Mr. Short has had the misfortune to take part in false peals of Stedman Cinques and Caters, Cambridge, Double Norwich and Treble Bob Major.
Stedman Triples Rung.
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Grandsire Doubles37
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Cambridge Surprise Major ..... I7
London Surprise Major ..... 14
Five Methods Minor ..... 9
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Double Oxford Major
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Forward MajorGrandsire MajorI
Stedman Doubles ..... I
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Kent Minor
Canterbury Triples
Union Triples.Total600

These peals have been rung in 165 towers (in 107 of which Mr. Short has conducted peals) in 22 counties in. England, Ireland and Wales.

## ODD CHANGES.

The handsome peal board, executed by Messrs. Caspar and Co., recording the ladies' peal at Cubitt Town, has been placed in the tower, where it awaits the unveiling ceremony, which will be performed by Canon J. G. Simpson, of St. Paul's, on October 4th. The Vicar (the Rev. E. Hartley) is taking the utmost interest in the proceedings. Full particulars as to arrangements will be published in due course.

The marriage of Mr. T. Faulkner while Master of the College Youths recalls the fact that it is a rare occurrence for a President or Master of any ringing society to be married during his term of office. Mr. Martin Stewart joined the benedicts a year or so ago while Master of the Salisbury Guild, but we have to go back twenty years to find an instance of the Master of the College Youths married in office. This was Mr. F. E. Dawe, who was wedded on October $7^{\text {th, }}$ r893, at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, where a fine peal of Stedman Cinques was rung in the evening, under the conductorship of the late Mr. J. Pettitt. St. Bride's Church was selected because it was the only twelve-bell tower in the city where the bells could be " fired."

Ringers visiting Shrevsbury from August 20th to 22nd and desiring to ring should communicate with Mr. C. R. Lilley, 63 , King Street. St. Chad's Society will be pleased to meet visitors, and ringing can be arranged at St. Michael's ( 6 bells) on August 2oth, St. Mary's on the 21st, and St. Chad's on the 22 nd at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

## THE SUGGESTED APPEAL TO MR. CARNEGIE. To the Editor

Dear Sir,-I wa, very intercested and pleased to see your anticle last week on the sugyested appeal to MTr. Carnegie, and perhaps more so to see you are dwelling on the subject again this week. I have been down to Yarmouth and Gorleston this holiday, and met many ringers there, and all those to whom I mentionod the matter seemed to like the idea very much. There is no doubt that the Central Council are the people who ought to try and move in the matter by setting the ball rolling, and who knows but what we may have among our clergy some wio are personal friends of Mr. Carnegie, and whose influence might help to brirg success. I certainly hope to keep the ringers in this district interested in the matter, and do what little I can, and I only hope that success may be our reward.-Sincerely yours,

FREDK. KILborn
Desborough, August Yih.

## PETERBOROUGH \& DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

The anmual meeting of the Peterborough and District Association was held at Peterborough on Bank Holiday, when members attended from Yaxley, Maxey, Wisbech, Whittlesea and Pinchbeck, with the local companies. Among the visitors were the Rev. E. V. Cox (Walsall), Messrs. York Green (London), Fourt (Isham) Giddings (March), Miss D. Steele (Bedford), etc.

The service was held at St. John's Church, and conducted by the Rev. M. A. Tester, who also gave the address. A good company afterwards sat down to tea at the Bedford Cafe, the proceedings being presided over by the Rev. Canon Bury, stupported by the Rev. E. V. Cox, Mr. F. T. Cooke (secretary), etc.

The business meeting followed, the chair being taken by the Very Rev. the Dean of Peterborongh, supported by Canon Bury, Mr. W. Chattle, Mr. R. Gamble, etc. The report and balance sheet were acoepted. The former recorvled that nine peals had been rung since list December, the Wisbech band being highly commended for the progress they had made during the last twelve months, while Mr. G. Jutson, conductor of the St. Mary's company, Peterborough, was also congratulated. The balance sheet showed roccipts $£ 918 \mathrm{~s}$. 1 d ., and expenses $£ 314 \mathrm{~s}$. 6 d ., leaving a balance of $£ 63 \mathrm{~s} .7 \mathrm{~d}$. The number of honorary and ringing mombers is now about 100 .

Mr. F. T. Cooke resignod the office of secretary, being umable to give the necessary time required, and Mr. J. J. Jutson was unanimously elected to suoceed: him.-Mr. G. Jutson voiced the feeling of the meeting, in expressing regret at Mr. Cooke's resignation, and proposed a hearty vote of thanks to him for his services during the two years of office. The other officers and committee were re-clectedl, with the addi tion of Mr. Cooke and Mr. O. Richurdson to the latter.
Mr. Ralph Narborough, the society's represontative on the Central Council, gave an excellent report of the proccedings. With reforence to the Lidies' Guild, it was felt that they should be represented on the Council as soon as their number warranted it.
The sum of $£ 1$ was volod to the fund for restoring St. Mary's tower, Wittlesea.
A vote of thanks to the Dean and the clergy for the use of the bells concluded the meeting.

The methods rung during the day were a peal of Bob Minor at Mrxey in the early morning; Bob and Grandsire. Doubles at the Cathodral; Plain and Treble Bob Major and Grandsire Triples at St Joln's; Oxford and Kent, Double Oxford, Double Court and Plain Bob Minor, at St. Mary's.

## CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKS ASSOCIATION meering at middlesbrough.

A special meeling of the Cleveland and North Ycrkshire Association was held on Bank Holiday, at Middlesbrough, the assembly numbering about 40. The bells of the Parish Church were at the disposal of ringers from one o'clock, but pricr to this a mixed band succeeded in recording a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major at Old Ormesby, a pictaresque little village, about three miles from "smoky Middlesbrough." Ringers were present in the afternoon from Bedale, Hemingborcugh Harske, Middleham, Middlesbrough, Ormesby, Ripon, Skelton, Stockton, West Hartlepool, Pateley Bridge, and these had the additional pleasure of the company of a band of ringers from Shipley, who were spending the week-end in the neighbourhoorl. Tea was provided at the Clifton Commercial Hotel, Middlesbrough, presided over by the President (the Rer. W. P Wright), who was supported by VicePresident Dr. II. C. Pauli, tho Rev. J. C. C. Kern (Vicar of Ormesby) Mr. Cyril F. Johnston (Croydon), and Mr. T. Metcalfe, secretary.
After tea, the loyal toast was duly honorred, and the President of the Association (the Rev. W. P. Wright) said how pleascel ho was that the Middlesbrough band had re-joined their Association. He explained that it was in order to welcomo then that the meeting had been ar ranged. He hoped that tho Middlesbrough band would again becomo what it was in the days of okl: " $\Lambda$ towor of strength to the Associa-tion."-Mr. F. G. Laverick respond on belalf of the Middlesbrough ringers, and thankod the Association for their kind welcome and good wishes.
Mr. Cyril Johnston was electod a life member of the Association, and Mr. J. W. Passman, of Midillesbircugh. an ordinary member.
The Shipley ringers, thrgugh Mr. A. MoFarlane, of Mindlesbrough expressed thair appraciation of the courtesy shown to them by the members of the Association:
The belfry was again visited, and several well-stimuck touches were brought round. Theso included Plain Z3ob, Oxford and Kent Troblo Bob, Stedman, Dcuble Norwich and Superlatire.

## FALSE COMPOSITIONS.

## To the Eilitor.

Sir,-I beg to apologise to two bands for laking part in two false peals: one at Worsley, Lancashire, on April 11th, 1912, and the other at Widford, Essex, on August 51h, 1913. Both were Double Norwich, by Mr. A. Knights, and both cunducted by me. - Yours fathfully,
W. KEEBLE


York Minster.

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## A PLUCKY BUT UNLUCKY RINGER.

Many ringing friends of Ernest C. Hunt, formerly of Kidderminster, who migrated to the United States some years ago, will sympathise with him in the misfortune that has overtaken him while following his employment at the Bush and Terry Carpet Manufactory. Mr. Hunt, who is 39 years of age, while working overtime on the night of March 15th, 1912, was using the elevator, and had conveyed a loaded truck down to the third floor of the factory. During his absence a fellow employe pulled the elevator back to the fornth floor without giving him any warniug, and when returning in the dark, Mr. Hunt stepped into the ehaft. He fell to the bottom and received terrible injuries, as a result of which he lost the use of his legs (one of them has since baen ampatated), and suffered impairment of his digestive organs. It is feared that he will never rise from an invalid's chair. His wife was compelled to go to work to keep him and his two children, the millowners refusing to help him. A young lawyer, named Danicl O'Connel, however, took nup the case for compensation, which was tried in the district count of Philadelphia, and Mr. Hunt has recently been awarded 7,500 dollars (about $£ 1,250$ ). He was an excellent fellow and a most willing ringer, always ready for a peal, although he had only his thumb and little finger on his left hand. The latter he used as a hook through the eud of the rope. He has rung the 7th at Kidderminster to several peals, including the longest on the bells. Fis peals number about 70 , in most methods from Giandsire to London.

## WINCHESTER GUILD.

The usual all-day meeting of the Yorktown District was held on Angust Bank Holiday, and the fine weather was the means of bringing plenty of visitors to the various towers during the day. Ringing was commencal at Herzham at 10.15 a.m., and, after touches in rarious methods had been burought round, a move was made to Walton, some going by cycle and others on foot. Here there was an hour's ringing before dinnor. At 2.30 the new peal of eight at Oatlands Park were raised in peal, and to enable all to hare a pull, the touches were short and sweet. Mr. Neighbour (one of the churchwardens) welcomed the party on bellalf of the Vicar, who was awny, and stayed till the end of the ringing. Haring a desire to hear some changes on ten bells, a course of Grandsire Caters, on handbells, was zing in the chun'chyard, after the tower bells had been lowered in preal. At 3.45 the party proceeded to Chertsey, where ringing took place from 4.30 till 6. Owing to Chertsey being without a Vicar, no elergyman was present at tea, and after justice had been done to an excellent repast, Mr. F. Shepherd, senr., took the chair for the business meeting. -The Ringing Master, in his report, made reference to the loss which the aistrict woukd sustain by the departure of Mr. C. J. Hamblin, who is leaving for New Zealand'-Mr. Ifamblin thanked those present for the kind womds and good wishes expressed, and remarked that What little he had done had beco done purely for the lore of ringing, -Messrs. G. Alder, G. Gigg, F. Smith and J. Sparrow, were elected members, and the meeting closed with the usual votes of thanks.More ringing at the church and some handbell ringing at the meetingroom comelnded a rery pleasant and eujoyable day. lhingers were present during the day from the following places: Hersham, Yorktown, Oatlands, Binfield, Sunbury, Stroatham, Shepperton, Leatherhead, Ewoll, Rothorhithe, Egham, Woking, Burnham, Brockley, Camberwell, Cherteey, Deptford, Epsom, Sutton, and Surbiton. feature of the day's pregramme was the appearance at all four towers of the evergreen Mr. W. Weatherstone, who showed fine form in all the methods rung. One does not often add four now towers to their list in one day, after reaching the age of three score years and ten.

## VICAR'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED.

In celebration of the 86 th birthday of the vonerable Vicar of Easton Neston, Northants (the Rev. R. C. Collins), the bells of the Parish Church were rung on Saturday week, among those taking part being: Messis. F. Wilford, F. Hopper, W. Allen, and Farey (Northampton), Slarke (2), Faulkner, Beesley (2), Sharpe (Easton Nestion), Law and Rollings (Weston Favell), etc. Subsaquently the ringers were cntertainel to tea at the Pomfret Hotel, where they were met and welcomed by the Vicar and Mrs. Collins. After tea, Mr. F. Wilford
proposed the health of the Vicar of Easton Neston, and of Mrs. Collins proposed the health of the Vicar of Easton Neston, and of Mrs. Collins and family. In doing so he said he was voicing the foelings of all those present when he told them how pleased they were to come over
and ring the bells on such an unique occasion as his 86uh birthday. and ring the bells on such an unique occasion as inis 86th birthday. few more years to carry on the good work he was doing amongst them.-Mi. J. Starke alizo anded a few remarks, and said he was thankful that he was able to be presenten onat very enjoyable occasion, to do honour to the Rev. R. C. Collins, a genticman whom he very much respected. The toast was drank with musical honours.-
The Rur. R. C. Collins said how very pleased he was to be present with them. If there were one thing more than another which lifled one up, it was the consolation of having been able to grain the goorl fellowship and kindly feeling of those with whom one had to ministor, and the gathering that evening would remain in his memory as long as he lived.-Handbell ringing was afterwards indulged in, and allogether a rery enjoyable evening was spent.

## SALISBURY GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Devizes Branch was held at St. Michael's Chureh, Melksham, on Saturday. The bells were kept going briskly during the afternoon. Fifteen sat down to tea. A short business meeting followed, presided over by the Rev. H. E. Tilney-Bassett (Master of the Guild), who kindly took the chair, in the absence of the rev. J. A. Sturton, from whom an apology for abscnice had been received. The chairman was supported by Mr. H. Brownlee West (hon, secretary), and ringing members from Swindon, Melksham, Southhwoom, Holt, Westbury, Devizes, Beechingstoke, and Wootton Bassett The two next meeting places were decided upon as follows: September 6 th, Erlestoke (with Edington and Bratton combined), and October 4th, at Bradford-on-Avon.-Mr. West proposed, and Mr.' IIillier seconded, the election of three new members from St. Peter's, Poulshot.-A vote of thanks to the Vicar of Mclkeliam, for the use of the church bells, was proposed by the chairman, seconded lby Mr. W. Mart, and unanimously carricd, and the ringers then adjounved once more to tho tower, where ringing was continued during the evening.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

The Stroud and District Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol As sociation visited the clelightful old village of Cranham for a meet ings, and the result has been that steps are to be taken to organise a local band at the earliest opportunity. Twenty-four members of the branch from Avening, Minchinhampton, Bisley, Stroud, Patinswick ظurnwood, and Cooley, were present, and rang touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bobs on the musical ring of six during the after noon and evening. The Rector (the Rev. II. R. Hanson) conducted servico in the church, and in the course of a practionl address referred to the way in which tho Diccesan Association had linked together the ringers of so many parishes into one great brotherhood, that had been the means of lifting the office of the ringer from a sccular one to that of a most efficient and useful body of chrurch woukers.
After the service, the visitors were entertained to tea at tho Rectory, and the Rector and churchwardens were cordially thanked for their kind hospitality, and the use of the bells. After further ringing, the visitors journeyed to Painswick, where they onjoyed some ringing on the grand old peal of twolve.

## COAL STRIKE IMPROVES RINGING.

## A DERTYYSHIRE VICARS VIEWS

The August meeting of the Sheffield District Socicty, which is al ways allotted to a six-bell tower, was arranced for Beighton, and proved very successful. The Church of St. Mary is a pretty little building, and is very pleasantly situated. The ring of six bells (tenor about 10 cwt.) were found to be in rery fair groing condition, thanks to the efforts of the local company, ihough the bells thomselves could do with the tumer's attention. The day turnal ont beautifully fine, and the attendance was good, abuth 45 ringers turning up from Anston, Beigh ton, Bolsover, Bolsterstone, Croydon, Dronficld, Doneaster, Feclesfield Vickington, Killamarsh, Norton, Ranmoor, Rotherham, Staveley, and Worksop. The bells wewe raised about 3 p.m., and were kept going with intervals till 9 p.m., the striking at times being exceptionally good. The methods rung inchuded Plain Bob, College Single, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Arnold's Victory, London Scholars' Pleasure, and Chester and Londoni Surprise Minor.
A substantial tea was provided in the Schools, by the kindness of the local company, and was attended by the Vicar, the Rev. Maugham, and one of the churchwardens-A short business mecting followed, Mr. G. Halksworth, President (Doneaster) presiding. Mr. T.
Lca (Norton) was clected an ordinary member, and Mr. C. F. Johnston (Croydon) a life momber
A rery hearty vote of thanks to the ricar and chnrchwardens ior granting the use of the bells, to the lacal company for so generously poriding the tea and making all arrangements, ard to the ladies for ferced it the fact that this was the first visit of the society to Beigh ton. He was pleased to note such a large attendance, and also that the Vicar and one of the wardens ware present. He hoped that it world be the first of many such meetings, and that the local com-
cany would stick to their art and make gead progress. -The motion pany wouk stick to their art and mako god progress. The ,
The Rev. -. Maugham, iu responding, said that it was a very great pleasure to him to welcome the society on its first visit to Beighton, and he much appreciated their welcome to himself. He was much stuck with the large attendance, and also with the varcty in ages of
thoss present, showing as it did great interest in the art among those vho practised it. It gave him pleasure to hear such good ringing and he was very glad that his own company were making such good progress, the improvemant in their ringing being vely noticeable. The
beliered that this improvement was in the first case traceable to the recent coal strike, which provided them with plenty of leisure in which to obtain efficiency It was ciften said that Satan finds work for idle handis, but in their cass ab least it was not so. He conchuded by wishing the society every success.
After tea, a move was made for the tower again for more ringing, somo asending it to rnjoy the pleasant view from the top, while others indulged in games of bowls on the Vicarage liwn.

## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

## THROUGH SURREY.

A glorious day among beautiful Surrey scenery was spent by the Mitcham ringers on the occasion of their anmal outing on August 2nd. They began with a touch of Stedman upon their own bells soon after 6 a.m., and then enjoyed a pleasant ride, through the quiet lanee of Morden, Cheam and Ewell, to Epsom. At the old-fashioned "Marquis of Granby "Inn, where Mitchan ringers have assembled anmually for many years, breakfast was senved, before making for St Giles' Church, Ashtead, where several touches were rung. The charming position of this church, situated in Ashtead Park, and surrounded by noble trces, its quictude and restfulness is indeed a pleasant ricmory. Ranmore was tho next objective, and was reached via Leatherhead and Mickleham, and by a sharp and arduous climb to the top of the commanding eminence, from which lovely views are revealed. The Vicar of St. Barnabas had kindly placed the bells at the disposal of the party, and several good touches were rung. Descending the hill, the party came next to Dorking, where they partook of dinner and spent a pleasant hour with friends met on the way.
Touches at St. Martin's and a look round the church and town precodel the resumption of the journey to the quaint and quiet villages of Betchworth and Buckland, at each of which places ringing was indulged in. Then on through Reigate, where tea was enjoyed, to Kingswood, where a last touch was rung. A moonlight ride over Banstead Downs brought a most enjoyable day to a close.

## YORK MINSTER SOCIETY.

The members of the York Minster Society journeyed to Scarborough for their annual outing. A pleasant hour was spent in St. Mary's belfry, tonches of Sledman, Bob Major, and Treble Bob being rung on the bells, whilst the ladies of the party criticised from seats on the Castle Hill close by. The bracing air and exercise had mado everyone ready for tea, at which the President, Mr. T. F. Earnshaw, presided. A bowling match had been arranged for the evening, at the Aloxandra Garden. Greens, and' it very pleasant hour was spent, the form shown by the novices of the company being surprising. After the match the company walked round the noted' Marine Drive, and then epent a social hour together. The Minster City was reached again on the stroke of midnight, after a most enjoyable time. The ringers take this opportunity to thank the Vicar of St. Mary's for kindly allowing the use of the bells, and the local ringers, especially Mr . Cole, who did everything possible to make the risit such a success, and Irr. Gibson, who met them and took part in the ringing.

## A CYCLE TRIP.

A party of half a dozen cyelists from Hinton had a pleasant trip on Sunday week. Going first to Toddington, where they were met, by Mr. C. Lawrence, the oaptain of the local band, they inspected the interior of the church, and then on the light peal of six in the tower rang a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 41 mins. : A. Keyte 1, H.
Cotton 2, F. Johnson (conductor) 3, W. Jones 4, C. Lawrence 5, A. Colley 6. In cycling back a call was made at Dumbleton, another light ring of six, upon which 360 Doubles were rung, T. Sallis and J. D. Johnson taking part. A walk through the beautiful grounds of Dumbleton Hall brought a pleasant afternoon to a close.

## TRIP TO PLYMOUTH

The Burnham (Somerset) band had a long day out for their annual exoursion. Accompanied by Mr. W. Champion, Mr. J. Prior (churchwardens), and! a few friends, they left Burnham at 7.45 a.m., by motor, and joined the Plymouth excursion at Highbridge for Plymouth, which was reached at noon. The party then took train for Devonport, where a capital dinner awaited them at Day's Imperial Restaurant. Subsequently they were met by Mr. W. H. Marsh, of Plymouth, and took steamer to Saltash, where, at the Parish Church, they were met by man Doubles and Plain Bob Minor. Afterwards the party returned to Plymouth, Mr. Marsh very kindly pointing out the places of interest en route. After tea, a move was made to the Charles Church, Where, with the kind help of some of the Plymouth ringers, touches of Triples and Caters were rung. Afterwards nearly all visited the Hoe and other places of interest. The ringers wish to thank the clergy and others for the use of the bells, Mr. S. B. Rogers for getting permission and meeting them at Saltash, and Mr. Marsh, who spent the remainder of the day with them, and did all he could to add to their pleasure. Leaving Plymouth at $9.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , Burnham was reached about ¿ $\llcorner$ a.m. on Sunday morning, after a day full of enjoyment.

## DEVONSHIRE GUILD EXCURSION.

On Bank Holiday, seven members of the Plymouth branch, at the invitation of the President (the Rev. Maitland Kelly), met him at Mill Bay, chiefly for the purpose of paying a visit to Portlemouth, and having a ring on the six bells recently erected by Messis. Taylor and This little place lies just across the river from Salcombe, where tho Rev. M. Kelly was formerly Vicar for $13 \frac{1}{2}$ years. Leaving Mill Bay at 9.10 a.m., they journoyed to Kingsbridge, where they met Mr. Frank Davey, of Exeter, who was speuding his holiday in the ueigh-
bourhood. Here a waggonette was in waiting for the party, and the first stop was West Alvington, where the nice six were soon set going to Stedman and Grandsire Doubles, Bob Minor; etc. This is the church where the present Bishop of Marlborough was formerly Vicar. Expressing pleasure with the comfortable ring, the party proceeded to Marlborcugh, a very large church with a peal of six. Stedman and Grandsire Doubles were again rung, but not with the comfort one would wish.
The next stopping place was Salcombe, and as the party were passing the Vicarage, a large tree was pointed out to them which Mr. Kelly had planted when resident there. At the Temperance Hotel, the party sat down to a substantial luncheon, which was very much enjoyed, and before making a starit for the chief object of the journey, Mr. Walter Marsh, on behalf of the party, thanked the Rev. M. Kelly for his generous hospitality. A little motor ferry took the visitors across the river, andl then! Ye Gods! What is this? "Mount Blanc!" Did you ever, gentle reader, try to ascend a mountain after a good feed. But the party got their reward by a most enjoyable ring: Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, and a 720 of Bob Minor, conducted by Walter Marsh. There was a single bell here for years, which Mr. Kelly used to hear on the opposite side of the water. When he found there was to be a peal of six put up, he asked Mr. Taylor to let this one remain as tenor. This has been done, and a very pretty peal they are.

Embarking on a steamer, where they were packed as sardines, never so tightly, a pleasant four miles down the river brought them to Kingsbridge again. The rext nove was to Brent, by train, where Mr. Davey took his departure. Here the sexton had given the party up and gone home. Never plan things, brother ringers, to a quarter of an hour, or you will surely be disappointed. The sexton was found at last, the bells raised, and two six-scores rung. The bells are a nice peal, and go well. This concluded a most pleasant day.

## a VISIT TO MMDDLESBROUGH.

The members and friends of the St. James' Society, Bolton, Bradforl, made Middlesbrough the headquartens of their first annual cuting, which was spread over the August holidays. They were met by Mr. J. H. Blakiston, who had made their arrangements, and after tea visited St. Paul's, Thornaby-on-Tees, where touches in different methods were rung. On Sunday morning, an early tour of the dccks was made, and after breakfasting the visitors rang for morning service at St. Hilda's Parish Church, Middlesbrough. Places of interest were inspected, and much pleasure was experienced at the opportunity of going cver the transporter bridge. After dinner, the party made their way to Ormesby, where they found a beautiful peal of eight (tenor 18 cwt.), and gladly accepted the invitation extended to them: by Mr. T. Metcalfe to ring for service.
On Monday morning, Saltburn-by-Sea was visited, the company being met by Mr. Littleton and M1. Laycock. The beautifnal peal (tenor 23 cwt.) delighted the ringers in the touches of Bob Major, Grandsire and Stedman Triples that were rung. Returning to Middlesbrough, a visit was paid to the mecting of the Cleveland and North Yorks Association, which was being held in the town, and this concluded a very enjoyable excursion in which the party received the heartiest possible welcome on all hands. They desire to thank the various Vicars for giving them permission to ring, and all who helped to make the trip such an enjoyable one.

## THE ST. GILES' SOCIETY, READING

On Bank Holiday, the members of St. Giles' Society, Reading, accompanied by their ladies and friends, the party numbering 18 in all, had their annaal outing. Leaving Reading at $7.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$., by brake, they made for Twyford, at which place they had wery kindly been invited to breakfast by the Vicar (the Rev. R. W. Ackworth), and, needless to relate, this was very much appreciated and enjoyed by all. -Mr. Osborne proposed a very hearty rote of thanks to the Vicar and Mre. Ackworth for their great kindness, and the tower was then visited, and the bells sent off into the tune of Stedman Triples and Bob Major. A course of Kent, in which Mr. F. Dentry took part, brought the ringing at Twyford to a close. Next, the party wended their way to Wooburn, which was reached after a splendid drive through the pretty country of Cookham and Bourne End. Here again the bells were soon going to Stedman and Bob Major, Miss E. Goodship calling a tonch of Stedman and Mr. C. Higgs a touch of Bob Major. After a look round the church and admiring the beautiful screen, a move was made for dinner, which had been most ably prepared by Mr. W. Mellett, of Wooburn Green. The next move was to High Wycombe, where the Parish Church was risited, and a few courses of Grandsire and Stedman Caters were rung. Tea was nest partaken of, and much enjoyed by all. The tower was again risited afterwards, and a course of Kent Royal and rounds on the beautiful twelve bells enjoyed for the first time by most of the partry. Time going all too swiftly, the homeward journey had soon to be started on. After a pleasant journey of about 20 miles, which wis enlivened by songs, otc., Reading was safely reached about 11 p.m., after a most enjoyable day. The socicty take this opportunity of thanking all who assisted in making the day such a pleasant one, and epecially the respective Vicars and ringers for the uso of their bells.
A.W.O.

## MEARS ASHBY BELLS DEDICATED.

The Parish Churoh at Mears Ashby, in Northamptonshire, now boasts of a fine ring of six bells, with a tenor of 11 cwt. 3 qrs. 2 libs. They are the product of the Lorughborough foundry, and replace an old peal of five, which have been recast, and a treble, inscribed "Te Deum Landlamus, 1913," added. The bells, which are trued on the Simpson principle, have been hung in a new iron frame, and the way in which the contract has been carried out reflects the highest oredit upon Messis. Taylor and Oo. The work has cost just over $£ 300$, and the whole amount, except a few pounds, has been raised, thanks to the generous gifts of Lady Wantage, Mr. H. M. Stockdale, J.P., Major H. Stockdale, J.P., and others. The dedication was performed by Bishop Clayton, a few rounds being rung in the conurse of the service. The Bishop, who preached an eloquent sermon from Revelations xxili, 17, spoke of the charm of our village churches, and said the bells gave a voice to the church. By means of the bells the church sent out its message far and wide, and those wino lived in the utmost parte of the message far and widhe, and those whro lived in the utmost parts of the thonghits that arose in men's hearts when they heard Church bells? First of all the bells told them that the Church of God, like God, cared for man. Whether the occasion was one of national rejoicing, or whether the kearts of individuals were deeply stirred, the bells pro claimedi it. The church had a gospel to preach, and the bells helped to do that. Most of all, the most frequent work of the bells was to give an invitation, and they said to the people "Come."

Subsequently various touches were rung, including 720 Kent Treble Bob, 240 Oxford Treble Bob, 240 Double Court, and 360 Plain Bob, the ringers taking part being Messers. F. Wilford, general secretary of the Northants Association; W. Perkins, district secretary, J. Houghton, J. Garrett, J. Nawby, A. Perkins (Irthlingborough), G. W. Ette, H. Ette, H. Pettit (Wellingborough), F. Jones (Earl's Barton), F Goosey (Mears Asllby), etc.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

For the first time the annual summer festival of the Bedfordshixe Association was held on Bank Holiday. The venue was Woburn, but the attendance of members was small, owing, no doubt, to other attractions. Touches of Minor, Bob Mrjor Grandsire Stedman Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Double Norwich were rung at intervals between 11.30 and 8.30 . Tea was provided in the town hall at 5 o'clock by Mr. King, of Woburn, and at service was held in the church at 6 oclock, at which the Rev. C. R. Dickinson, formenty Vicar of Woburn, gave an excellent address. By kindl permission of His Grace the Duke of Bedford, K.G., the ringers were allowed to visit the sculptare gallery and the gardens of Woburn Abbey. After the tea, a vote of condolence to the members of the family of the late Canon Hadidock, for many years a vice-president of the Association, was passed.

## NOTICES.

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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. - Established 1637 . - Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on August 28th; at St. John's, Hackney, on August 19th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on August 19th ; St. Mary's, Wathamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus 7.30, the others 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late The St. James' Society, Established 1824).-Southern District. -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, August 16th, at All Saints', Isleworth. Tower open from 5 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.; business meeting to follow, all ringers and friends invited.-F. A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Liverpool Branch.-A meeting will be held at Hale on Saturday, August 16th. Bells ready at 4.-Members intending being present please send word to Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, August 23rd, 1913. Bells ready
at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 prompt; a good attendance is earnestly requested.-J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Blackburn Branch. - The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at the Parish Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, August 23rd, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.; a good attendance is requested.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-Wellingboro' District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Mears Ashby on Saturday, August 23 rd. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock.-W. Perkins, District Secretary, 6 Addington Road, Irthlingborough.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Central Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Balcombe on Saturday, August 23rd. Tower open from 2 till 9. Short service 4.45. Tea 5.15 at the Half Moon Assembly Room, by kind invitation of the Rector. Business to follow.A. D. Stone, Divisional Hon. Secretary, 29, Ashton Street, Brighton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Mark's, Worsley, on Saturday, August 23rd. Bells available at 4 p.m.; meeting at 7.-W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary, io3, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.-Thrapston District. -- The quarterly meeting will be held at Woodford on Saturday, August 23 rd. Usual arrangements. Will those requiring tea kindly let me know by August 2oth?-F. Stubbs, District Secretary, Grove Street, Raunds.

ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.-Established 1755 .-Quarterly meeting will be held at Yardley, Saturday, August 23rd. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at Talbot Hotel, gd. per head, at $5 \cdot 30$; to be followed by business meeting.-A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, II, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.-The next meeting of the above Society will be held at Burley on August 23rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting will be held in the Parish Room at 7 p.m.-F. Hopwood, 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke, Secretary.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.-.The next quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Womborne, Staffordshire, on Saturday, August 3oth. Bells available at $3 \cdot 30$. Service in church at 5 o'clock, to be conducted by the Rev. E. P. Nicholas (Vicar). Business meeting afterwards.-Herbert Sheppard, Honorary Scretary, 66, Himley Road, Dudley.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICT ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Evesham on Saturday, August 3oth. Service in All Saints' Church at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting in the Parish Hall after service. W ${ }^{\top}$ ill all those intending to be present at tea please notify mc not later than Tuesday, August 26 th? The bells (ro) will be available.-N.B.-All members are requested to try and attend service. - J. Hemming, Branch Secretary, 10, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. T. J. Salter's address is now 40, Anchor Fields, Kidderminster.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. - Will members please note that my address is now 38 , Rutland Park, Sheffield?-J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary.

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## ST. MARY CRAY BELLS.

The fiye bells of St. Mary Cray Parish Churah have been recast and rehung in a new frame, and augmented to six by the addition of a treble. The work, which also included the overbauling of the church clock, has been carried out in the most satisfactory manner by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, and of the $£ 260$ to which the contract amounted, only $£ 10$ now remains to be raised by the Vicar and churchwardens. The dedication was performed by the Archdeacon of Rochester, who commented upon the interesting fact that the restoration had been completed at the time when the parishioners were commemorating a quarter of a century's earnest and faithful work and service by the Vicar (the Rev. E. Ball), and that one of the first and happiest peals that the ringers would be able to ring out on the restored bells would be that in honour of the Vicar's silver wedding.
There was a large congregation at the service, and after the dedicatory prayers had been said, the local band rang a few rounds. The effects profluced by the recasting and retuning were at once evident. The bells are lighter in tone than of yore, yet more resonant, while the harmonies produced by the retuning upon the latest method are most beautiful. The Archdeacon preached an appropriate sermon, and at the close of the service members of the Kent Association rang 360 Kent Treble Bob: T. Groombridge, senr., 1, C. F. Johnston 2, W. J. Jeffries 3, J. Wheadon 4, E. Barnett, senr., 5, I. Emery (conductor) 6 . The Archdeacon congratulated the band on their striking, and Mr. C. F. Johnston upon the work which his firm had executed. A touch of Bob Minor and 120 Grandsire Doubles concluded the ringing.

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I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best pesls in the Kingdom.

Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,
Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

## THE SUGGESTED APPEAL TO MR. CARNEGIE.

A voice of protest is raised in our columns this week agains't the suggested appeal to Mr. Carnegie, who, it has been advocated, might be approached to allow part of his recent gift to the Dunfirmline Trust to be devoted to the restoration of church bells. The idea has been discussed among ringers, the majority of whom would be only too glad if, in cases where parishes are handicapped by lack of money, there was a fund which might be turned to with some assurance that help will be forthcoming. Unhappily there are many instances to be found in which, for want of funds, bells have been allowed to get into extremely bad repair. The cost of restoration is too great a strain on parochial resources, and the bells have to hang silent in the steeple, whereas the promise of substantial help would be an incentive to additional local effort.

Our correspondent, who now takes exception to the proposal to approach Mr. Carnegie, says: "I do not object to the principle of outside help for church bells, but the idea of relaxation of effort and depending on the gift of one wealthy man, who may have no interest in or knowledge of the district, is to me most objectionable." In many cases bell restoration would be impossible without help from outside the parish, and as a rule those responsible for carrying out such work are only too glad of assistance from any source. We admire the example set by the Irish villagers, quoted by our correspondent, who gave their pence regularly every week for years in order to build their own church, but such instances of long continued self-sacrifice on the part of a body of parishioners are difficult to find. The example may probably form an ideal, but in the majority of cases bells would have to hang silent for many years if this were the means taken to raise funds for restoration. Our own view is that if the fund were available there need be little objection to taking advantage of it, especially when local authorities have with such frequency obtained similar help for public libraries, and churches have accepted assistance for organs.

In these instances the conditions of the gift have far from relieved those to whom they have been given of all necessity for effort. Grants are only provided in cases where the people themselves do their share as well, and so, doubtless, it would be if the objects of the trust were extended. But there is not much object in discussing conditions until it is known whether there is any likelihood of an appeal being successful and to know this it is necessary for somebody, representative of the whole Exercise, to approach Mr. Carnegie.

## CHARIES CARR,



## OPINION OF OUR MODERN WORK.

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TEN BELL PEALS.
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THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(Late the St. James' Society.)
On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret, Westminster,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;
Tenor 26 cwt .

| •Thomas Walker | ... | Trebie | Challis F. Winney |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Thomas H. Taffender | 6 | 6 | 6 | William H. Theobali) ... | 7 |

†Christopher H. Hughes 3 James E. Davis ... ... 8
Frederick G. Perrin ... 4 Alfred B. Peck 8
9

William Weatherstone 5 Arthur D. Barker ...Tenor
Composed by York Green, and
Conducted by Thomas H. Taffender.

* First peal on ten bells. $\dagger$ First peal of Royal.

CANTERBURY, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Tuesday, August 12, 1913, in Theee Hours and Thirty Minutes, At Christ Church Cathedral, A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 30 cwt .

Henry G. Falrbrass
Edward Trendell
..Treble Edward E. Foreman Freder 2 ... 2 Charles W. Breti Pederick G. Brett Percy J. Paine ... ... ... 4
Rev F J. O. Heimore.
Composed by George J. Jenkins
Conducted by Edwin G. Buesden.
Rung on the birthday of Mrs. Helmore, the wife of the hon secretary of the Association.

GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Southern Branch.)
On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Wülfrdm,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;
Tenor 3? cwt.
Benjamin A. Knights
Harry Thorpe ... ...
ERNESt Nidd $\quad . .$. $\begin{array}{ll}\text {...Treble } \\ \ldots . & 2\end{array}$

Sidney Proctor Ernest Nidd ... ...

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| $\cdots$ | 3 | Fred Turner | Fred Turner ... ... ... 9

Composed by Arthur Kinights, and Conducted by Sidney Proctor.
This composition, now rung for the first time, contains the 6th, the extent wrong in the tittums and inverted home positions.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## ALBURGH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Filday, August 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 9 cwt 3 qr . 12 lbs ., in $G$.

Frederick R. Borrett ...Treble $\mid$ Russell Riches ... ... 5 Robert Riches ... ... ... 2 Joseph Botwright... ... 6 | Alfred G. Bennington... | 3 | Walter Riches | ... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ernest Lincoln... | ... | .. | 4 | Frederick Smith | .. | Ernest Lincoln...

Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and
Conducted by Frederick I. Borreitt.
This peal was arranged for Mr. A. G. Bennington, who hails from London.

## METHERINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE. <br> THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> (Northern Branch.)

On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At tae Church of St. Wilfrid,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAMGES :
The Rev. E. Bankes James' Variation of Holt's Ten-Part. Tenor 8 cwt.
Frank Dawson ... ... ...Tyeble Harry Green ... ... ... 5 William Green ... $\quad . .$. George H. Cooke $\quad . .$. Frederick W. Stokes ... 4 Joseph Foster... ... ...T Tenor Conducted by Frederick W. Stokes.
First peal by all except the conductor.

## CHILHAM, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saiturday, August 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Tvolve Minutes, At the Churcil of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 20 cw .
Charles W. Brett ... ...Tyeble Ernest J. Dobbie ... ... 5 William E. Pitman... ... 2 Edward Trendell... ... 6 Frederick G. Brett $\quad . . .3$ 3 John Willis ... Edwin G. Buesden... ... 4 William J. Walker ... Tenor Composed by Fred A. Holden, and Conducted by Edwin G. Buesden.
First peal of Treble Bob on the bells. This, and the peal at Canterbury Cathedral, was arranged for J. Willis, of Peterboro'

## SUNBURY-ON-THAMES, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, August 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Thurstans' Four-Part
William Lawrence ... ...Treble
William Hewitt ... ... 2 William Shepherd ..... .3 Wifliam J. New ... ... 4 William Warne ... ... Tenor Conducted by William Shepherd.

STREATHAM, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Mowday, August 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-xine Mimotes, At the Church of Emanuel,

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Heywood's Variation. Tenor i82 cwt.

Joseph A. Lambert ... ...Treble | John Stenton Daniels... 5 Louls Attwater $\quad . . .$\begin{tabular}{lll|ll}
Le... \& 2 \& Frank N. Attwater \&.. \& 6

 

Robert Grimwood \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& 3 \& William S. Smith \&... \&... \& 7 <br>
Isaac J. Attwater \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& 4 \& George Liddiard \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& Tenor
\end{tabular} Conducted by William S. Smith.

* First peal in the method.

WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Tuesday, August 12, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Church of St. Giles,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-Part.
${ }^{\circ}$ William E. Wathen ...Treble 4 Harry Ward ... ... ... 2 Frank Ward ... ......
 Conducted by Christopher Wallater.

* First peal, and elected a member of the Society previous to starting. $\dagger$ First peal with a bob bell. Rung, with the bells half-muffled, as a tribute of respect to the late Mrs. J. H. Sandford, wife of the Rev. J. H. Sandford, B.A., lecturer at Kingsbridge, Devon, and late curate of St. Giles' Parish. The above ringers are all members of the lacal band.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Augist 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 20 cwt .

| Edward Grimes... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Tyeble | J. Armiger Trollope | $\ldots$ | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Edwin F. Pike... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Frederick J. Hardy | $\ldots$ |

* First peal in the method.


## BEXHILL.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, August 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 GHANGES;
 Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and

Conducted by Keith Hart.

* First peal in the method with an inside bell. The band wish, through the "Ringing World," to thank the Rector (Archdeacon Churton) for the use of the bells, and the local company for having everything in readiness for the peal.

NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, August 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5840 CHANCES;

Carter's Twelve-Part.
Tenor 15 cwt.
Frederick Atwell ... ...Treble
Francis E. B. Charles ... 2
John Bullen ... ... ... 3
Joseph E. Sykes ....
Joseph E. Sykes
Conducted by

$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { John Butler } & . . & . . & . . & 3 \\ \text { John W. Jones } & . . . & \ldots & 6\end{array}$ | John W. Jones |
| :--- |
| Walter Wallace $\ldots . .$. | Frederick Stanbury ....Tenoy Frederick Sta

ohn W. Jones.
The conductor's Iooth peal. Mr. Waiter Wallace hails from Derby. and was elected a member previous to starting. Mr. J. E. Sykes belongs to Huddersfield.

## HALEWOOD LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
Or Thursday, August 14, 1913, in Theee Hours and Seven Minutes At the Cherch of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Original. Tenor Iol $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in $G$.
Henry Fyles ... ... ...Tyeble
Miss Nellie Gillingham 2
George R. Newion ... 3 William Bibby ... ... 6
 Conducted by George R. Newton.

* First peal in the method.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, August 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF OKFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 8 cwt I qr. 20 lbs .

| Albert G. Warnes ... | ...Tieble | George H. Cross ... | ... | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John F. Wilson... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Denison Hayward... | .. | William Steele ... - 3 *George Orford ... ... 7 George Howchin ... . 4 Frederick J. Howchin...Tenor Composed by H. Dains, and Conducted by William Steele.

* First peal in the method. A. G. Warnes has now rung every bell in this tower to a peal. Arianged for Messrs. Hayward and Orford, of Great Yarmouth.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Matthew, Bethnal Green,

## A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;



## PETERSFIELD, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 16 cwt .

| *Alfred R. Elkins ... | Treble | Thomas Mack |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alfred J. Croucher | 2 | *Corpl. G. Gilbert, R.E. 6 |
| Herbert Chaffey |  | * William J. Read |
|  | 4 | С |

Miss Evelyn Steel ... 4 Charles Edwards ... .... Tenor Composed by J. Armiger Trollope, and Conducted by C. Edwards.

- First peal of Major. Arranged for Miss E. Steel.


## KING'S NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE

 THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Northern Branch.)On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Tweive-Part. Tenor $14 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt.
William Palmer ... ...Tyeble Samuel Grove ... ... 5 Frank Withers ... ... ... 2 Alfred Davis ... ... ... William H. Godden ... 3 Arthur Chambers... ... 7 George Sivann ... ... ... 4 John Withers... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Arthur Chambers.

## WOLVERHAMPTON

TEE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Luke,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor io cwt. Alfred Fallon ... ... ...Treble | William H. Lawley ... 5 Harry Farlow ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Benjamin Clark... Herbert Knight ... ... 3 Daniel Jones ... ... ... 7 Andrew Jones ... ... ... 4 Charles A. Darby... ...Tenor

## Conducted by Herbert Knight.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. C. A. Darby and Miss E. M Prince, who invited the band to a sumptuous repasi at the conclusion of the peal.

PORTSMOUTH, HANTS.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Mary, Portsea,

## A PEAL of grandsire triples, 5040 Changes;

Holt's Original.
William Wheeler... ...Tyeble
Frederick W. Thornion 2 Frederick Burnett ... 3 *Joseph Wheeler ... ... 4

Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Edinin J. Harding ... } & \text {... } & 5 \\ \text { Cecil Creasy ... } & \text {... } & \text {... } & 6\end{array}$ Cecil Creasy ... ... ... 6
Frederick A. Holden ...
7 - Richard Stone ... ... Tenor richard Stone ....

* First peal. F. W. Thornton hails from Greenwich, Kent. This ${ }^{2}$ s his first attempt at a peal for five years.

ROTHERHAM.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes. At the Church of St. Stephen, Eastwood,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANCES;
Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Clement Glenn ... ...Treble Frank R. Cundale
*Miss Winifred M. Hague 2 *Colin Ryder ... ...
5
Arthur Hagde......$\quad$... 3 John H. Brothwell
George Halksworth ... 4 John W. J. Cottam ...Tenor Conducted by Clement Glenn.

* First peal in the method; also first tower-bell peal by Miss. Hague, who is the first lady to ring a peal of Stedman for the Association.


## EPSOM, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
At Christ Church,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Tenor 12 cwt .
Challis F. Winney ...Tyeble Leonard F. Taylor
Walter S Wise
Walter S. Wise ... ... 2 Richard Kendell ...
*Walter G. Rowe ......$\quad 3 \quad 3 \quad$ Walter Farley...
David Wright ...... Conducted by Challis F. Winney.

* First peal of Stedman on a working bell. Mr. W. Farley, for whom the peal was arranged, hails from Wells, Somerset.


## DEVIZES.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, August 10, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Chorch of St. John,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.
Charles D. HeginbothamTreble 1
Thomas Hogsflesh... ... 2
Louis A. Wilson ... ... 3
*Frederick C. Rich... $\quad . . .4$

Tenor igd cwt.
Gilbert H. Harding Henry W. Brown... Samuel J. Hector....$^{. .} \quad 7$ Sydney Hillier ... ...Tenor Conducted by Gilbert H. Harding.

* First peal with a bob bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to. the conductor.

DRIGHLINGTON, YORKS. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Paul,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

Heywood's Transposition.
Alfred Naylor... ... ...Treble
William B. Smith...

Conducted by Frederick W. Dixon.
W. B. Smith's 50th peal. Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Milton Gomersal and Miss Alice Fox. After the peal the band were sumptuously entertained.

EYE, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, August 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES ;

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\text { Tenor } 24 \mathrm{cwt}
$$

Albert G. Warnes ... ...Treble | Bertie J. Howchin ... 5 William Rose ... ... ... 2 George Howchin ... ... 6 George H. Cross ... ... 3 Irederick Day ... ... 7 Frank Copeman ... ..... .4 4 Frederick J. Howchin ... Tenor

Composed by G. Cross, and
Conducted by A. G. Warnes.

## EYNSFORD, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGEE;

## Tenor I2 cwt.

| Hubert J. Blackwell ...Tyeble | J. Armiger Trollope |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frank I. Hairs. | Frank Bennett |  |
| Isaac Emery | William Hewett |  |
| Edwin F. Pike | William J. Jeffrie |  |

Composed by C. Middleton, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.

## SIX © FIVE BELL PEALS.

YALDING, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, August 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's, Plain
Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob and College Single.
Fredk. J. Lambert, Junr. Tveble $\mid$ Jim Beach ... ... ... ... 4 George Fuller... ... ... 2 Fredk. J. Lambert, Senr. 5 Albert Relfe ... ... ... 3 Edwin Lambert ... ...Tenor Conducted by Edwin Lambert.
First peal on the bells since their restoration by Messrs. Bowell, of Ipswich.

## WICKHAM MARIKET, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On TVednesday, August 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

## At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Oxford Delight, and Woodbine, and two each of Oxford and Kent, and 720 of Plain Bob.


Conducted by Charles E. Fisher.

EAST HADDON, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Tenor is cwt.
Frederick Rowledge ...Treble Thomas Law ... ... ... 3
Frank Rollings

> Harry Clarke ... Tenor

Conducted by Harry Clarke.
First peal as conductor.

## EASTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORIVICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, August 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGE ;

Being 720 each of Plain Bob, Oxford Delight and Woodbine, and two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

| I.ester L. Gray... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Treble | Charles E. Fisher | ... | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| George R. Finch | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Robert G. Miles ... | ... |
| 5 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Henry Pottock... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | William B. Reeve | ... Tenor |

Conducted by Charles E. Fisher.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

FYLINGDALES, YORKS.
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, August 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-six Minutes, In the Belfry of St. Stephen's Church,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;
Mervyn Duck ... ... I-2 Albert Coates ... ... 3-4 F. Philip Cheetham ... 7-8 Composed and Conducted by G, F. Alexander. Umpire: John W. Wilkinson.
Mr. Cheetham, a member of the Cambridge University Guild, was elected a member of the Cleveland Association previous to starting for the peal.

The two peals of Minor rung at Blaxhall, Suffolk, and published last week, should be credited to the Norwich Diocesan Association. The sender omitted to supply this information,

## MEMORIAL BELLS IN CORNWALL. VICAR'S REMARKABLE RECORD.

At Gulval Parish Church on Friday week a large number of parishioners and others gathered to witness the dedication of an augmented peal of bells and a tower clock, in memory of the late Vicar, the Rev. W. W. Wingfield, who was in charge of the parish from I839 to 1912 . These expressions of appreciation have been subscribed for by the parishioners and a few outside friends. In the tower has been erected an automatic clock, with four 5 ft . 6 in . dials in black and gold, and controlled by batteries which require attention about once in twelve months. The hours and half hours are struck on a tenor bell which weighs $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. The mechanism which drives the hands is entirely dissociated from the other mechanism, so that the time keeping qualities of the clock will not be in any way affected by adverse climatic conditions. Gulval can now claim the honour of possessing the first electric public clock in the county, as there is not one nearer than Torquay. Two treble bells have been added to the old ring of six, these having been supplied and hung by Messrs. John Warner and Sons, Ltd., of London. The bells are now a nice ring of eight, and the whole peal is a credit to the Spitalfields Bell Foundry. The excellent "splice" and the musical quality of the trebles, which are tuned upon Canon Simpson's five-tone principle, leave nothing to be desired. At a later date a suitable tablet will be placed on the walls of the tower, and a tablet for the little church at Trythall is in course of preparation. The whole of the work has cost $£ 364$.
The dedication service was conducted by the Vicar, and the Rev. Canon Maddrell, Revs. W. B. Tremenheree (Madron), A. T. Boscawen (Ludgvan), and J. T. Inskip (Vicar of Jesmond, Newcastle), who some years ago was Vicar of St. Paul's, Penzance. After a touch had been rung upon the bells, Mr. R. F. Blitho mounted to the ringing room and dedicated them to the memory of the late Vicar, who was their friend and guide for 73 years, and who was a man of the highest integrity, the soul of honour, and the memory of whom would always remain engraved on their hearts. A special form of service was used, the lessons being read by the Revs. A. T. Boscawen and TV. B. Tremenheree, and the prayers by the Vicar.

The address was given by the Rev. J. T. Inskip, who paid an eloquent tribute to the service which the late Vicar rendered to the parish. to his diligence, to his love, to his example and to his humility, his courtesy and his consideration. The preacher pointed out that Mr. Wingfield was born before Waterloo, lived in six reigns, and was Vicar of Gulval under seven Bishops.

## A BOLSOVER PEAL.

There wais an interesting ceremony at tha Parish Church, Bolsover, on Saturday afternoon, when the Vicar (the Rev. F. H. Webb Peploe) dedicated a tablet erected to commemolate a peal of Superlative Surprise Major, rung at Bolsover on April 12th. in honour of the golden wedding of his parents, Prebendady and Mrs. Webb Peploe, London. In addition to the members of the Bolsover band, there were present risitors from Chesterfield. Ripley, Darley Dale and Mansfield. At the close of the service of dedication, the Vionr gave an impressive address on the words, "Ring out the false; ring" in the trve," which appears at the top of the tablet, Subsequently, touches of Double Norwich, supcalative, Norfolk and Cambridge, were successfully brought into rounds, and during the afternoon the ringers visited the Vicanage, where they were kindly entertained to tea by the Vicar and Mrs. Webb Peploe.

## LEICESTER.

## Keepe: Tyme: in: anye: case:

The: last.: strayne: was: good:
Then: lett: us singe: it againe:
Exoellent: well: sange: my: hartes:
4th bell, Sit. Mary's, Oxford.
Cast at Leicester, 1610.
The Bennett visit to this city was intended to be made at Whitsun, but was delayed till now, and became almost dorelict at the last minute. I was fortunately able to help fill up a gap at short notice, and thus follow out a similar inclination of my own of long standing. In 1899 my only peal in Leicester was scored at St. Mark's-Kent 'Ireble Bob Major, by Sottanstall-but the composition, well known to all experts for years, and published: in Shipway, was afterwards found tobe ineorrect. When you capture a new tower, and lose it again through no fault of the conductor or band, you're naturally eager to recapture it, and that is what I have done after an interval of 14 years. My tenor man on each occasion was the well-known Wr. W., of Leicester. I mention the town because we have another id. coming on at Netherseale-who in the meantime had not been idee with the bonds of matrimony, for the child of a few months old-little Hilda Willson-had now grown up with sturdy strength, and was destined to aid my second effort. The London men arrived in Leicester on Saturday, August 2nd, punctually at 3.35 -were met by Mr. Willson, and at once conveyed with the rest of the team to Anstey Church, $3 \frac{1}{2}$ miles out of the town, by a waggonetter that runs to and fro regularly, but I was not with them, having been lost in the crowds. I may tell you some 1,500 people left this station for Blackpool alone on the previous day, and several hundreds were refused bookings, so you will have some idea of a Leicester holiday season, and that is my excuse.
The first difficulty arose now. Seven men were at Anstey under the impression that one has missed his train, and that oue was in Leicester without any knowledge of the other seven. "Headquarters near station " was all the hurried information I had by postcard, but after several inquiries of hotel keepers if a man, named Wiilson, had booked rooms for a party, I learned where we were to sleep, and that the others had gone on. My hope of standing in peal No. 1 was almost gone, till a generous farmer in the courtyand of the hotel offered me a ride in his dog cart, and this kindness allowed me to pop my head round the bolfry doorway-which is on the ground floor-and inquire when they were likely to say "Go." My seven friends, knowing there was no means of my getting there in time, had given up their mate, and changed the method to suit a willing local man.

Of Anstey Parish Charch, dedicated to St. Mary, I can say but little. It is none too handsome, and shows generally late decorated features. It is built of stone, with slated roof, and consists of a low square tower. The tower is without buttress or relief, and finished with a plain battlemented parapet. Now for the bells very little can be said in their favour-in Edward VI's time there were only three bells and there is no record of their departure. Later they were cast into a peal of five, tenor 38 in . diameter, in 1723 , and, with additional bells, made eight in modern times. The bells themselves tell us but little, as several are blank. The treble, however, bears an inscription of value to all those ringers who are able to help others, and though its nearly two centuries old, the reward still stands good for A.D. 1913. "God: rewarid: my: benefactors 1723."
Here some good instruction work was put in by Mr. Willson a decade ago. The local men mastered Standard methods, and on scoring Double Norwioh, presented their tutor with a handsome marble clock, which I had the pleasure of inspecting later on. The progress of a change ringer is usually coupled with progress in his occupation, and this band, like many others, became broken by members leaving the parish inor a higher standard of wages. Having conveyed our thanks to the Vicar, the Rer. J. Kerry Williams, M.A., and the local men for their hearty welcome, we called at a cevtain house licensed under the Act, previous to a pleasant walk back across the fields to London Road, Leicester, for supper and bed.
Sunday proved to be a day of heat, but very enjoyable nevertheless, and we were received at St. Sawiour's tower by the remnants of the St. Saviour's Company, many having gome on holiday, two Nottingham friends, and Mr. J. Needham, the steeplekeeper, a 500 of Stedman Triples being rung for service on a grand modern peal of bells (tenor 26 ewt.), east by the neighbouring Loughborough firm, and in excellent going order. This belfry partly resembles an old curiosity shop, with its quaint engravings of churches hung on the walls, its fine set of 200 cup bells. an old clock bell and a town crier's handbellthe collection of the afovesaid Joe Nebdham. One of the pictures I was tempted to pack off to Dr. A. H. Nicholls, of Boston, U.S.A., as a memento of Boston, was a view of Boston tower, Lincolnshire, published in 1715, gising particulars of this famous "stump" commenced in 1309. The length of that chureh and the altitude of its tower are equal 84 yards, and the number of steps (365), windows (52), pillars (12), equalling the days, weeks and months of the year. Concerning the cup bells some question may arise as to their ownership when we're all gone to rest, so here's the version. They were presented to St. Margaret's Society of Ringers, Leicester, in 1775, remaining in the care of successive representatives until the company's numbers were reduced in recent years to ouly five. Mr. Needham, following the long
observed rule, was allowed to hold them by virtue of being the oldest member. At this stage the bolls were so dilapidated that they were lever used; several were cracked; many handles were missing, and the elappers andl springs were composed of a few scrag ends-the whole being worth only their weight as old bell metal, and being useless to the society. It was agreed by the five sunvivors that Joe should retain sole control of the bells if he had them renovated, which provedi a costly business for him, and I wonld here say that Leicester ringers owe him a debt of gratitude for preserving to future generations ain historical set of cup bells which were used by the first peal ringers of the trwn.
Mirs. Needham had to be called upon becauso Mr. N. thought his visitors need'ed something more than a peep at his ringing books, a touch of Treble eight or a course of Grandsire Caters on handbells. A set of three well bound volumes, the several parits of the Clavis, were in excellent preservation, and bear the well known signature " J . W. Snowdon" on the front pages. Strange to say, these were bought at Edinburgh, and the interesting point is, how did they get there from Ilkley after Snowdon's death? "Having seen all he'd got," to use our antiquarian friend's own words, we proceeded to Loughborough, from which a five mile motor 'bus drive was enjoyed, Whough under crowded and duisty conditions, ibut the 4d. fare was better than a 2 s , 6di. conveyance or the bare road. This modern development of petrol propelled country transport permitted us to get to Shepshed, or "Sheepshead," as the name of the parish was formerly known, well up to time. One cannot pass the days of one's life with out receiving constant reminders of the life hereafter. The very pursuit of change ringing brings the change ringer in touch, as it were, with the departed. Many a hamlet reveals the sleeping place of our forefathers who have left to us those hallowed walls that hold those brazen bells we love to swing.

## SHEPSILED AND ITS BELLS.

Shepshed Church, dedicated to St. Botolph, is erected on a knoll overlooking the village. Stone is greatly employed in building everywhere, as tho neighbourhood abounds in suitable quarries. The nave of the church, with its side aisles, is rather short, and covered with a flat lead roof, and the chancel, somewhat large, has a steep slate roof. The whole of the church is stonework witfout parapet walls, and yet the nave is surmounted by batitlements giving an eccentric outward appear ance to the whole building. A square tower is finished with an octagonal stone spire of good proportions, and contains a musical ring of eight, tenor 13 cwt . 2qrs. 101bs. and 43in. diameter. This oatave grew from a set of three bells of Edward VI's reign, subsequently made five prior to 1805, in which year 13riant, of Hertfond, cast a most musical ring of six, recently increased by Taylor and Co.. They were used it former days as follows: The 5 th as Curfew bell at 8 p.m. daily; 4th as pancake bell on Shrove Tuesday, and the 3rd as ringers bell. The Vicar (the Rev. W. D. Gee-Clarke) kindly permitted a peal to be attempted, and furthered our weleome by coming to thank us for the peal-Double Norwioh-afterwards, and offer congratulations at its successful termination. A very difficult position for the Vicar, that of doing justice to the living while carrying out oue's duty to the departed, was thoughtfully overcome by arranging to take funeral service that afternoon an hour eartier than originally intended. We had the pleasure of hearing a well struck touch of Grandsire rung by local men, with Miss Lilian Willson standing in. Tea at the
Black Swan was welcome. Mr. Whitworth, the licensee, and one of tlie Black Swan was welcome. Mr. Whitworth, the licensee, and one of tlie
Shepshed band, with his wife, attending our needs to let us catch a certain motor 'bus. I would not be hurried, the charm of the village, its pretty bells andi the distant woodland scenery all combined to draw one to the place and to check the haste that clamours for motor and losomotor canriages. Having abandoned my prospect of a pleasant evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willson, of Leicester, I was preparing for a five mile tramp back to Loughborough, and the last train up, when again something happened that I ought to tell you about. My companions, having made a good return journey, veached Lcicester at nine o'clock. Sundry reflections as to how I was getting on with myself were made, disparaging to my ease and convenience, the opinion of several being that I would make straight, for our roost at the Oounty Hotel, as I could not get in before 10 p.m. Their surprise can be imagined when, on arriving at Keythorpe Street, they found me comfortably seated in Mr. Willson's arm-chair, Miss Willson playing the organ, and Mrs. Wrillson giving me a few private notes of her husband's hobby.
(To be Continued).

## CORRECTIONS.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-I wish to make a correction to the foot-note of the peal of Minor rung at Maxey, on August 4.th, 1913. There have been two peals rung there since 1849; one was in 1895, conducted by the Rev. H. Law James, the other in October, 1903, conducted by Mr. T. Murray. Both teams wore from St. Marlin's, Stamfond. Many apologies to those concerned.-Yours truly, GEORGE JUTSON.
Peterborough.
Dear Sir,-I wish to withdras the claim to having rung first peal on Liss bells, as I find that the first peal on them was rung on Apris 13th, 1903, conducted by Mr. A. B. Bennett.
C. EDWARDS.

THE "WILLIAM" PEAL AT SUNBURY.
The genial steeplekeeper at Sunbury has long had a desire to ring the tenor to a peal in which all the band bore the same Christian name, but it was not till Monday of last week that the attempt could be made, for it is a tall order to arrange such an undertaking. Mr. G. Spencer undertook the task of getting the band together, and he certainly deserves great credit for the able manner in which he carried out the various details. One of the "Bills" could not come owing to overtime duty, and almost at the last moment Mr. W. Weaiherstone, who is now $7^{2}$, was pressed into service. Before the peal was started the camera was brought into use, and the operation having been performed without injury to the lens, "Go, Stedman," was called at 7 p.m. After ringing 400 changes, however, it was necessary to stop and let two "Bills" change bells. But the second start proved better, and, after 2 hours


Wh. Warne Wm. Shepherd War. Fussell Wm. Welling
(Sunbury).
Wm. Hewitt
(Camberwell)
m. Shepherd (Hersham).
Wm. Laivrence Wm. Weatherstone (West Ealing).
(Slough).
(Greenwich).
(Windsor).
Wm. New
(Islewortl).
and 53 minutes' ringing, the welcome ": This is all'" was heard A good peal was rung, and on its completion several local ringers and the Curate complimented the team. The Conductor from previous experience found out a valuable bint to "namesake bands," viz, to go by numbers only when correcting an error. Had he asked "Bill" to do his last whole turn - well, there would have been some excellent 'i firing." Mr. Griggs, another "Bill," turned up at the convivial afterwards, and regrets were expressed at the absence of still another "Bill" who was to have had a finger in the "Pye." The band represented eight different towers, and altogether some hundreds of miles were travelled by the eight men. If rumour proves correct we shall soon see a peal board placed in the tower to record the performance.

## THE OXFORD GUILD.

A combined practica of the Eonning branch was held at Sonning, on Saturday, membors being present from Heuley 2, Hurst 1, Wargrave Caversham 2, Wokingham (All Saints') 1, Binfield 2, Sonning 1, Thasthampstead 1, Twyford 1. The following methods were practised: Grandsire and Steuman Triples, and Plain Bob Major, and Treble Bob Minor and Grandsire Triples, on handbells.
OLDBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.-On Sunday evening, June 8th, quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins. J. Johnson 1, Ji. Withers 2, S. Asbury 3, T. Burleigh 4, T. Collinson (oonductor) 5. J. Bird 6, J. T. Bratten 7, J. Ford 8. Messrs. Bratten, Collinson, Johnson and Withers belong to Birmingham, the rest are local men.
MOORSIDE, LANCS.-At St. Thomas' Churoh, on the 41st anniversary (May 25th), three 640's (called differently), and 288 of Kent Treble Bob Major, in which TI. Lowton, P. Scholes, A. Wild, F. Taylor, H. Hampson, F Wild, J. Ogden, F. Chapman (conductor), L. Hampson and C. Platt, took part.

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

COWDEN, KENT.-On Whit-Monday, visitars rang 720 Kent Treble Bob, 720 Plain Bob Minor: G. Baker (Cowden), ringing his first 720. The local ringers rang some six-scores of Doubles, conducted by W. Ladd.

WRITTLE.-At the Parisin Church, on May 11th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: R. E. Pellatt 1, C. Gray 2, H. J. Sudell 3, H. J. King 4, W. J. Kemp 5, S. H. R. Cooper 6, G. B. Lucas, senr. (conductor) 7, L. G. Hicks 8.

GREAT WALTHAM. - On May 12th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: R. E. Pellatt 1, H. J. Sudell 2, C. Gray 3, W. J. Kemp 4, S. H. R. Cooper 5, G. B. Lucas, senr., 6, W. Lincoln (conductor) 7, L. G. Hicks 8.

UPPER CLAPTON.-On Sunday, May 18th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: R. E. Pellatt 1, H. J. King 2, H. J. Sudell 3, W. J. Kemp 4, S. H. K. Cooper 5, Frank Bennett (conductor) 6. J. White 7, S. S. Dunwell 8.

WEST BROMWICH.-At All Saints', on Trinity Sunday, a quarterpeal of Stedman Triples, in 44 mins. : W. Reynolds 1, F. Bendall 2, W. Peart 3, T. Taylor 4, A. Caddick 5, E. Pagett 6, A. Mills (conductor) 7, H. Pagett 8
BECKENHAM, KENT.-On St. George`s Eve, at St. George's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1260 changes), in 47 mins.: W. Sinith (conductor) 1, J. Town 2, E. Tigwell (first quarter-peal) 3, G. W. Clarke 4, F. King 5, J. Lovell 6, F. Terry 7, W. Meek 8.

ISLIP, NORTHANTS. - On May 12th, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. Sharman 1, W. Hobbs 2, E. Chapman 3, C. W. Clarke 4, F. Sawfoot 5, W. Perkins (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method on the bells. Also 360 Woodbine.
METHERINGHAM, LINCS.-On May 20th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins. : F. Dawson 1, W. Green 2, G. H. Cooke 3, F. W. Stokes (conductor) 4, H. Green 5, R. Fincham 6, J. Dawson 7, J. Foster 8. First quarter-peal on the bells, and by all except the conductor.
KENNINGTON-On May 18th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, from Holt's Original, in 44 mins. : H. D. Opher 1, A. Walton 2, H. J. Walton 3, T. WV. Wyatt 4, Alec. Miller 5, Arch. Miller 6, G. W. Wild (conductor) $7, T$. W. Welbourne 8.
CAMBRIDGF.-On May 12th, at Great St. Andrew's Church, after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal, a quarter-peal of Kent Trebile Bob Major: J. B. Williamson 1, W. B. Kempton 2, Rev. A. H. F. Boughey 3, J. Taylor 4, T. R. Dennis 5, A. Wilkerson 6, F. E. Kempton 7, F. Dench (conductor) 8.

CHEPSTOIV.-On May 19th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: B. Tamplin 1, J. H. Prickett 2, J. Prickett 3, E: Rose 4, "I. Priest 5, W. Arnold 6, R. Thompson (conductor) 7, *J. Gregory 8. * First quarter-peal.
NEWCHURCF.-On Mray 21st, at St. Nicholas Church, a half-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 2520 changes), in 1 hr. 19 mins.: J. H. Haydock 1, T. Harrison 2, O. Eastwood 3, IR. Leach 4, J. B. Taylor 5, W. Taylor 6, J. T. Wright 7, J. W. Ormond 8. This half-peal from Taylor's was conducted by Walter Taylor, and rung as a birthday compliment to Lawrence Taylor, one of the Newchureh ringers.
DUMBLETON, GLOS.-On Trinity Sunday, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles ( 1260 changes): A. Keyte 1. H. Cotton 2, W. Jones 3, T. Sallis 4, F. Johnson (conductor) 5. A. Colley 6.

BISHOP'S STORTTORD.-On Whit-Sunday, for morning service, at St. Michael's Church, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples: W. Rickett 1, F. Bird 2, P. E. Springham 3, H. M. White 4, H. Champness 5, W. W. Tucker 6, H. J. Tucker (composer and conductor) 7, H. Dew 8. For evening service, 503 Grandsire Triples (Shipway).-On May 15th, 434 Grandsire Triples, H. Dew, conductor ; and 593 Grandsire Caters: W. Rickett 1, F. Bird 2, P. C. Springham 3, H. M. White 4, II. Dew 5, H. J. Tucker (conductor) 6, H. Champness 7, W. W. Tucker 8, P. Springham 9, C. Ridgwell 10.-On May 24th, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples: W. W. Tucker 1, F. Bird 2, P. C. Springham 3, H. M. White 4, H. J. Thacker (composer and conductor) 5, P Springhain 6, H, Dew 7, W. T. Prior 8.
STANSTED, ESSEX.-Recently, at the Parish Church, before service, 448 Cambridge Surprise Major: G. Gray 1, F. Housdon (Saffron Walden) 2, T. Jordan 3, W. Prior 4, J. Lackey 5, W. Watts 6. W. T. Prior 7, G. Jordan (conductor) 8. 704 Kent Treble Bob Major: W. Watts (conductor) 1, A. Prior (Lertonstone) 2, G. Jordan 3, HI. J. Tucker 4, J. Luckey 5, T. J. Watts 6, W. T. Prior 7. T. Jordan 8.
BOLNEY, SUSSEX.-On May 8th, at the Parish Church, 1008 Bob Major: G. Packham 1, G. Wakler 2, W. Whecler 3, F. Stoner 4, T. Garson 5, G. Lewry 6, W. Vincent 7, W. Walder (conductor) 8. Longest length in the method by the local branch, and also by all the band.

NETHERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.-At St. Andrew's Church, on May 11th, for evening service, and to celebrate the 21st anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Faulkner's wedding, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 41 mins.: W. Massey 1, J. Faulkner 2,. H. Hill 3, H. Hubble 4, E. J. Garratt 5, W. Prestidge 6, A. Prestidge (coaductor) 7, J. Massey 8.

KING'S NORTON. WORCESTERSHIRE-On Whit-Sunday morning, a quarter-peal of Steamair Triples: W. Dowding 1, W. Palmer 2, J. Withers 3. T. Pritchett 4, J. S. Pritchett 5, F. Withers 6, A. Cham: bers (conductor) 7, (W. Dowler 8 .

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By J. R. Jerram.

There appear to have been only five bells previous to 1867. It seems from the inscription on the sixth (the only old bell remaining) that the old peal was cast by Henry Oldfield, of Nottingham. This bell bears his trade mark, a cross of calvary on three steps, surmounted by a crescent and star, with the initials H . O. on either side in Lombardic letters.

The inscriptions on the present peal of eight, which have been kindly obtained for me by Mr. W. Sconce, are as follows:-

## Seventh.

REFUSUM, A.D. I634. DENUO REFUSUM, A.D. 1827. I. RUDHALL, OPERANTE.

## Tenor.

BENEVOLENTIA CIVIUM ERGA DECANUM, F. ANSON, S.T.P. REFUSUM A.D. I827. J. WARNER ET FIL: LONDINI.

## Call-bell.

+ GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO, 1626.
The augmentation of the peal from five to eight is certainly a success, and does the founders credit. The present tenor weighs 29 cwts o qr. I i lbs.

The word "fecerunt" on the sixth must of course be understood in the sense of "fieri fecerunt."


Cifester Cathedral.

Treble.
PRIMO FUSUM A.D. i867. J. WARNER ET FIL: LONDINL.
Second.
[Ditio].
Third.
[Ditto].
Fourth.
DENUO FUSUM A.D. I867. J. WARNER ET FIL: LONDINI.

Fifth.
REFUSUM A.D. 1604. DENUO REFUSUM, A.D.
1827. I. RUDHALL. I SWEETLY TOLING

MEN, DO CALI, TO TASTE ON MEATS THAT FEEIS THE SOOLE.

Sixth.
$\mathrm{H}+\mathrm{O}$ 嫁 + NOS SVMVS CONSTRVCTE AD LAWDEM DOMINI. [and on sound bow] DECANVS ET CAPITVLVM CESTRIE ME FECERVNT $\Lambda N N O$ INNI. 1606. [All this inscription is in Lombardic lettersן.

## ODD CHANGES.

We understand that the scheme for replacing the bell.; at Si. Peter's Church, Brighton, with a peal more worthy of the parish church of such an important town, has so far advanced that a peal of eight with a tenor of about 25 cwt . is assured. It is hoped, however, that it will be possible to make the ring into one of ten bells.

A correspondent has sent us an account of a curious action which is taken in some Devon towers. The rope ends are cut so as to do away with the "tuck" and leave the ringer with a single rope with a knot in the end. This has many disadrantages.

A single end is, of course, not at all comfortable for ringing and does not enable the ringer to get anything like the same grip, while there is, of course, no possibility of lenthening the rope for a short man, or when the weather causes it to shrink. In the course of a visit to some country towers our correspondent found that the cutting had been done in more than one belfry and he
thinks the attention of the incumbents should be drawn to the absurd action, with a view to putting a stop to it.

The Royal Assent has just been given to the Bill constituting the new Diocese to be formed in Essex, and St. Mary's, Chelmsford, has now assumed the dignity of a cathedral.

A large gathering of Essex ringers is expected at Chelmsford for the dedication of the new ring of twelve bells at the cathedral on September 27th. The dedication service is to be held at 3 p.m., the preacher being the Bishop of St. Alban's. At 4 p.m. there will be ringing by a special band, conducted by Mr. Faulkner, and after tea, to which the Rector and churchwardens are issuing invitations, there will be ringing until 8 p.m., when festal evensong will be held. The bells will again be open afterwards until io p.m.

## BELLS AND THEIR USES.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-I read with great interest Mr. Jerram's notes on the use of the six "lady" bells in Lincoln Cathedral. "Two were chimed for service on ordinary days, and four on the eves of Saints' Days, Saturdays and Sundays." This evidently ancient usage admirably illustrates the principle, for which I have consistently contended both in your columns and in the Central Council. It is true that the bells in question were only chimed, an eminently inferior substitute for ringing, but the principle was observed: namely, that of employing the bells to do special honour to Sundays and other Feast Days and of beginning such observance of each festival, including Sundays, the previous evening. Now that chiming has fortunately in most places given place to ringing on all such occasions, it is our part to keep regularly to the ancient usage by ringing on all feast days and their eves, and on Saturday as the eve of Sunday.-Yours truly,
F. Le. EDWARDS.

Kingston Magna Rectory.

## SURPRISE PRINCIPLE.

MR. WASHBROOK'S REPLY TO THE LEGITIMATE METHODS COMMITTEE.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-In answer to the Legitimate Methods Committee allow me to say that I entirely differ from them. My method is a principle, because it fulfils all that is required and all that is possible in a Major Principle, which is, that every bell performs the same work in a course. It is not necessary to argue this point, I hope, that a system could not be allowed because the division ends are alternately "in" and "cut."

We have no right to use the word "illegitimate," have we? Any method that fulfils the order of hunting, dodging, and place-making is legitimate in my opinion. It is not desirable from a musical point of view to ring methods with place-making in $\mathbf{1 - 2}$ and $7-8$, and it is not fashionable to lie four blows in one place in the interior. I am afraid that we are getting too much science and too little art. Here we have a system fulfilling all the old laws of hunting, dodging and place-making in their best form, extremely interesting to ring, difficult (especially if the 6th is moved), and the finest of bell music, and four gentlemen would condemn it because it is not following out some new fangled theory, which not one ringer in a thousand would ever understand or care about. Perhaps these gentlemen would be so kind as to tell us in plain ringers' language what is the matter with the system.

I would also like to remind them that there is no law governing what a Surprise Principle really should be. I am glad to think that this may possibly lead to some opinions on the matter, and before I enter into points of theory on this subject I would be glad to see some outside opinions. But do let us look at things as they are in practice, and not throw some good things away for the sake of some stupid theory that the future generations will laugh at. Let us remember that some of our finest musical composers ignored the theory of music, and a good job they did, too, as we should have been short of some of the best if they had not.
J. W. WASHBROOK.

## THE SUGGESTED APPEAL TO MR. CARNEGIE.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-Is there any independent spirit left in these islands? In many villages and even in large townships one sees Carnegie Free (bless the mark!) Libraries. When a church needs a new organ an appeal is made to Mr. Carnegie, and now one is aghast to find the suggestion of an appeal, and that by a large and representative body, on behalf of church bells. In this despised country a Roman Catholic congregation some years ago had a wretchedly small and unsuitable place of worship. Many of the members had perforce to crowd round the door, the interior being packed. What did they do? Every Sunday for years collectors went round to their houses, and these poor people paid a penny or two of their hard-earned money with clockwork regularity. Now a large and handsome building stands where the former unsuitable one was.
Some grit here! But then Mr. Carnegie had not come back from America. I am sure these people got help outside their own parish, and I do not object to the principle of outside help for church bells, but the idea of relaxing all effort and depending on the gift of one wealthy man who may have no interest in or knowledge of the district is to me most objectionable. -I am, sir, yours, etc.
C. MURRAY.

Laurel Lodge, Blessington, Co. Wicklow.

## ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD. <br> PLEASURE AND BUSINESS AT MARGATE.

Ideal weather favoured the annual outing of the Romney Marsh and District Guild on Saturday, when Margate was visited. Arriving at this charming town fairly early, the party proceeded to St. l'eter's Church, where touches of Grandsire Triples were rung under the conductorship of Messrs. C. W. Player and C. Tribe, Master J. Cobb Pitman, of Lyminge, ringing his first touch of Triples. The Rev. A. II. F. Boughey, of Cambridge, also took part in the ringing. Dinner was served at Austen's restaurant. In the alternoon St. John's was the rendezwous, and the company was angmented by the presence of Messrs. A. J. Saxby (Margate), J. N. Oxborrow (Brixton), and Selby (Westerham). Grandsire and Stedman Triples and l3ob Major were the methods rung, Messrs. J. N. Oxborrow and W. E. Pitman acting as conductors. After tea, which was partaken of at Austen's, the Church of St. Laurence, another peal of eight, were at the visitors' disposal, and some capital Grandsire Triples were rung, Mr. C. W. Player conducting.
Mr. C. Tribe presided at the business meeting which was held, and, on the proposition of Mr. C. W. llayer, seconded by Mr. A. Johnson, the next meeting will be held at New Romney on September 13th, in conjunction with the annual assembly of the Ashford District of the Kent Association, which takes place there on that date. As to the monthly peal, the Master (Mr. G. Billenness) wrote stating that negotiations were in progress regarding the quarterly peal of the Sussex Association (East Division) at Rye. This would probably be on the 3oth August. - It was decided to ask Mr. Keith Hart, of Brighton, who is conducting the peal of Stedman at Rye, to journey to Appledore to make an attempt for Stedman there on the same day.-Master J. Cobb Pitman was enrolled as a member, and Messrs. W. E. l'itman and G. J. Youngs voiced thanks to the clergy at the various churches for the use of the bells. They also expressed gratitude to Messrs. Saxby and Twyman for the splendid arrangements they had made and the cordial welcome they had extended to the visitors. The outing was a huge success, and a great source of enjoyment to all. The towers represented were: Appledore, Ashford, Iyminge, Rye, Salehurst, Sfone-in-Oxney and Tenterden.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

At a well-attended meeting of the Bolton branch at Westhoughton members were present from Bolton, Leigh, Horwich, Walkden, Hindley and Manchester. Some very good touches of Stedman and Treble Bob were rung. It was proposed to hold the next meeting at Horwich ( 8 bells). The ringers wish to thank the Vicar for use of the bells, and also the local band for having the tower ready.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

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## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

NORTHANTS CYCLING TOUR.
A party of Central Northanls ringers had a pleasant cycling tour last week. A start was made as early as 5 a.m., and the Northampton contingent picked up reinforcements on the way until at Towcester the band was complete, and the cyclists made their way to Brackley. Here Plain Bob, 'I'reble Bob and Grandsire Doubles were rung, and then the party proceeded to Evenley, two miles distant. The journey was short, but eventful, as a pair of swerving horses caused the most nervous of the company to "rum in quick" to the hedge. On the light ring of five, in good going order at Evenley, Grandsire and Stedman were rung, and then the Vicar very kindly invited the visitors to lunch on the Vicarage lawn, which was much appreciated. The host and his danghters were very interested in bells and bell ringing, and it would not be surprising to hear there were some more lady ringers soon. After doing full justice to lunch, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar and his daughters for their kind hospitality. A ride of about five miles through very interesting country then brought the party to Ayninoe, where they found a fine peal of eight in very good order, but wery noisy in the ringing chamber. At King's Sutton, another ring of eight were tried, and Grandsire Triples rung. After the bells had been lowered, however, everyone wanted to know where the ropes came from, and when the local ringers said "Banbury," someone remarked that, "although Banbury had a worldwide reputation for making cakes, they had a lot to learn yet in making bell ropes." Middleton Cheney are a grand ring of six, with tenor 28 cwts., and here Bob Minor and Grandsire were rung. After ringing at Marston St. Lawrence, the Vicar invited the visitors to the Vioarage to drink his health, and not one asked to be excused. Tea had been arranged at the Rectory, Thenford, for four o'clock, and on arrival the party found a splendid repast ready for them. After tea, the captain was a little premature, when he proposed a heariy vote of thanks to the Rev. and Mis. Crum for their kindness, for the Rector, in his reply, said it was not Mrs. Crum yet, but he hoped it would be soon. So best wishes for their future happiness were added to the vote of thanks. At the church the nice light ring of five were set going to Stedman and Grandsire. Culworth, another ring of five, provided the last call of the day, for on arriving at Morton Pinknye a death in the village prevented ringing. The sixteen mile lide back to Northampton was safely accomplished, and everyone agreed it was a splendid day's outing. The band was as follows: F. Hopper, W. Allen, J. Dean (Northampton), H. Clarke (Kingsthorpe), A. Snieathers (Finedon), F. Rowledge (Moulton), A. Starmer (Flore), T. Law (Weston Favell), and they take this opportunity of thanking the clergy for giving permission, and the looal ringers for having the bells ready.

## A MIDDLESEX OUTING.

The members of the St. Hary's Guild, Acton, visited Hayes and Uxbridge for their annual outing. The first call was made at Hayes, where, by the kind parmission of the Vicar (the Rev. E. R. Hudson), the ring of six at St. Mary's was placed at their disposal. Before ringing, the ancient edifice, one of the oldest in the county, was inspected, and a risit was paid to the summit of the tower, where the magnificent view of the surrounding country rewarded those who delighted in the olimb
Mr. Bolton, the steeplekeeper, who had everything in readiness, joined the visitors in several touches of Grandsire and Stedman, which were brought round. The party then proceeded to Hillingdon West, where the beantiful peal of eight at St. Andrew's was kindly placed at their disposal by the Vicar (the Rev. F. O. Sutton, M.A.), who gave them a very hearty welcome. Mr. Waite, the steeplekeeper, having got things comfortably arranged, $几$ course or two was rung, and then the visitors adjourned for a meat tea, at which they were met by the Rev. C. H. Shakespear, B.A., of Sit. Mary's, Acton, who presided, sup-
ported by Mr. J. R. Nackman, the instructor to the Guild.-Mr. H. W. Cotton (secretary) welcomed and thanked Mr. Shakespear for his presence, and the Chairman briefly replied.-Mr. R. Holloway (captain) said haw very pleased he was to find that the Guild was entirely self-supporting, and he was also pleased to think that this outing did not necessitate them having to fall back upon the generosity of the parishioners. They had to thank Mr. Mackman, their itutor, for the fatherly manner in which he coaxed them along in the art of change ringing. He suggested that the next outing should bo one extending over a week-end, and proposed Beaconsfield and Figh Wycombe, and adjoming neighbourhoods.-Mr. J. R. Mackman thanked the captain for his complimentary remarks, and said that the progress made by the individual members of the Guild had pleased him very well indeed, andi he wished to impress upon all present that tho only way to become proficient in the art of campanology was to stick to it, by attending and ringing for divine services, and getting as much practice as possible. One of the most important points was to listen to the striking."-A yote of thanks was accorded to the Rev. C. H. Shakespear for presiding, and to the Rev. E. R. Fudson, M.A., and the Rev. F. O. 'Sutton, M.A., for the use of their bells. - The whole of the party returned to St. Andrew's, where many courses each of Grandsire, Stedman and Bob Major were rung, with the kind assistance of Mr. H. H. Chandler and Mr. J. Pratt. As the party were leaving the tower they were met by the Vicar, who expressed the hope that all had enjoyed themselves, and that they would visit him at some future
date.-The best thanks of the Guild are due to botth Mr . Waite and Mr. Bolton for all they did to add to the enjoyment of the outing.

## ST MARY ABBOTS GUILD AT CHATHAM.

Chatham was the venue of the annual outing of the Abbot's Guild, Kensington, and the party, who numbered 12, were fortunate in in cluding a valuable guide in Inspector Collins, who had made arrangements for a tour round the dockyards. Here, of course, were objects of extreme interest, the museum with its figure heads of old wooden battleships, the splendidly equipped fire station, huge workshops of various kinds, warships in construction and others in dry dock being overhauled, the miniature railway engines and carriages for conveye ing the staff, etc., alout the yaad. These engines had a wire covering over the funmels, but not, as one member suggested, to prevent flys from falling in. The party were also fortunate in being able to go on board the battleship 'Albion,' over which they were conducted by Warrant Officer Cook. The chief items of interest on board were the big twelve inch guns and turrets. The lattor appeared to be arranged so as to turn wherever required, but whether in half turns or whole turns no information was given, or whether the gunners made a bob when the guns were fired is not known.
Gillingham was the first tower visited, where the ringers, in company with Messrs. Haigh and Cook, enjoyed touches of Stedman, Treble Bob, etc. After lunch the party, who were augmented by three more members, visited St. Margaret's, Rochester, but some difficulty was experienced in ringing owing to a long draft and troublo with a stay. The Cathedral was next on tho programme, and the long aud torturous elimb to the ringing chamber was well repaid with touches of Stedman, Superlative and London on this fine ring of eight. Tea and a walk round the castle and grounds, and mspection of various features of interest in Rochester, brought the visit to a close, votes of thanks having been duly accorded to Messrs. Haigh, Cook and all others who had contributed to the day's enjoyment, as well as to the yarious aruthorities for the use of the bells. On the return journey to town the party had a somewhat alarming experience, having selected compartments near the engine. After going for some minules tho carriage roof was subjected to a ternific bombardment, and, on looking out to see what was amiss it was thought at first that a cluster of shooting stars must have got in our way. However further investiga tion revealed the fact that it was only a South-Eastern and Chatham Railway Company's engine on its metal trying to make up lost tims and throwing out lumps of red hot coal in its efforts. This company should take a tip from the dockyard engines unless they wish to cremate their passengers.

## MISSIONARY OUTING.

A " missionary expedition "was indulged in by the Coseley (Staffs) Parish Churoh company for their anmual outing, the villages of Trysull, Pattingham and Patshull being visited. Accompanied by Mus. Gough and Miss Mullett, Messrs. Bayliss brothers, of Bradley, and Mr. and Mrs. D. Jones, of St. Luke's, Wolverhampton, the party had a pleasant drive to Trysull, where the finc-toned ring of six were utilised,
and two six-scores of Grandsire Doubles and 720 Grandsire and two six-scores of Grandsire Doubles and 720 Grandsire Minor were rung to the delight of the villagers. At Pattingham, where te was partaken of, Grandsire, Oxford Bob, and Darlaston Bob Tr Plain Bob and Canterbury Pleasure Major were rung. In the evening Patshull Park, the seat of Lord Dartmouth, and the pretty littio church were visitcd. In the newly painted and renovated belfry Grandsire and Stcdman Doubles, and Clanterbury and Plain Bob
Minor wero rung before the horses' heads were turned for home, which Minor wers rung before the horses' heads were turned for home, which was reached at 11 p.m., after a most enjoyable outing.

## BOYNE HILLL.

On August Bank Holiday, the ringers of Bayne Hill, Maidenhead, held their annual outing, and visited IIurst, Twyford, Sonning, and Henley-on-Thames. Touches of Stedman, Double Norwich, Plain Bob and Grandsire being rung at cach tower, and a most enjoyable day spent. The ringers wish, throngh the medium of the "Ringing World," to thank the clergy and foremen of the respective towers for having everything ready, and last but not least, the Vicar of Twyford for his kind invitation to lunch after the ringing at this tower. The Rev. R. W. Acworth was much delighted with the ringing of the handbells piloted by Mr. G. Martin, to whose share, as usual, fell the duties of conductor for the day.

The ringers of Longhton and Woodford, Essex, had their annual outing on Bank Holiday. Mr. Edgar Wighiman and Mr. J. Rann are to be congratulated on the succass of their arrangements. Tho places and towers originally selecled were: Tottenham, Wood Green Wigh Barnet and Old Southgate, but owing to a business demand of The company numbered 14, and a brake was requisitioned at Loughton for the day. Various touches from Grandsire Triples to Forward and Double Norwich were successfully performed at each tower visited. Tune playing on the handbells by Messrs. Morse, Kimberley, Green and Wightman further enlivencd the proceedings. Dinner was partaken of at the Church House, Barnet, where touches of Stedman and Grand sire were accomplished on the handbells by Messrs. Wightman, Garter, Frecman, Bacon and Rann. Thanks arc due to Messis. R. Roffey, Miller and Dart for their attentions to the comforts of the party, who spent a most enjoyable day.

## BURNHAM REVISITED.

Once again the St. Ann's Guild, South Tottenham, paid a visit to Burnham-on-Crouch for their annual outing, and were favoured with splendid weather. On the journey down the handbells were brought into use, and several methods rung. They were met by Mr. Cook, captain of the Burnham band, and indulged in an hour's ringing. $\Lambda$ ramble by the water was then enjoyed, and then lunch was partaken of at the Welcome Sailor. Afterwards 720 Bob Minor was rung by T. Groombridge, junr., 1, T. Ringrose 2, E. Davidson 3, J. Hunt 4, A. Howell 5, C. Ross (conductor) 6. Several touches of Grandsire Doubles were also rung, with some of the lacal men standing in. At tea, regret was expressed that the Vicar (the Rev. H. W. Witson) was unable to be present through illness, and that, owing to pressure of business, Messrs. R. and A. Warner were not able to join the party, although the visitors appreciated the presence of Mr . Mackney (Messrs. Warner and Sons' manager). Piano selections were given by Mr. Groombridge, and after votes of thanks to those who lad made the arrangements the party returned to London after a most enjoyable day.

## VISTT TO ORSETT.

On Saturday week, the Christ Church, Wanstead, Society, with Mr. H. Lumens, secretary of the S.W. Division of the Essex Association, paidl a visit to Orsett Church, which was reached by motor-car, by way of Ifford, Hornchurch and Ockendon. The party was met by Mr. A. Kecling, and touches of Oxford', Kent and Plain Bob were indulged in till 5.15, when an adjournment was made for tea at Mr. Keeling's residence, where a most sumptuous repast was awaiting them. Returning to the ohurch, 720 of Plain Bob was rung, followed by an attempt for 720 of Kent, which unfortunately came to grief, after ringing 18 mins. Stedman and Grandsire Doubles were then indulged in, after which the bells were lowered, the time having passed all too quickly. An enjoyable evening ride brought the partoy back at Leytonstone at 10 p.m. Thanks are due to the hector for the use of the bells, to Mrs. Keeling for providing tea, and Mr. Keeling for making the arrangements for the risit, which the band hope to repeat at some futrire date.

## AT EVESHAM

The ringers of Aston visited Evesham for their annual outing, and were accompanied by Messrs. Carter, Godden, Morris and others. They were met by Mr. Middleton, who conducted them to the tower, where Stedman, Grandsire and Plain Bob were rung on the fine peal of

Host Moreton, one of the local ringers, served up a splendid dinner, after which Mr. W. H. Godden proposed a vote of thanks to the churchwardens of Aston for their kindness and consideration in
pioviding the ringers with an outing and supper every year.-Thanks were also accorded the tower keeper (Mr. James Jones) for his serrices, and mention was made of the regular attendance of the band at Sunday ringing. -Mr. M. J. Morris seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.-A pleasant evening was spent with hand bells and singing.

## NEWCASTLE GUILD IN DUBLIN.

## HOLIDAY TRIP TO THE EMERALD ISLE.

Dear dirty Dublin " was the destination of the Newcastle Cathedral Guitd, on the occasion of their annual excursion. En route they made a call at Manchaster, where they were met by Mr. Harry Ohapman, who, after lunch, conducted the party to Pendleton, where short touches of Stedman and Forward were brought round on the fine ring of eiglit. After tea, a visit was paid to the Town. Hall, where the
party was increased by the presence of the Rev. A. T. Beeston, and party was increased by the presence of the Rev. A. T. Beeston, and but instead, several touches were inng, as time was short and the weather very warm. Stedman Caters and Forward Royal were successfully brought round, and also a touch of Grandsire Caters on handbells. Botween whiles the visitors were conducted round the tower, the remarks, humorous and otherwise, of the genial tower keeper, being much appreciated, and the general arrangement and equipment of the tower much admired. After a social half-hour with their Manchester friends, the party entranined for Holyhead, getting separated from each other in the process, owing to the tremendous crowd. However, all turned up safely at Holyhead, and embarked on the s.s. "Hibernia," which left at 2 a.m., and after a smonth passage, enlivened by handbell music (touches of Grandsire Triples and Caters, and the "Blue Bells of Scotland," being brought round, much to the delight of the passengers), arrived at Dublin at $5.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. After replenishing the furnaces, \{ gentleman not unknown in the ringing world, Mr. Lindoff, to wit, was sought out, and after introductions and a pleasant chat, the tisitors were conducted to the well-appointed belfry, of the noble Cathedral of St. Patrick. The bells were not raised, the visitors being content with looking round and commenting upon the thought, care, and generosity, which was apparent on every hand. Then across to After tra, the party quite acoidentally encountered Mr. Richard Hibgreater portion of the evening. The visitors were now feeling the effects of their long journey, but took the car for Dollymount, and had a pleasant walk along the pier there, from which many felt
tempted to bathe but were afraid the tired frame would not stand it. Then a social half-hour and to bed after certain ceremonies, into which pillows entered very largely, bad been gone tihrough. Up betimes on Sunday morning, the party met the boat with their " master " on board. He had becn prevented by business from joining them earlier, and now arrived looking happy and smiling. Two jaunting oars were chartered', and after a swift passage, the ham and eggs provided for breakfast disappeared in fino style. Tracks were next made for St. Patrick's, where the magnificent ring of twelve were soon going to Stedman Cinques, the music produced being much admired by the vinitors. St. John's was next visited, and after a perilous climb up a flimsy looking helical staircase, which one of the party did not attempt, essayed to ring a touch of Stedman Gaters, but found it impossible, owing to the bad going of the 9th. The return journey was safely accomplished, though not without some nerve tremors, on looking down on the worshippers far below. After rdinner, St. Patrick's was again visited, and a well-struck touch of Erin Cinques was brought round for afternoon service. This augered well for the morrow, when a peal in this method was to be attempted. Proceeding to Christ Church, the visitors brought round a touch of Erin Caters. After tea, a car ride was undertaken, and a pleasant evening spent at Dalkey (which is outside the five miles' limit).

## IISFORTUNE IN PEAL ATVIEMPTS.

Monday dawned, and hopes of a peal wero high. The band was strengthened by the inclusion of Mr. R. Hibbert, and a start was made at St. Patrick's for a peal of Erin Cinques. But, alas, after 2 hrs. and 10 mins., something went wrong in the turning course, and what was to have been the first peal of Erin Cinques in the Emerald Isle, collapsed. The attempt was a brave one, and the striking beyond criticism. Misfortune dogged the steps of the party throughout the day, for in the evening, when a Oinques band could not be raised, an attempt for a peal of Stedman Caters at the same tower, was brought to an untimely end, after 2 hrs. and 40 mins. good ringing, owing to the composition having a wrong turning course. It is but fair to the conductor to mention, that he only received the figures of the peal of Cinques on the Saturday morning, and not being prepared for Caters, looked at the figures for ten minutes only, before starting, and had not time to prick them over to see that things were all right. The disappointment naturally was great, but the band consoled themselves with the thought that though beaten this time, they had given a good: account of themselves.
On Tuesday morming a visit was paid to the famous brewery of Guinness, Mr. Lindoff having procured the party a permit. There the making of stout was followed with the keenest interest, and they were much impressed by the wonderful cleanliness of the brewery, and the enormous size of the vats in which the liquor is stored previous to export. These vats are circular oaken receptacles, capable of holding 1,700 hogsheads, an amount sufficient to supply every soldier in the British Army with $2 \frac{1}{2}$ pints.

In the afternoon Bray was visited. A peal was to lhave been attempted here, but again misfortune awaited the party, the stock of the 6th being cracked, and rendering the bell unsafe for ringing. So a loug walk along the cliffs brought the visit to a close, and the party returned to Dublin in time to catch their steamer. Of how our conductor had a tooth drawn on Bray head, and how he fared on Monday evening, after retiring to bed 'tis best to draw a veil. Neither he nor the other members of the party are likely to forget it.
In conclusion, the Gnitd, through the medium of this paper, wishes to thank the incumbents and authorities who granted the use of tite bells: Messrs. Lindoff and Tomnley, of Dublin; Messrs. Chapman and Beeston, of Manchester, and all others who so willingly co-operated, to make the outing such a successful and enjoyable one. The names of those who took part in the touches and peal attempts at St. Patrick's are as iollows:-Morning service: Stedman Cinques: J. A. Townley 1, J. Kemp 2, C. L. Routledge 3, G. Booker 4, R. Tait 5. B. C. Dixon 6, G. Lindoff 7, A. F. Hillier 8, J. Keen 9, W. H. Barber 10, R. Richarids 11, J. W. Townley 12.
Evening Service.-Frin Cinques: J. Kemp 1, G. Lindoff 2, C. L. Routledge 3, W. Lynch 4, R. Tait 5, B. C. Dixon 6, R. Lynch 7, A. F. Hiller 8, J. E. Keen 9, W. H. Barber 10, R. Richards 11, J. W. Townley 12.

Peal attempt.-Erin Cinques: J. A. Townley 1, J. Kemp 2, C. L. Routledge 3, R. Hibbert 4, W. H. Barber 5, B. C. Dixon 6, G. Lindoff 7, A. F. Hillier 8, J. E. Keen 9, J. W. Towaley 10, R. Richards 11, J. Noblitt 12.
Peal attempt. Stedman Caters: J. Kemp 1, C. L. Routledge 2, G. Lindoff 3 , J. W. To wnley 4, R. Lynch 5 , A. F. Hillier 6, B. C. Dixon 7, J. W. Keen 8, W. H. Barber 9, R. Richards 10. Conductor throughW. H. Barber.

In connection with the trip, as is interesting to note that touches were rung on handbells in every county through which the party passed.
ALDERSHOT--At the Parish Church, on May 5th, in 23 mins., 720 Bob Minor: C. Edwaids 1, J. Woolacott (first 720 with a bob bell) 2, A. Croucher 3, H. Chaffey 4, V. A. Jarrett (R.E. band), condructor, 5, Lce.Corpl. R. Keeble. R.E., 6.

BICTON, SALOP.-On May 11th, at St. Mary's Church, 720 Oxford Bob Minor, 360 Plain Bob and 360 Grandsire: J. Tudor 1, P. Brooks 2, E. R. T. Corbett 3, G. R. Lilley (conductor) 4, W. R. Stockdale 5, A. Fullick 6.

## NOTICES.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, August 23rd, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 prompt; a good attendance is earnestly requested.- J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Blackburn Branch. - The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at the Parish Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, August 23rd, I9I3. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m. ; a good attendance is requested.--J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-Wellingboro' District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Mears Ashby on Saturday, August 23rd. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock.-W. Perkins, District Secretary, 6 Addington Road, Irthlingborough.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Central Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Balcombe on Saturday, August 23rd. Tower open from 2 till 9. Short service 4.45. Tea 5. I 5 at the Half Moon Assembly Room, by kind invitation of the Rector. Business to follow.A. D. Stone, Divisional Hon. Secretary, 29, Ashton Street, Brighton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Mark's, Worsley, on Saturday, August 23rd. Bells available at 4 p.m.; meeting at 7.-W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary, 103, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.-Established 1755 -Quarterly meeting will be held at Yardley, Saturday, August 23rd. Bells available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at Talbot Hotel, gd. per head, at $5 \cdot 30$; to be followed by business meeting.-A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, ir, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

THE WARIVICKSHIRE GUILD.-A monthly meeting will be held at Hatton on Saturday, August 23 rd. Bells (6) available from 3.30 p.m.-Rev. C. C. Cox, Hon. Secretary, Shottery.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -Established 1637.-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on August 28 th, at 7.30; St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays, 8 p.m.William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Womborne, Staffordshire, on Saturday, August 3oth. Bells available at 3.30. Service in church at 5 o'clock, to be conducted by the Rev. E. P. Nicholas (Vicar). Business meeting afterwards.-Herbert Sheppard, Honorary Scretary, 66, Himley Road, Dudley.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North Western Division.-A district meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Harlow, on Saturday, August 3oth, 19I3. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea and business meeting at the Parish Institute at 5 p.m. Those intending to be present kindly notify me by Wednesday, August 27th.-William Watts, District Secretary, Mont House Cottage, Stansted, Essex.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICT ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Evesham on Saturday, August 3oth. Service in All Saints' Church at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting in the Parish Hall after service. Will all those intending to be present at tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, August 26th? The bells (ro) will be available.-N.B.-All members are requested to try and attend service. - J. Hemming, Branch Secretary, io, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.-A cycle run will take place on Saturday, August 3oth; 3 p.m. Aldridge (5); 4.15 p.m. Pelsall (5); $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. tea (free) and ringing at Rushall (6). Names for tea to be sent in by the 28th.-Rev. E. V. Cox, 39, Westbourne Road, Walsall.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The annual meeting will be held at Hoghton on Saturday, August 3oth. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 5.30. A good attendance is requested.-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-dale.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District.-A meeting will be held at Barton-le-Cloy on Saturday, August 3oth, 19r3. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-A. King, Hon. Secretary, 6, Tavistock Crescent, Luton.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Stockport Branch. -The next meeting will be held at New Mills on Saturday, August 3oth.-Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Branch Secretary, New Mills.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton-on-Trent District.-A meeting will be held at Neatherseale, on Saturday, August 3oth. Bells ready at $3 \cdot 30$. By the lindness of the Vicar tea will be provided for all those attending who send in their names not later than Wednesday, August 27th, to Harry Wakley, I60, Horninglow Road N., Burton-on-Trent.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Sunbury, on Saturday, September 6th. Bells available from 40 'clock. Tea, by kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. P. C. West). -H. C. Chandler, Hon. Secretary, Heston, Hounslow

ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at Shrewsbury on Saturday, September 6th, I9I3. Ringing at St. Mary's at 3 p.m.; also at St. Michael's and, if possible, at St. Chad's, St. Julian's and St. Alkmund's during the afternoon. Service at St. Chad's Church 5 p.m.; preacher, Rev. F. V. Cox. Tea at St. Chad's Room 5.45 p.m. Business meeting after tea. -Rev. H. B. Beckwith, Hon. Secretary, Ridgemount, Shrewsbury.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South Western Division.The annual meeting will be held at Romford on Saturday, September 6th. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Short service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and business meeting in the Parish Hall. Members will oblige by notifying , me by Wednesday, September 3rd, their intention of attending the mecting. Several 1913 subscriptions have not yet been received, and members will oblige by send. ing same to H. Rumens, Hon. District Secretary, 32, Verulam Avenue.

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.-The half-yearly meeting will take place at Portmadoc, on September 6th. Meeting in the Church Room at 3.I5 p.m. Tea after
meeting. Those intending to be present kindly inform Mr. J. McMillan, 15, High Street, Portmadoc, not later than September ist.-H. Moore, Junr., Wrexham, Hon. Sec.

LYMINGE, KENT.-Will ringers kindly observe that, with the full sanction of the Rector, the Rev. A. F. Rutty, M.A., all applications for the use of the bells (peals or otherwise) be addressed to the newly elected captain of the local band, Mr. E. Fisher, Well House, Lyminge. Sunday ringing, 10.15 a.m. and 5.45 p.m. Practice nights on Thursdays at 8 p.m.-W. E. Pitman, Mus. Bac., F.R.C.O., Honorary Secretary.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-The address of Mr. Harry Barton is now The Country House, High Street, Ventnor.

PEAL BOOKS.-Price 3s. 6d., post free, 300 pages. The first peal written in (with weather-proof inks) free of charge, if particulars of same are enclosed with order.J. Beams, Fir Tree Road, Banstead, Epsom, Surrey.

## HOLIDAY APARTMENTS.

Having frequently had inquiries from ringers for information as to other members of the Exercise who have holiday apartments to let, we offer the use of our columns to those who cater for visitors at seaside and other resorts. Terms for insertion will be sent on application.

VISITORS TO BLACKPOOL will find every convenience at Mrs. E. Howarth's, I4, May Bell Avenue, Springfield Road, Blackpool, N.S.

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LONDON. - London County Association. - On May 15th, at St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 47 mins.: F. V. Martin 1, *F. C. J. Andrews 2, G. H. Hughes 3, T. H. Thffcrider (conductor) 4, A. Turner 5, H. T. Gowlett 6, *L. B. Porter 7, E. Holman (first quarter-peal) 8. FFirst quarter-peal of Stedman.On May 5tl, at St. Mary's, S.E., 1280 Cambridge Surprise Major, in 47 mins.: T. Walker 1, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, C. H. Hughes 3, R. N. Runham 4, J. Cornford 5, C. W. R. Grimwood 6, A. D. Barker 7. F. J. Hardy 8. First quarter-peal of Surprise on the bells.-On June 8th, at St Leonard's, Streatham, for evening service, a quarterDeal of Cambridge Surprise Major (1280 changes), in 46 mins. : E. Gibbs 1. T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, C. H. Hughes 3, L. Attwater 4, R. N. Runham 5, C. F. Winney 6, A. D. Barker 7, F. J. Hardy 8. First quarter-peal of Surprise upon the bells.
CHARLTON KINGS, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.-On May 10th, an attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples came to grief after 2 hrs 45 mins . II. Shercliff 1, A. K. Harrison 2, C. Sanders 3, J. Austin 4. A. P. Wakley (conductor) 5, A. S. Boar 6, J. T. Dyke 7, J. Bastin (first at tempt) 8.
DITCHINGHAM.-Norwich Association.-At St. Mary's Church, on May 11th, 360 Bob Minor: II. Barrel 1, C. Woods 2, W. Woods 3, T. Teckett 4, L. Hembling 5, H. Tarrhead (conductor) 6.
BUNGAY.-At St. Mary's Church, on May 11 th, 360 and 216 Bob Minor: H. Barrel 1. C. Woods 2, T. Beckett 3, L. Hembling 4, E. Tincoln 5, II. Fairhead (conductor) 6.

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Arohitect, Diocesan Surveyor.

## DIOCESAN DIVISIONS.

A good deal is being done in ecclesiastical spheres at the present time to recluce the very unwieldy size of several of our dioceses, and in its last session Parliament passed an Act cutting off the county of Essex from the diocese of St. Albans and constituting it a separate See. Similar steps are to be taken in regard to York, out of which is to be carved the new diocese of Sheffield, and Norwich, from which Suffolk is to be severed. The diocese of Oxford, which now includes three counties (Oxford, Berk and Bucks), will probably be divided in the near future, and it is not unlikely that it will not be long before a similar step may be taken in regard to Winchester, which covers Hampshire, the Isle of Wight, a large portion of Surrey and the Channel Islands.

With the reasons which have led the Church to reduce the size of some of its ancient Sees we, as ringers, have little to do, but the results-the constitution of clioceses with smaller areas-may have effects upon some of our ringing organisations, especially where the societies are now diocesan in character. Those associations and guilds which are likely to be affected will do well to take the matter into serious consideration, because under the altered regime there are certain to be those who will want to go with their new diocese and establish themselves as separate and distinct entities. Naturally it will be in the interests of the established societies to retain their present membership unimpaired, although it is possible to mention districts in connection with more than one ringing organisation where the members seem so far away from the centre that they are not in effective touch with their association, which, to them, exists in little more than name only. These are the quarters from which an effort to break away from the parent society is most likely to come with the ecclesiastical division of a diocese.

To preserve the unity of existing districts it will be well, therefore, for the associations concerned to spare no effort to retain the interest of ringers in every corner of their respective spheres of action. This advice may, perhaps, be considered superfluous, but in view of the present tendency to decentralise and of the desire for still more effective " home rule" which generally follows, it does not require a big stretch of the imagination to see that in districts remote from the centre of administrative activity there may spring up a desire to establish new organisations to meet what would, perhaps, be described as the altered needs of the times. To allay the chance of any break away of this kind, therefore, it cannot be altogether superfluous to focus attention upon the subject, which may, in more than one instance, call for careful handling in the near future.

## CHARLES CARR, $\frac{\text { III }}{\text { I }}$



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Dear sirs,
1 have great $\mu$ leasure in stating that we are perfectly gatisfed with the manner in which you have :arried out the work entrusted to ou of re-arranging and re-banging he Broomteld Church Bells.
We consjifer that the work redecus great credit upun jour Him, $_{\text {m }}$, and beliepe that jour system of hanging the belis reduces the vibraiton of the steel frame supplied by you to a minimum.
The CHURCHWARDENS unite *ith ME in this expression of opinion. The BELILINGERS are also unanimous in their praise of sbe alterations effected by you.

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## TEN BELL PEAL.

WEST HAM, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, August 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES ;

 Tenor 28 cwt.William H. Doran
..Treble
William Truss
..Treble
William H. Theobald...

... 4 ERnest. Pye ... ..... .8
*Augustus G. Scambler... 5 George Potter ...
Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by George R. Pye.

* First peal of Stedman Caters.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

PENDLETON, MANCHESTER.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, August 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF StEdman triples, 5040 GHanges;
Tildrstans' Four-Part. Tenor is cwt.
Frank Smith ... ... ...Treble | Harry Shuker... ... ... 5 Edward Wreaks ... .... 2 | Harry Chapman... Robert Davies ...... George E. Turner ... ... 4 | Herbert Berry ... ...Tenor Conducted by Thomas Bottrill.

* First peal of Stedman.

IONDON
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(Late the St. James' Society.)
On Monday, August 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-fue Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary, Battersea,
A Peal of stedman triples, 5040 Changes;
'Thurstans' Four-Part.
Henry Jennings ... ...Treble
Thomas H. Taffender ... 2
Richard N. Ronham … 3
John W. Cornford... $\cdots \frac{. .}{} 4$ Frederick J. Hardy $\quad . . .7$ feror
Conducted by Thomas H. Taffender.

- First peal in the method. Mr. Jennings hails from Ryde, I.O.W.

DEANE, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, August 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES; Thurstans' Four-Part.

Tenor I4 cwt.

| John Potter | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ...$T r e b l e$ | George Pincotit ... | .. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Fred Abbott | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. | 2 | William Penningion | .. | 6 |

$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Fred Abbott } & \ldots & . . . & \ldots & 2 \\ \text { Thomas Worsley } & \ldots & \ldots & 3 & \text { William Penningion } \\ \text { The } & \text {... } & 6\end{array}$

| John Welsby | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | 4 | Thtus Barlow ... | ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Conducted by Titus Barlow.

HORRINGER, SUFFOLK. THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Tuesday, August 19, 1913, in Three Hours,

At the Chorch of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANEES; Tenor 9 cwt. ○ qr. 3 lbs.

Composed by J. Pagett, and
Conducted by S. H. Symonds.
First peal in the method on the bells.

BURTON-ON-TRENT STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, August 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Modwen,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Changes;
Holt's Ten-Part. Tenor ig cwht.
John H. Swinfield ... ...Treble John H. Benstead ... 5 Thomas Dicken ...... Joseph Brittan ......$\quad$... 3 Leonard Bullock ... $\quad .$. Harry Kendrick ... ... 4 Leslie C. Smith ... ...Tenor Conducted by Leonard Bullock.

FINEDON, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Tucsday, August 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

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\text { Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor } 2 \mathrm{I} \text { cwt. }
$$

*Thomas M. Shrive ... ...Treble Phillip W. Manning John R. Main ......$\quad$... 2 Thomas Abbott ... ... 6 George Bassford ... ... 3 Arther Smeathers ... 7 *Harry Thompkins ....... 4 - Frederick Warren ....Tenor

* First peal and first attempt. First peal on the bells by a local band and the first on the bells, which were recast and rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, in memory of Ellen Mackworth Dolben, who was ever ready to help the church and the poor and needy in the parish of Finedon.


## GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, August 20, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 Changes; Tenor $22 \frac{1}{1} \mathrm{cw}$., in E flat.
Robert W. Falconer ...Treble $\mid$ R. Alder Gofton ... ... 5 Josepf A. Gofton ... ... 2 Alfred H. Hillier ... E Charles L. Routledge... 3 Thomas T. Gofion... ${ }^{\ldots}$... 7 Charles W. Wheeler ... 4 William H. Barber ...Tenov Composed by Arthur Craven, and Conducted by R. W. Falconer.
Quickest peal on the bells. Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. John F. Bird, secretary of the Gosforth Guild, to Miss K. Sanderson, of Gosforth, to whom the ringers tender their best wishes for happiness and prosperity. The occasion was also the anniversary of the wedding of Mr. Richardson, master of the Gosforth company.

MARSHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, August 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Fijty Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOS MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 7 cwt . I qr.
Arthur Coleman ... ...Tveble "Charles Newland ... ... 5 George S. Soame ... ... 2 George H. Cross ... .... 6 -Cecil R. Chamberlain ... 3 Ernest Suffling ... ... 7 Albert G. Warnes ... 4 John Moy ... ... ... ...Tenor

Composed and Conducted by George H. Cross. First peal of Major.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, August 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Matthew, Upper Clapton,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Five-Part. Tenor i3 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lbs ., in F
Robert E. Pellatt ...Treble $\mid$ Henry J. Cantor ... ... 5 Willians J. Kemp ......$z^{2}$ Henry J. King ... ... 6 *Henry J. Sudell.. .9 Charles A. Gray ... ... 4 *Leonard G. Hicks... ...Tenor Conducted by William J. Kemp.

- First peal. $\dagger$ First peal with a bob bell. This is the first peal rung on the bells by an entirely local band.


## BILSTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY GUILD.
On Thursday, August 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutts, At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF KENT TREbLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 Chances; Tenor if cwt.
Benjamin Gough ... ...Treble *Frank W. Perrens ... 5

George Hughes... ... ... 3 William Fisher ... ... 7
Christopher Wallater ... 4 Thomas J. Elton ... ....Tenor
Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by Thomas J. Elton.

* First peal. First peal of Treble Bob on the bells.

NOTTINGHAM.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, August 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF Keht treble bob Major, 5184 Chances ;

Tenor 21 cwt .
Neville H. Widdowson ...Tyeble
joseph Woolley ... ... 2
Salele ... ... J. Charles Dicken... ... 6 Samuel Wesley... Frank Johnson ......

Composed by Arthur Knights, and
Conducted by Neville H. Widdowson.
The conductor's 50th peal.

## HALSTEAD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A Vartation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor I4 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
William Root ... ... ...Treble | Frank Claydon ... ... 5
Andrew Shufflebotham... 2 Walter Burst...
Horace H. Cooper ... ... 3 James Fledty ... ... ... 7 Lewis Wiseman ... ... ... 4 •John Root ... ... ...Tenor

Conducted by A. Shofflebotham.

* First peal. First peal of Grandsire on the bells.

FARNHAM ROYAL, BUCKS. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, August 23, 1913, in Thyee Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGE8;
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
George H. Gutteridge Treble $\mid$ William Wielling... ... 5
*William Henley ... ... 2 Herbert Cox ... ... ... 6
William H. Fussell.. $.0 \quad 3$ George Martin $\quad . .$.
Joseph J. Parker ... ... 4 George Allder ... ... Tenoy
Composed by J. J. Parker, and
Conducted by George Martin.
First peal in the method away from the treble. First Surprise peal on the bells. The band represented eight different towers.

## EYE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, August 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor ${ }^{2} 4 \mathrm{cwt}$.


| Allen F. Bailey | ... | .. | 2 | Edgar H. Bailey... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Wilitam Rose | .. | 6 |  |  |

Ernest F. Poppy $\quad . .$.
Composed by William Wightman, and Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.

* First peal in the method.


## BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.

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THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (North Bucks Branch.)
(n Saturday', August 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Twolve Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANCES;
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## Holt's Ten-P'art.

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†ililliam Mead... ... ...Trelle
† Milliam Mead... ... ...Trelle Thomas Best ... .. J ihn Mead ... ... ... 2 Ephraim Marks ... (.ecil A. Valentine … 3 Harry Sears ... ... ... 7 liev. W. P. Wright ... 4 •James Tomkins... ... ...Tenor * First Conducted by H. Sear.
* First peal on eight bells. + First 5000 in any method. This peal was arranged for the Rev. W. P. Wright, of Hemingbrough, Yorksl: re.
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CARDINGTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, August 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor $22 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in E .

- Arthur Chapman ... ...Treble "Charles Wm. Clarke ... 5
*Edward Chapman ... ... 2 *Herbert Sharp ... ... 6 James Houghton ... ... 3 .William Stapleton ... 7 Anderson York Tyler ... 4 | Walter Perkins ... ...Tenor Composed by C. Middeeton, and Conducted by Walter Perkins.
* First peal in the method. First peal in the method in Bedfordshire by the Association. Rung on the 16th anniversary of the wedling of Mr. Edward Chapman.


## PUDSEY, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-fue Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF STEDRAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Heywoon's Transposition. Tenor i6 cwt.

 Villiam Woodhead... ... 2 Frederick W. Dinon | John B. Jackson | $\ldots$ | .. | 3 | Francis Woodhead... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Villiam B. Smith | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Francis Barker | .. | Villiam B. Smith ... ... 4 . 4 Francis Barker... First peal of Stedman on the bells.

BARNSLEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 23, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

 Tenor I5 cwt. †Charles D. Potter Composed by John W. Moorhouse, and Conducted by Thomas R. Hensher.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal in the method. After the peal the band were entertained by Mr. C. D. Potter to a sumptuous tea at the Royal Hotel. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Potter for his hospitality; also to the steeple-keeper for having everything in readiness.


## WOOLWICH, S.E.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, August 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF GANBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHAMGES i

## Tenor i3 cwt.

Edward T. Wigg ..Tyeble Charles T. Coles.
*Arthur J. Neale
Frank Bennett
Isaac G. Shade
Composea by C. Midmedeion, and
*First peal in the method away from the treble. $t$ First peal in the method as conductor. Rung on the eve of St. Bartholomew's Day

## SIX BELL PEALS.

GAYWOOD, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, August 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Faith,
A PEAL OF BOB NIROR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt .
-R. Greenacre ... ... ...Treble $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll}\text { T. Greenacre ... } & \text {... } \\ \text { W } & \text {... }\end{array} 4\right.$

*H. Porter... ... ... ... 3 Gejrge Hawes ... ...Tenor
Conducted by George Hawes.

* First peal.


## LULLINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Wedncslay, August 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double and Single Court, Oxford Bob, Grandsire and Plain Bob. Tenor I4 cwt.
*Algernon P. Stone ...Treble Herbert Hordman... ... 4
Wm. W. Worthingion ... 2 Leonard Bollock ...
John H. Swinfield ... 3 E. Harry Stoneley .... Tenor Conducted by E. H. Stoneley.

* First peal of Minor. This is L. Bullock's Iooth peal.

LAMBERHURST, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, August 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MIMOR, 6040 CHANGES:

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford,
Oxford Bob, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.
Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Andreiv Marshall ... ...Treble $\mid$ Albert Relfe... ... ... 4
Harry Price ... ... ... 2 Walter Marshall.... .... 5

Conducted by Andrew Marshall.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

SKENFRITH, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, August 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being seven different 720's. Tenor 9 cwt .

 | Allen Givynne | .. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Campbell Kings | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John Gwynne | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 |  |  |
| Joh | ... | 3 | William Poston | ... | ...$T e n o r$ |  | Conducted by W. Posion.

Believed to be the first peal on the bells, which are an old ring by Rudhall, recently rehung by Messrs. Day.

## ELSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE,

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Sotthern Branch.)
On Saturday, August 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-tzo Minutes,
At the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being 720 each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double and Single
Oxford, College Single Reverse, Single Court and Plain Bob.
Tenor ro cwt.

Conducted by Sidney Proctor.
Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr . A. C. Hunt, of Aldershot, and Miss C. Rawson, of Elston.

GORING-ON-THAMES, OXON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, August 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Thomas,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720 's each called differently. Tenor $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. Miss Mary ChillingworthTreble $\mid$ Arthur E. Bailey ... 4 -John Bower... ... ... ... 2 James Abery ... ... ... 5 Samuel Paice ... ... ... 3 William J. Paice... ...Tenor Conducted by William J. Paice.

* 5oth peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of 3rd and $4^{\text {th }}$.

CHARLTON MACKEREL, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-niue Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHAHGES; Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
 Conducted by J. Maddock.
First peal on the bells, which have recently been hung by Messrs. Doble \& Son, the "go" being very satisfactory. The band wish to thank the Venerable Archdeacon Brymer for so kindly providing tea after the peal, and also for the use of the bells.

The following peals were rung during a week's holiday spent in Suffolk by Mr. A. H. Pulling.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes, At St. Michael's Rooms,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CRANGES;
Holt's Original. Size Ig, in F.

| Alfred H. Pulling | $\ldots$ | I- 2 | George E. Symonds | ... | $5-6$ |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Hobart | E. Smith... | $\cdots$ | $3-4$ | William Flory | ... | $\cdots$ | $7-8$ |

Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.
Witnesses: Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Pulling.

* First peal of Triples in hand.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.
THE NORFVICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, August 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Rev. H. Earle Bulwer's Irregular Ten-Part. Tenor 22 cwt. o qr. 9 lbs., in $G$.
Alfred H. Pulling... ...Treble $\mid$ Ernest F. Poppy ... ... 5 Leslie C. Wightman ... 2 Alfred S. Wightman ... 6
 Hobart E. Smith ... ... 4 Thomas A. Turner ... Temor Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Monday, August 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Thioty Minutes, At the Crown and Anchor,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Size 17, in A.
Alfred H. Pulling ... I-2 | George E. Symonds ... 5-6
 Composed by A. Knights, and Conducted by Alfred H. Polling. Witness: Mrs. Hawes.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCTATION.
On Wednesday, August 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-four Minutes, At St. Michael's Rooms,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES; Size I4, in D.
Alfred H. Pulling ... 1 - 2 George E. Symonds ... 5-6
Hobart E. Smith ... $. . .53-4$ William Flory...
Composed by F. A. Holden, and
Conducted by Alfred H. Polling. Witness: Mrs. Puling.
This was G. E. Symonds' Iooth peal.
FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, August 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Rev. H. Earle Bulwer's Irregelar Ten-Part. Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lbs ., in F .
William Wightman ...Treble George Wightman... ... 5 *Edward Jenkins ... .... 2 W William G. Crickmer .... 6 Robert H. Hayward ... 3 George E. Symonds ... 7 Hobart E. Smith ... ... 4 | Alfred H. Pulling ...Tenor Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.

* First peal of Stedman and first attempt.


## FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, August 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-seven Mirutf ${ }^{\prime}$ At the Residence of Mr. W. Smith, Willow Cottage,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;
Size 17 , in A .
Alfred H. Pulling ... i- 2 George E. Symonds ... 5-6
Hobart E. Smith... ... 3-4 William Flory ... ... 7-i Composed by G. H. Cross, and Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.
Witnesses: Mrs. J. Smith, Mrs. W. Smith, Mrs. Pelling and W. SiIIth.

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday. August 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes,
At ife Church of St. Mary-Le-Tower,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GINQUES, 5007 GHANGES;
Tenor 30 cwt. 2 qr., in $C$ sharp.
James Motts ... ... ...Treble Charles J. Sedgley ... 7
Robert H. Brundle.. $.2^{2}$ William D. James $\quad . . .8$
William L. Catchpole... 3 William Motts ... ... 9
*Alfred H. Polling $\cdots \frac{1}{}$ William P. Garrett ... 10 Edgar Pemberton ... $\cdots$.. 5 Edward Evans... Henry C. Gillingham ... 6. Charles A. Catchpole Tenor Composed by C. J. Sedgley, and Conducted by James Motrs.

* First peal of Cinques on tower bells.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, August 24, 1913, in Two Hours arl $\%_{\text {irnty Minutes, }}$
At the Residence of G. E. Symonds.

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Original.
Size 17 , in $A$.
Alfred H. Pulling ... i-2 | George E. Symonds ... 5-6 Hobart E. Smith ... ... $3-4$ William Flory ...... Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.

Witness: Mrs. G. E. Symonds.
The ringer of the 4 th in the peal of Stedman Triples at Poole, on August 2nd, was Harold Baverstock, not Harold James, as stated.

## LEICESTER.

## (Continued)

THE STORY OF A HOLIDAY EXCURSION.

## INTFRESTING FACTS ȦBOUT EARLY FOUNDERS.

How was it done? Well, not by aeroplane. An introduction to Mr. Sheddon, a well-known racehorse trainer of Leicester, resulted in that gentleman offering me a seat in his 38 hn.-p. Minerva motor-car for the remainder of his spin round Shepshed, Branstone and Anstey, back to Leicester. Thus, I was in Leicester long before the others, having thoroughly enjoyed one of the prettiest drives in the county, and had a peep at two places of interest-Old John, a ruined castle of historical association, and the place of execution of the unfortunate Lady Jane Grey.

Eleven o'clock came all too soon at Mrs. Willson's, where, after an excellent supper, we had a talk, to use one of Mr. W. W. Gifford's say"ugs, "about what we have done." An old manuscript book signed "John Martin His Booke 1777," was very engrossing, not only on account of its writings of early ringing in Leicester, but of a newspaper cutting from the "Leicester Journal" of that year, by which we learn that the first peal on handbells in England was rung at Abingdon, Berks, in 3 hrs. 10 mins., by five persons, consisting of 5040 Treble Tenin and" Thought to exceed the course of Troble 12-in, rung on 12 handbells by the Cumberlands in 1777."
To Mr. Willson's personal research we are indebted for a true list of all peals rung by the Leicester ringers in the town or in the county since 1773. One of the worthies of the past, Wm. Bull, was a pioneer of change ringing. Most of the first performances were achieved at St. Margaret's Parish Church, and conducted by him, e.g., 3rd May, 1773, 5040 Grandsire Triples on the opening of the bells; 12th August, 1776. 6012 Grandsire Caters. The prosperity of method ringing and the influential character of its adrocates about this time, just when the art of bell founding in Leicester had died out, were second to none in England since John Martin gives the names of all the subscribers to a ringers' fund, in 1777, when $£ 37$ was collected in the town. 'The St. Margaret's Society had rung a 10,080 , which so delighted the townspeople that the performers, on leaving the belfry, were cheered through the streets, the Mayor and aldermen, professional men and tradespeople, all showing appreciation of this wonderful performance. Strange, too, this peal was one of three each of 10,000 changes scored on the same day at separate towers.

## SOME EARLY FOUNDERS

The rapid growth of Leicester had necessitated the erection of a number of modern churches with new rings of bells, but when the late Thomas North published the " Church Bells of Leicestershire" in 1876, there were only the following peals: St. Margaret's, 10; St. Martin's. 10; St. Mary's, 8-in 1830 : St. Mark's, 8 -in 1872; St. Gcorge's, 6 in 1856; All Saints', 5; St. Nicholas' Church possessed three bells, and the rest one each, viz.: Christ Church, Holy Trinity, St. John, St. Andrew, St. Luke, St. Paul, and St. Peter.

The proximity of the Loughborough bell foundry, one of the most up-to-date establishments of its kind in the world, and the personality of the late Mr. John W. Tarlor accounts for so many of these bells beating the well-known name upon them. There is, however, one important exception, that of the fine octave in St. Mary's Church cast by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, at Whitechapel. In 1876 the total number of church bells in the county was 998, of which some 147 were considered to have been made prior to the year 1600 -thirty-two of these bearing an inscription relating or dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and only 18 dated-the earliest dated one being the third at Old Dalby- 1584.
For centuries Leicester was famed for its bell founders, beginning with John of Stafford about 1350, who was Mayor in the years 1366 and 1370. We find Wm. Millers the next bell founder, who died in 1506, being described as "Bell Heytan" or "Yeytaur", that is, Bellzetter, according to h is will dated 29th November, 1506. He left three children, none of whom appear to have been associated with their mother Margery in carrying on the business. This Margery and a third time-to Thomas Newcombe, who died in 1520, leaving two sons and three daughters, and to Thos. Bett, Mayor of Leicester, 1529, and he survived her.
Robert Newcombe, elaest son of the second marriage, eventually married Katherine, a daughter of Betts, and inherited nearly all his property. Succeeding to the foundry he became a prosperous man and father of three sons, who continued the craft. The eldest Thomas Newcombe, who died 1580, purchased the bells of St. Peter's, one of Leicester's early churches pulled down in 1563-1.

BELL FOUNDER REGEIVES KING.
The youngest Edward was Mayor in 1598, thus becoming the fourth Leicester bell founder who had been chief magistrate of the borough. He died about 1611. About this time, Hugh Watts (born 1582), son of Francis Watts, bell founder, began to acquire a great reputation (the last dated bells of the Newcombes are 1612), his bells being numerous in the county, and noted for their fulness and beauty of tone. In 1876 there were nearly 200 of them still in existence. It was during
the Mayoralty of Jual Wrats, that King Charles I paid his first visit to Leicester on the 9th May, 1634, and was received by Hugh Wa.ts and his brethren at the North Bridge, where an address was delivered, and a handsome present of plate made to their Majesties. His Majesty
attended St. Martin's Church on the Sunday, the Mayor and Corporation attending in their robes, the churchwardens' accounts having the following item: "Paid the ringers, being 8, for the tyme that his Majostie stayod in Leicester, 15s. Oc." Hugh died in 1643, and very little bell founding was done in the town afterwards. Three other names occur in connection with the founders' art. George Gurtis, reputed to have been a foreman under Hugh. Watts, admitted to the Freedom of the Borough in 1627, who died in 1650, when the foundry was probably closed, as the entry in the chamberlains' accounts for 1655-6 tend to show: " Item payd for castinge the Cryer's Bell and for the carliage thereof to Nottingham and backe againe, 00. 07. 04.'1 Portions of the founding gear passed into the hands of the Nottingham. founders.

After Curtis, is mentioned Thomas Clay, who appears to have been the reviver of the craft about 1711, so that a half-century had elapsed before his advent, and that was not a very suocessful one, followed by another interval. Edward Arnold was the next and the last man to open a foundry in Leicester (he having worked with and succeeded tothe business of Joseph Eayre, of St. Neots). His forndry was said exist in Hangman's Lane, and the first ring he cast was for Rotbloy, 1784, the name appearing in local accounts down to the year 1798-9.

## THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

The August monthly meeting of the Warwickshire Guild was held at Hatton last Saturday, and, although the attendance was small, a very pleasant afternoon was spent and, as an opportunity for good practice, left nothing to be desired. The church stands well away from the village on the side of the main road which runs between Warwick and Birmingham. It has boen very well restored in recent years, and the ring of six in the tower are of pleasant tone, with a tenor of $13{ }_{4}^{3}$ cwt. They have recently been provided with new ropes and, apart from the feel of the rollers on the back bells, go well. The belfry is on the ground floor, and might be improved by having a curtain which could be drawn across while ringing is in progress. Members put in an appearance from Allesley, Warwick, Rugby and Stratford-on-Avon-the ringing master (Mr. James George) and the hon. secretary (the Rev. C. Cox) being present; and, in addition, two visitors-the Messrs. Stone, from Burton-on-Trent, who were staying in the district. Word came along the next day that the Rev. E. V. Cox had appeared at the church at 5.55 p.m., and had proceeded to Warwick for tea on finding the belfry deserted. As it happened, members had only adjourned fifteen minutes before for tea at the Talcon wayside inn, and ringing was in full swing again at $7.0 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Two of the local band rang well in some six-scores of Grandsire Doubles, but it is a pity that, with the Doubles band they used to have here, the bells are so often silent on Sundays now. The other methods rung were: Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob Minor. The ringers present desire to express their thanks to the Rev. R. J. Hopkins for his kind permission to ring, and also to the sexton for having the tower ready for the meeting.

## RINGERS ENTERTAINED BY BISHOP.

A most enjcyable time was spend by some members of the Winchester district of the Winchester Guild last Saturday, the Bishop of Southampton having kindly invited all members who could, to meet him at his residence, South Hill, Bassett. On arrival, the ringers were very heartily welcomed by his lordship and his friends, and found tea al ready prepared in the lovely garden.-In replying to a vote of thanks which had been proposed to him by the district secretary (Mr. J. W. Elkins), the Bishop said it was a real pleasure to him to have another opportunity of meeting the ringers, and to be able to express to them his high appreciation of their work as church officials. He was also very gratified to know that several of them combined the two offices of choirmen and ringers. His lordship said he always felt sorry when he heard, as he did sometimes, of a good ring of bells in a tower wanting ringers, and of some good ringers eager to exercise their art, and who would become good church workers, but who had no bells in the neighbourhood in which their occupations had placed them.
After a delightful stroll through the spacious grounds. members made their way to St. Michael's Church, where the Vicar had very kindly placed the bells at their disposal for the rest of the evening. Some of the members visited North Stoncham on the way down, and rang touches on the bells there. Mr. George Williams, the general secre tary of the Guild, and Mr. Wilfred Andrews, captain of the Cathedral band, and representatives from Barton Stacey, Bishopstoke, Twyford, Bassetl, North Stoneham, Dibden, Bishop Sutton, Kingeworthy, Hursley, Southampton and Winchester, were present. Very sincere sym pathy was felt for the chairman of the district, the Rev. Canon Braith waite, who could not be present owing to ill-health.

## PRESENTATION AT MANCHESTER.

A presentation was made at the Manchester Towa Hall, ou Saturclay last to Sergt. Car'wright, conductor of the Manchester Town Hall ingers, on his retirement, after 34 years' ringing
The present consisted of a silver-plated flower stand, and the inscrip tion read: "Presented to Scrgt. W. Cartwright by the Manchester Town Hall ringers on his retirement, after 34 years ringing, 1879 to 1913.'

Mr. J. Sherwin was in the chair, and speeches were made by several oi the ringers, wishing Scrgt. Cartiwright long life ard success.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.

On Saturday last the first official meeting of the Guild to be held at the tower, was held at Yardley, in beautiful weather. The church is situated in a very pretty spot, some five miles from the centre of Birmingham, which, although now within the city boundary, still retains a very rural aspect. It is a rather small, but very ancient building, and has a fine tower containing a ring of six bells, with a tenor about 13 cwt . The tower carries an exceedingly well proportioned and lofty spire, which is a prominent landmark for many miles around.
The bells were set going early in the afternoon, some very good touches in various methods being accomplished before the members adjourned to the Talbot Hotel for tea. After tea, members to the number of eight or nine indulged in the royal and ancient game of bowls, boing watched and alternately applauded or laughed at by the other members sitting round.
The subsequent business meeting was presided over by the vice-president (Mr. W. F. Godden). After the routine business had been disposed of. Mr. Painter thanked the members for their practical sympathy with him in his recent long illness, and said that he hoped soon to be coming amongst them again as of old.-Three new members were elected, and Handsworth was decided upon as the place of the next, meeting. -The tower was again visited, and touches in the standard methods, Cambridge and Double Court were successfully brought round.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting of the Central Division of the Sussex Association was held at Balcombe, on Saturday, and was very well attended, between thirty and forty being present, including Mr. and Mrs. Whittington, of Cranleigh, Surrey. The bells were kept going in various methods during the afternoon, and a short service, led by the choir, was held in the church, a helpful address being given by the Rector. Tea followed in the Assembly Room, and the business meeting was afterwards held, the Rector (the Rev. D. L. Secretan) presiding.Several new members were elected, including tha Rector as an hon. member of the Association.-A vote of thanks was accorded to the
Chairman for his kindness in welcoming the Association to Balcombe, and providing such an excellent tea for them. In reply, the Rector said
was very pleased to do what he had done on behalf of the Association, and hoped they would come again in the near future. The tower was again visited, and the bells kept going till close on nine o'clock.

## WOLVERHAMPTON RINGERS' HOLIDAY EXPERIENCES.

Our American friends occasionally send us a few of Artimus Ward's xaggerations. After relating a fishing experience of mine, my bell ringing colleagues will think that I have been spending my holidays there, but nothing of the kind. I have seen and heard some very remarkable things while staying at the Isle of Man-piscatorial bell ringing, the curvature of the earth, and some good sermons. While on Dourlas Head one evening watching "patience on one end and a worm just told me of some remarkable happenings, and the size of herring shorks they catch when deep sea fishing, when I was starfled by the ringing of a bell. The angler had a "bite," which so awakened my
curiosity that I was led to examine tis " Delfry." This was a short rod, curiosity that I was led to examine the " Delfry." This was u short rod,
well 60 attached at the end trat when a tish got hold of the bait the bell would ring. It was not well ringing to call worshippers to evensong, but a piscatorial bell accepting the challenge of an offerIt was not the divine invitation, "Come to Me all ye who are heary laden," but take me if you are not heavy laden. I questioned this old angler on judging the distance of a sinp, the masts of which could be just seen on the horizon which was one of the proofs that this earth is a globe. My angling acquaintance was content that he was standing on the flat part, and satisfied that the waters are horizontal and his bell a good fisherman's float. Anyone going to Douglas in the season should not fail to attend open-air service at Kirk Braddon on a Sunday morning to hear the Bishop of Sodor and Man preach to some 20 to 30 thousand people. He has a magic charm of voice, his deivery is distinat and impressive, he captivates his hearers, and appeals to their conscience. He needs no bell to call his flock together. They
flock to him. "His looks adorned the venerable place; truth from flock to him. "Flis looks adorned the venerable place; truth from
his lips prevails with double sway, and fools who came to scoff remained to pray.'"

## THE OXFORD GUILD.

Combined practices were held at Stoke Poges on August 16th, and $t$ Chalfont St. Peter, on August 20th, when the following methods were rung: Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Oxford Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, and Double Oxford.

## L. BULLOCK'S 100 PEALS.

Minor in one method, 4 (conducted 4); in two methods, 1 (1); in three methods, 1 (1); in seven methods, 2; Grandsire Triples, 28 (13); on handbells, 4 : Stedman Triples, 31 (1); Bob Major, 3 (2); Duffield Major, Double Norwich, 7 (1); Superlative Surprise, 7; Cambridge Surprise, New Cumberland Surprise, 1 : London Surprise, 3 ; Grandsire Caters, 4; Stedman Caters, $I_{\text {; }}$ total, 100 (conducted 23)

BRISTOL RINGERS VISIT CHANNEL ISLANDS

## THE FIRST 720 OF MINOR IN GUERNSEY.

The St. Nicholas Guild, Bristol, are nothing if not original in the way they spend their annual holiday. This year it was arranged to visit the Channel Islands, the journey from Southampton being accompanied on the South-western steamer "Lydia," Guernsey being reached on Saturday morning about 8 o'clock, after a farly good passage with about $1 \frac{1}{2}$ hours of boisterous weather thrown in, making many of the passengers, who were not good sailors, begin to "feed the fishes." Fortunately the Bristol party proved to be made of the right material for boat trips, as not one felt any ill-effects from the rolling of the boat, and every man reached Guernsey and his lodgings fit to eat his hat if need bc. It may be well to mention that it does not require sea trips to sharpen the appetites of Bristol ringers, and the writer will not soon florget what vanished from sight when a crab supper was put on the table. Does the cap fit?
One of the pleasures anticipated during the outing (permission having being granted) was to attempt a peal of Stedman Triples at the town church (St. Peter Port), the bells of which had quite recently been re-dedicated, after being recast by a French firm. The bell hanger, however, had but a scanty idea of hanging bells for change ringing, as it was soon found that to attempt a peal was out of the question, for the bells were rehung with the old stocks, etc., the chief aim being to favour the best way to fix the chiming apparatus for chiming. This meant that " sliders " and other important acessories were ignored. This soon became apparent when the bells were being raised, and it was with great difficulty they were rung round. This damped the spirits of those whose thoughts were of attempting to ring a peal in Guernsey. An inspection of the frame, etc., soon convinced the visitors that it would be a difficult matter to ring decently, and it was then the handy men of the party, whose eagle eyes discovered that the grease pot, some string, and some labour and patience, would improve matters a little. It was, however, decided to start for a quarter-peal of Stedman, but this came to grief after ringing nine courses, the tenor man not being able to keep the bell up. The inside men were also gradually wasting from the honest sweat which dropped from their manly brows, and had had quite enough for one day. However, not to be denied the pleasure of being able to record the firsti quarter-peal on the bells, it was arranged to meet to ring for the evenlag service on the Sunday with two men on the tenor, but again failure has to be told, for, once more, when nine courses had been rung a general collapse occurred. A course of Major and some Grandsire Triples were brought round after some difficulty. An English bell hanger would do much good in the tower

There is a very nice ring of six bells at the Vale Church, some two to three miles out, which were rehung by Warner and Sous some few years ago, and a 720 Kent Treble Bob was rung on them before morning service, to the consternation of the local ringers. These men had stands in the centre of the belfry with cards showing, in figures, the bells to take, and they could not understand how it was done without anything to guide the ringers. The 720 was rung by: $G$. Wiltshire $1, \mathrm{~F}$. G. May (conductor) 2, F. K. Howell 3, F.. W. Wade 4, H. T. Howell 5, I. Long 6. This was the first 720 ever rung in Guernsey

On the Monday a visit was paid to Sark-very interesting to archaologists, but not to beliringers, and some of the stalwarts were leg weary and tired, by scaling the heights and having to tramp practically all over the island, before returning to Guernsey. Nevertheless, the day was an enjoyable one. Tuesday saw the first break up of the parts, three having to return to their duties in Bristol. Others went on to sample sunny Jersey, and spend several enjoyable days visiting notahle places of interest, etc., the last of the company returning to Bristol late on the Saturday. The following members made the visit: H. T. Howell, F. K. Howell, J. Richmond, I. Long, W. Bevan, F. W. Wade, G. Wiltshire, C. Scull and F. G. May. Regret was expressed that all the members of the Guild could not avail themselves of so unique an outing which has been acclaimed as being absolutely the best ever arranged by and for the Guild, although a few years ago Paris was visited, but it did not meet with the same amount of approval. There is a hint dropped that a trip to Canada would make a proval. outing for 1914 . Will all interested kindly note and send names early to avoid disappointment?

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday last the members of the Manchester branch of the Lancashire Association met at Morsley. Manchester, Pendleton, Walkden, Hyde, New Mills, Newchurch, Bolton, Oldham, etc., were represented. Mr. Joseph Radyard presided at the meting, and gave a hearty welcome on bohalf of the ringers of Worsley. He expressed regret at the inability of the Vicar to be present. owing to a serious illness.-A further discussion on the suggested holding of monthly practices in Manchester, which is the centre of the branch, took place, and it was decided to bring the matter un for decision at the annual branch meeting to be held at the Cathedral.
Mr. Jas. Barratt, of Eccles, was nominated for vice-president of the Association; Mr. J H. Banks (Helmshore) as ringing secretary: Mr. S. Greenhalgh (Pendleton) and Mr. J. Potter (Walkden), as auditors.-A vote of thanks was accordnd to the Vicar, wardens and ringers, for having everything in readinoss.-Tunches of Treble Bob, Siedman, Grandsire and Double Norwich were rung during the day,

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Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birming-
ham on May 11th, 1912.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association, June 1st.
Stedman Cinques by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17th.
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# BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS.DURHAM. 

By J. R. Jerram.

The early history of the bells of Durham Cathedral, from an old history of the Cathedral, is as follows: "In the west end of the church, and of the north alley over the Galiley door, is a belfry called the Galiley steeple, wherein did hang four great bells, which were never rang but at principal feasts, or at such times as the bishop came to town. Every Sunday in the year a sermon was preached in the Galiley from one in the afternoon to three, previous to which at twelve the great bell of the Galiley tolled three quarters of an bour, and rung the fourth quarter till one of the clock, that the people of the town might have warning to come and hear the word of God preached.
"There were certain officers of the said house who were

The bell that remained in the Galilee tower was used as a sanctuary bell. Its use is thus described in a old account: "In the old time before the house was supprest, the Abbey Church, the church-yard, and all the circuit thereof, was a sanctuary for all manner of men that committed any great offence, as killing a man in his own defence. Certain men did lye in two chambers, over the north door, for the purpose that when any such offender, did come and knock they were instantly let in at any hour of the night, and did run quickly to the Galiley bell and toll'd it, that whosoever heard it might know that some had taken sanctuary."

In 1693 the bells were cast into a peal of eight by Christopher Hodson, a London bell-founder. Three of them have since been recast, and the peal now bears the following inscriptions:

## Treble.

Wm. DIGBY, L.L.D. DEAN OF DURHAM I78o (cherub's head) PACK \& CHAPMAN OF LONDON FECERUNT.


Durham Cathedral.
always cbarged, whenever the said bells were tolled, to be in readiness to ring them: viz., two men of the kitchen were charged with ringing one bell; and four men of the church, who did lye always in the church, were charged with the third bell; and five others were to ring the great bell, viz., two of the bakehouse; two of the brewhouse; and two of the kiln. [Query: how do three two's make five ?] In the latter days of King Henry VIII the house was suppressed; and after that time the bells were never rung.
"In Queen Elzabeth's reign, Dean Whittingham perceiving them not to be occupied nor rung a great while before his time, was purposed to have them taken down and broken them for other uses. When Thomas Spark, the bishop's suffragan, residing at Durham, and keeping home at the same time, did send into Yorkshire for a workman, and caused three of the said bells to be taken down, hung up in the new work called the Lanthorne, and made a goodly chime be set on the saide bells, which cost him in charges thirty or forty pound, which chime endureth to this day; otherwise the said bells had been spoiled and defaced."

## Second.

OLIM • CAMPANA S S MARGARETAE o o o DEC. ET•CAP•DVNELM •REFEC•A•D•MDCXCIII $\square$ Third. CHAPMAN OF LONDON FECIT if8i. Wм. DIGBY, L.L.D. DEAN OF DURHAM.

Fourth.
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OLIM o CAMPANA o S OOO MICHAELIS ooo DECANVS o ET O CAP o REFECERVNT O A OD - MDCXCIII $\square$

Sixth.
OLIM o CAMPANA o BONI o BEDAE o CHRISTOPHER o HODSON o o o I o H oo DEC o ET o CAP o DVNELM o REFEC oA.D. MDCXCIII o o o V

OLIM • CAMP $\cdot \mathrm{S} \cdot \begin{aligned} & \text { Seventh. } \\ & \text { OSWALDI }\end{aligned}$ QVAM $\cdot \mathrm{FIERI}$ FECIT • R • DE • DVNELM • DEC • ET • CAP DVNELM • REFECERVNT • A • D • MDCXCIII CHR • HODSON • ARTIFICE $\square$

## Tenor.

CAMP $\cdot \mathrm{S} \cdot \mathrm{CVTHBERTI} \cdot \mathrm{OLIM} \cdot \mathrm{GALALEA} \cdot \mathrm{DEC}$ ET • CAP • DVNELM • REFECERVNT • A • D MDCXCIII OOOT•COMBER•S•T•P•DEC•S EYRE • S •T•P•THESAVR • CHR • HODSON ARTIFICE ooo $\square$
The arms on the second, fifth, sixth, seventh and tenor are those of the See of Durham, a cross bottone between four lions rampant.

I am much indebted to Canon Fowler for having obtained the inscriptions corrected up to date, and also for casts of the arms, and the ornament on the treble bell.

## ODD CHANGES.

The parish church of Sheffield, which, as most ringers know, contains a fine peal of twelve bells, is to be the cathedral of the new diocese, which is to be carved out of the See of York. St. James's, Bury St. Edmunds, has been decided upon as the cathedral for the new diocese to cover the county of Suffolk, and relieve the burden now attaching to the vast See of Norwich. At St. James's Church there is a peal of ten, and, as at Sheffield, there is a very active band of ringers.

Sheffield and Chelmsford will share with five other cathedrals the honour of possessing the highest number of bells, the other cathedral peals of twelve being St . Paul's and Southwark in the metropolis, York, Worcester and Christ Church, Oxford. The last-named, it is worth noting, has its bells in an unconsecrated tower.

The records of ringers' outings this year have been numerous in our columns, but it looks as if trips "overseas" are now to be included among these enjoyable summer annuals. Last week we gave the story of the Newcastle Guild's journey to Ireland; this week we have the narrative of a Bristol outing to the Channel Islands. It would not surprise us if, some of these days, a tour to the United States was announced.

Mr. John F. Bird, hon. secretary of the All Saints', Gosforth, company, in honour of whose wedding a peal was rung on Wednesday week, has been a member of the Gosforth company since its formation in 1901, and the representative peal band and the willingness of so many ringers to take part in short touches immediately after the wedding ceremony, bears testimony to the high esteem in which he is held.

The Cambridge University Guild meet for their annual week of ringing on September ist. They will make Pulford (on the border of Cheshire and North Wales) their headquarters; and they hope to ring at towers in Chester, Llangollen, Wrexham, Beltrington, Bachford, Eccleston, Frodsham, Gresford and Pulford.

We record this week the first peal of Cambridge Surprise Major in Bedfordshire, and by the Beds Association. Congratulations to the band. We hear that the peal was splendidly struck from start to finish.

## WASHBROOK'S SURPRISE PRINCIPLE.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-With your kind permission, I should like to have a word concerning the above. I had the pleasure of hearing a wellstruck touch of the method at the Oxford Guild meeting at Wokingham, rung by the band (I believe) who rang the peal at Caversham, and-I was much struck with the music the method produced. I must say I was surprised when I read the crushing verdict of the Legitimate Methods Committee. I certainly do not agree with them in that verdict. The fact that there is a want of symmetry in the method, is not sufficient (to my mind) to condemn it as illegitimate, neither does it prove that it is not a principle. I greatly respect the opinion of these gentlemen; at the same time I regret that I cannot agree with them in condemning a method with such splendid musical qualities. Yours, etc.,
Farnham Royal.
J. J. PARKER.

## To the Elitor.

Dear Sir,-Mr. Washbrook is wrong in suggesting that the laws of method construction are a new fangled notion. They are as old as change ringing itself, and listory proves that only those that are perfectly legitimate will survive. I am quite willing to admit that "not one ringer in a thousand will ever understand or care about" such things, but the question is one of facts, not of opinions; and sometimes, when I feel unduly conceited, I think that we, who for nearly twenty years have been closely studying this matter, know almost as much about it as the peopis who never give it a thought. Only the latter don't think so.-Yours truly, J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

## THE SUGGESTED APPEAL TO MR. CARNEGIE.

 To the Editor.Sir,-I am afrad I cannot agree with Mr. Murray's letter on this subject. It would seem that he looks upon it purely as a matter of
cadging," more or less because Mr. Carnegie is rich, and that others (who ought) do not want to do anything. But this is not so. Mr. Carnegie has invested a vast sum of moncy, the interest of which (speaking from memory, I believe is about $£ 150,000$ a year) is to be given to libraries, church organs and other objects that his trustees deem or think necessary. The point, therefore, is, would he, or his trustees, be likely to consider belle if an appeal was made. We know that he usually likes to give (and very willingly, too) to things that are either musical or educational. Cannot we in a sense claim both? Then, why not try?

Mr. Murray's reference to a church and its congregation as an instance of Irish grit, is very interesting. Exactly the same sort of thing is happening at the present time in our own parish, but in our case, for new schools. The present schools having been condemned, the church is having to raise a sum well over four figures to save the schools from being closed, and this idea of help is being carried out. Our church is continually having to raise money for one thing or another. It never seems to have a rest. At the same time we should so like to see our ring of bells increased from 6 to 8, but how can we expect it when things of vital importance must come beforehand? How many years should we have to wait before appealing to outsiders? I am afraid a lifetime
There is another point in Mr. Murray's letter I would like to refer to. I don't think Mr. Carnegie ever gives the full amount required, at any rate with regard to organs, but he offers, perhaps, half, and the parish must raise the other half. And quite right, too. The same kind of thing might happen with bells. If you could but get a promise of part. there is the great encouragement at once to make a special effort to raise the balance. We cannot afford to be too independent. However, an appeal for bells might have no effect whatever. It is a suggestion that might be discussed with interest, and may possibly lead to some interesting results.-Yours faithfully,
Desborough.
FREDK. KILBORN.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-I should think a good plan would be for the Central CounciI to issue to secretaries of the various societies a formal appeal for the signatures of as many ringers as possible, then send the whole to Mr. Carnegie. I do not wish to throw cold water on the idea, but I have written to Mr. Carnegie myself for a contribution to the "Shoreditch Bells Fund "no less than four times, and got no reply for my pains. Mr. Carnegie, of course, is very musical, and will give to organs and libraries. but personally I do not think he is in sympathy with bells. Again, I believe he is a Nonconformist.- Yours faithfully,
H. J. BRADIEY.

## To the Widitor

Sir,—Should we appeal to Mr. Carnegie? I say "No." Might I suggest an appeal should be made to all ringers throughout the country to give what they can afford once a quarter, and so build up a fund, the interest only to be withdrawn. As years go on so tho fund would increase. You must still appeal for help to restore any bells that may require it.-Yours truly,

Greenwich, S.E.
W. FOREMAN.


York Minster.

## MESSRS. JOHN WARNER \& SONS, Ltd., of the

 Spitalfields Foundry, London, have been entrusted with the following rings of 12 bells:YORK MINSTER (Tenor $50 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.)
ST. LEONARD'S CHURCH, SHOREDITCH (Tenor $28^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{cwt}$. ) CHELMSFORD CATHEDRAL (Tenor 32 cwt.)

## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

A GLOUCESTERSHIRE TRIP.
Delightful weather favoured the St. Stephen's, Bristol, Guild for their annual outing on Bank Holiday, when they visited Cheltenham, where they were met by Mr. W. T. Pates, who conducted them to the Parish Church. Touches of Stedman Cinques were rung, and then the party went on by motor char-a-bane to Painswick and Stroud, through the beautiful Cranham Woods, a drive which was enjoyed by all. At Painswick the only disappointment of the day awaited the ringers, for a messenger was waiting at the church to say that owing to illness near by it was impossible to ring. This was a great disappointment, as several of the party had nevel heard this famous ring of twelve, and the prospect of a touch of Cinques or Maximus had been looked forward to as the tit-bit of the outing. However, this was not allowed to interfere with the enjoyment of a substantial dinner provided by Host Goddard, of the Falcon, and, after this, games of bowls were indulged in, with touches on the handbells in between. The journey was resumed to Stroud, where Cambridge Royal was rung on this justly praised peal of ten. A return was then made to Cheltenham, where the party was joined by the Gloucester ringers, who were returning from Evesham, and through the kindness of Mr. Pates, a. second visit was made to the chirch, and touches of Stedman Cinques were rung. Bristol was eventually reached, after one of the most enjoyable days it is possible to imagine. The thanks of all are due to Mr. Pates for his kindness in obtaining the Cheltenham bells, for giving up the day's holiday for the benefit of the Guild, and for the pleasure of his genial company. Thanks are also due to the Vicars of Cheltenham and Stroud for the use of their bells.

## A SUSSEX TRIP

On Wednesday, August 13th, the Ditchling branch of the Sussex Association visited Hastings, at the invitation of their Vicar (Rev. F. C. Norton) for their anmual outing, and the band greatly appreciated his kindness. Hastings was reacned about $10.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$., and after a look round, the party went to Ohrist Church, Blacklands, where they were met and welcomed by the leader, and the bells, a splendid peal of eight, set going to touches of Triples, Minor and Doubles. After a pleasant hour's ringing the party ascended to the top of the tower, whence a lovely view of Hastings was much enjoyed. After an excellent dinner, St. Clement's Church was visited. The leader of the band heartily welcomed the party. Several touches of Bob Minor and Doubles were brought round, all the band having their first pull on the well known steel bells, which were subsequently inspected with interest. The view from the top of this tower was spoilt by rain. The old town, with its narrow streets and passages and antique houses, was inspected, and All Saints', with its nice peal of six, was then reached. This item was not on the programme, but finding the captain, who took them round to therectory, the party were readily granted permission by the Rector to ring the bells. Several gwod touches of Bob Minor, Oxford, Single Bob and Grandsire Doubles were brought round, and this concluded the ringing for the day. After tea, the pier, with its many attractions, was visited, and the time whiled away until "s home," was called, after a successful day. Hassocks was reached about 10 o'clock, the outing having been thoroughly enjoyed. The band extend their hearty thanks to all for the welcome received at every tower, and take this opportunity of thanking the clergy for giving permission for the use of the bells.

## NORTH STONDHAM, HANTS

The members of St. Nicholas' Society, North Stoneham, Fants, held their outing on Bank Holiday, and visited Bournemouth and Swanage. At Bournemouth, the party were met by Mr. and Mrs. G. Williams, who were spending the week-end with Mr. Goodenough, who was guide for the day. Swanage was reached by boat, and after dinner the party dispersed, some to the caves and others to enjoy a ramble round the town, returning to Bournemouth by sea. Tea was then served, after which tracks were made to St. Peter's Church, where two courses of Grandsire Triples were rung, the Rector ringing the 6th; and 250 Stedman. A course each of Plain Bob, Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major was tapped off, Mr. A. R. Macdonald taking a rope in Stedman and Double Norwich. The best thanks of the party are due to the Vicar of St. Peter's, and Mr. C. Goodenough for their kindness, and others who welcomed the visitors in the tower.

## A BLACKPOOL EXGURSION

The annual outing of the Emmanuel Guild, Clifton, Bristol, was spent at Blackpool. The party, numbering nine, left Bristol on Friday night at 10.30, and arrived at their destination on Saturday morning at 7 o'clock. Breakfast was heartily appreciated, and a quiet game of billiards was enjoyed, some marvellous breaks (by amateurs only) being recorded. The tower was next visited, and some of the members reached the top, and obtained a splendid view of the surrounding district. The party then took a tram ride to the south shore, where all the attraclions were greatly enjoyed. Subsequently they made their way to St. John's Church, where they were met by Mr. Crookall, a local member. Two short tomches of Grandsire were brought round by: S. Popham, T. Crookall, C. Rawlings, G. Tudball, T. Holman, E. Guise, W. Rawlings, H. Parkins, D. Gillard, and H. Powell. This was the only ringing for the day. The winter gardens were visited
in the evening, the ballroom especially appealing to some of the members, where delightful music and dancing were enjoyed till 9 p.m., the train being due to depart at 9.30 . It was, however, not until 12.30 that it finally departed, and the excursionists arrived in Bristol at 10.30 on Sunday morning, having sat in the train for 13 hours!

The Guild wishes to take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Crookall for making arrangements, Canon Jeffrey for use of bells, and Саnon Hemmings and his churchwardens for again giving the members the opportunity of spending a glorious day by the seaside.

## HODDESDON SOGIETY.

Southend was again chosen for the annual outing of the Hoddesdon Society on Saturday last, the ringers and their friends numbering 19. Dinner was partaken of at the Granville Hotel, and in the afternoon a visit was paid to Leigh Church, which qoutains a handy peal of siz (tenor 12 cwt.). Touches of Bob Minor and Grandsire Doubles were rung, conducted by J. Cavill and C. Puplett. Subsequently the ringers dispersed to enjoy themselves according to their own inclination. The thanks of the society are due to Mr. Knight for making all arrangements, and to the Vicar of Leigh for his kind permission to ring.

## MAIDSTONE RINGFRS AT STAPLEHURST.

The members of All Shaints', Mailstone, company, paid a visit to Staplehurst for their sixth annual outing, the journey being through the beautiful Medway Valley. Wateringlury, Brambridges, Paddock Wood and Marden were visited on the way out, Staplehurst being reached about 6 p.m.-After tea, at the Bell Hotel, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar and the churchwardens for providing the outing, and to Mr. A. E. Gasson, for so ably carrying out the arrangements. A visit was paid to Staplehurst belfry, where touches of Stedman, Grandsire, Treble Bob and Bob Major were rung. The homeward journey was started upon. at nine o'elock, Maidstone being reached about 10.30 . The outing will undoubtedly rank among the most delightful ever held by the members, one and all thoroughly enjoying themselves.

## WHAT IS "SOUTING?"

To the Editor.
Sir,-I have been asked to explain a use of church bells called "Souting," of which I never heard. My correspondent understands that it was "the tolling of the bells on All Saints' (? All Souls') Day by or on behalf of noor people asking for cakes." If any member of the Exercise has heard of or knows any instance of this custom being observed, or when it was discontinued. I should be glad to receive information.

Acrise, Hall Place Gardens,
St. Albans.

## FALSE TOUCH.

SHIPWAY ERROR DISCOVERED AFTER NEARLY 100 YEARS. To the Editor.
Sir,-Will you allow me to call attention to a false touch in Snowdon's "Grandsire," namely, Shipway's 1064 of Triples, on page 57. This runs true only as far as the half-way single. it is the old, old class of error only to be avoided by comparing both the hand and back stroke lead of the single with the previous handstrokes. Shipway published this touch in his book in 1816, and this is, I believe, the first time its falseness has been pointed out. My thanks are due to Mr. G. H. Cooke, of Metheringham, Lincs, for drawing attention to the matter.-Yours, etc.,

WM. SNOWDON.

## GEORGE E. SYMONDS' 100 PEALS.

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Double Norwich Court Bob Major
Kent Treble Bob Royal ..
Kent Treble Bob Major
Oxford Treble Bob Major
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Stedman Triples
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G. E. Symonds conducted his first tower and handbell peals of Bob Major and Grandsire Caters : his first of Double Norwich on tower bells and his second peals of Bob Royal and Grandsire and Stedman Triples.

## NOTICES.

The charge for notices under this heading is at the rate of 2d. per line (averaga ning woris), with a minimum of 1 s . Three insertions at double the charge for single insertion (minimum 2s.).

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.--The next quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Womborne, Staffordshire, on Saturday, August 3oth. Bells available at $3 \cdot 30$. Service in church at 5 o'clock, to be conducted by the Rev. E. P. Nicholas (Vicar). Business meeting afterwards.-Herbert Sheppard, Honorary Scretary, 66, Himley Road, Dudley.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North Wes'tern Division.-A district meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Harlow, on Saturday, August 3oth, 19r3. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea and business meeting at the Parish Institute at 5 p.m.-William Watts, District Secretary, Mont House Cottage, Stansted, Essex.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICT ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Evesham on Saturday, August 3oth. Service in All Saints' Church at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting in the Parish Hall after service. The bells (ro) will be avail-able.-N.B.-All members are requested to try and attend service.-J. Hemming, Branch Secretary, ro, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The annual meeting will be held at Hoghton on Saturday, August 30 th. Bells ready at 3 . Meeting at 5.30. A good attendance is requested.-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-dale.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District.-A meeting will be held at Barton-le-Cloy on Saturday, August 3oth, 1913. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-A. King, Hon. Secretary, 6, Tavistock Crescent, Luton.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton-on-Trent District.-A meeting will be held at Neatherseale, on Saturday, August 3oth. Bells ready at 3.30.-Harry Wakley, 160, Horninglow Road N., Burton-on-Trent.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -Established 1637. - Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on September 2nd, 16th and 3oth; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the IIth and 25 th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 2nd and 3oth; Southwark Cathedral on the 9th; St. Paul's Cathedral on the 16th; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays; St. Magnus, 7.30 ; the others, 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32 Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Sunbury, on Saturday, September 6th. Bells available from 40 'clock. Tea, by kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. P. C. West). -H. C. Chandler, Hon. Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at Shrewsbury on Saturday, September 6th, x9I3. Ringing at St. Mary's at 3 p.m.; also at St. Michael's and, if possible, at St. Chad's, St. Julian's and St. Alkmund's during the afternoon. Service at St. Chad's Church 5 p.m.; preacher, Rev. E. V. Cox. Tea at St. Chad's Room 5.45 p.m. Business meeting after tea. -Rev. H. B. Beckwith, Hon. Secretary, Ridgemount, Shrewsbury.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South Western Division.The annual meeting will be held at Romford on Saturday, September 6th. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Short service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and business meeting in the Parish Hall. Members will oblige by notifying me by Wednesday, September 3rd, their intention of attending the meeting. Several 1913 subscriptions have not yet been received, and members will oblige by send. ing same to H. Rumens, Hon. District Secretary, 32, Verulam Avenue, Walthamstow.

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.-The half-yearly meeting will take place at Portmadoc, on September 6th. Meeting in the Church Room at 3.15 p.m. Tea after meeting. Those intending to be present kindly inform Mr. J. McMillan, I5, High Street, Portmadoc, not later than September ist.-H. Moore, Junr., Wrexham, Hon. Sec.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.-I he next meeting of this society will be held at Worksop on Saturday, September 6th. Priory Church of St. Cuthbert ( 8 bells, tenor 12 cwt.) available 2.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. The Priory handbells, 60 in number, will also be at the disposal of members.-J. E. L. Cockey, Hon. Secretary, 38, Rutland Park, Sheffield.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-.The Annual Meeting of the above will be held at Dalton-in-Furness, on Saturday, September 6th, I913. Bells (8) available all day. Meeting at 4 p.m. -Wm. Robinson, Branch Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Oldham, on Saturday, September 13 th. Bells ready at 3; business meeting at 6.30. Election of Branch President and Secretary will take place at this meeting. All nominations for same to be sent in as early as possible to the Secretary, Joseph Ogden.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District.-The annual meeting of the above will be held at New Romney on Saturday, September 13th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Special service at 5 o'clock. Tea at 5.30 , to be followed by a general business meeting for the election of officers, etc., for the ensuing year. The tea will be provided by the Association (free) to all those who signify to me their intention of being present not later than Tuesday, September 9th.-C. Tribe, Hon. District Secretary, British School Villas, Tenterden.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Eling on Saturday, September 13th. Bells from 2.30. Tea at 5 p.m.-James W. Elkins, District Secretary, 20, Culver Road, Winchester.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.-The next meeting will be held at Edgware, on Saturday, September 13 th. Bells available frrom 3.30. Further particulars next week. Several subscriptions for IgI3 are not yet to hand, and I should be glad to receive same as soon as possible.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Olney, on: Saturday, September $3^{\text {th }}$ next. Service at 3 p.m.-Thos. Best, Bletchley.

PORTISHEAD.-The practice night at Portishead is changed from Wednesday to Tuesday.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. William J. Kemp has removed to 46, Narford Road, Upper Clapton, N.E.

PEAL BOOKS.-Price 3s. 6d., post free, 300 pages. The first peal written in (with weather-proof ink) free of charge, if particulars of same are enclosed with order.J. Beams, Fir Tree Road, Banstead, Epsom, Surrey.

## HOLIDAY APARTMENTS.

Having frequently had inquiries from ringers for information as to other members of the Exercise who have holiday apartments to let, we offer the use of our columns to those who cater for visitors at seaside and other resorts. Terms for insertion will be sent on application.

VISITORS TO BLACKPOOL will find every convenience at Mrs. E. Howarth's, I4, May Bell Avenue, Springfield Road, Blackpool, N.S.

BLACKPOOL.--Ringers visiting this seaside resort will find every comfort and convenience at Mrs. J. Smith's, 41, Hornby Road, Blackpool. Near sea and Central Station. Send stamp for reply.

VISITORS TO BRISTOL will find every convenience and moderate charges at Mr. Ponton's, Admiral Duncan, Nicholas Street, Bristol. Headquarters of the Bristol Ringers.

## SITUATION WANTED.

SITUATION WANTED.-As Gardener, handyman; understands cows and poultry; married, age 40; one boy aged I4; $8 \frac{1}{2}$ years' good character; Churchman; change ringer on 6 and 8 belis; please state wages and if cottage provided.-Apply E. Tigwell, Church School House, Biddulph, near Congleton, Staffs.

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| Twice | repeated. |  |  |}

This composition contains 4th, 5th and 6th bells, the full extent in 5-6, and exclusively in 6th's place at course ends, the 2 nd and 3 rd being never there. Alternato calling can be used in the second course of either one, of any two, or of all three parts, when the changes will be atigmented to 5120,5152 or 5184 respectively, as required by conductor. This is thought to be the first peal with its qualities.

| 5056 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 23456 | M | B | W | H |
| 32654 | 2 |  |  | 2 |
| 56234 |  |  | 2 | 2 |
| 64235 | 2 | - | 1 | 2 |
| 24365 |  |  | 2 | 1 |
| 46325 | 1 | - |  |  |
| 23645 | 1 | - |  | 2 |
| $* 63425$ | 1 | - |  | 1 |
| 32465 | 1 | - |  |  |
| Repeated. |  |  |  |  |

This composition contains the 4 th, 5 th and 6 th bells, the full extent in $5-6$, and exclusively in 6th's place at course ends, 2 and 3 being never there. Alternate calling can be used at courso in either one or both parts, and several other variations are obtainable in this poal. It is the first in the method published in two equal parts with these qualities.

[^55] 4, J. A. Brown (conductor) 5, J. Adams 6, E. Horten 7, A. E. Reed 8.

## LORD GRIMTHORPE'S FRAMES.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-If any of your readers know of any bell frames designed by the late Lord Grimthorpe, I should be very glad to receive particulars of such frames, with a rough diagram showing the arrangement of the bell pits and the side on which the ropes fail. Lord Grimthorpe wrote in his treatise on clocks, watches and bells (5th edition, 1868, p. 413): "I say the bells ought all to swing ono way, becauso then they may reaily counteract each other's force. The bell founders' men inveterately believe that forces at right angles counteract each other; and nothing but positive orders will induce them to make a parallel beli frame." It is quite true they may counteract each other's force in a parallel frame. But it is much more likely that the forces will bo added together unless the whoels are all roped on the same side. In any case the resultant of two forces acting at right angles equals the square root of the sum of the squares of the forces, which is considerably less than the sum of the forces.-Yours, etc.,
Simonsdelf, Frodsham.
EDWIN H. LEETYIS.

## LATE PEALS.

SHOREHAM, SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Argust 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF ETEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGEE;
Thurstans' Four-Part.


## SOUTHOVER, LEWES,

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, August 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF Stedman caters, 5079 chances;


## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, August 21, 1913, in Thre Hours and Tartve Minutcs, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; William Steed... Albert Harman

John T. Rickman

| ... | ..$T r e b l e$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 |$|$ Arthur White Oliver Sippetts Arthur W. Gravett JOHN CAPP.. Keith Hart ... ... ... 7

Composed by H. Dains, and Conducted by Keith Hart.

After a lapse of many years, the bells of St. George's, Jesmond, Newcastle, were rung open for the practice of change ringing last week. Although the "open" ringing was of very short duration, the fact that a practio took place is a most gratifying result of the indefatigable efforts of Professor Potter to promote change ringing in this tower, where hitherto "stoney" has obtained. "Wo are pleased he has convinced the authorities of the claims of change ringing, and wish St. George's ringers every success.

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## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

CARHAMPTON, SOMERSTIT-On June 8th, for Evening Service, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor in 45 mins.: W. Manning 1, J. Watts 2, E. Parker 3, J. Sully 4, W. Bennett (conductor) 5, J. Farmer 6.
BRECON.-On June 15th, for Evening Service, 630 Grandsire 'Triples: E. I. Jones 1. W. Hargest $\bar{Z}$, C. Beech 3, S. Watkins 4, G. Giblin 5, W. Evans 6, G. Hardwick 7, J. P. Hyett 8.

LLANDEFILOG-FACFI-On June 15th, on the occasion of the induction of the Rev. Francis to the living, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles: W. Evans 1, C. Powell 2, E. 1R. Jones (conductor) 3, J. P. Hyett 4, W. Fletcher 5, O. Beech 6.
IKLLEX.-At the Parish Church on June 15th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1386 changes) in 50 minutes as a farewell to the Vicar, who was leaving the parish to take up duties under the Archbishop of York as diocesan chaplain; also as a birthday compliment to the conductor: R. R. Richmond 1, A. E. South 2, H. Verity 3, C. Stephenson 4, J. W. Birkin 5, J. R. Feather 6, T. W. Crawshaw (conductor) 7, C. E. Spencer 8.
GHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.-On Sunday, June 22nd, for evening service, it quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (from Holt's Original) in 42 mins.: C. Remnant 1, W. G. Brockhurst 2, G. Luff 3, T. W. Burdock 4, T. Attwell 5, J. Alford 6, A. J. Bartlett (conductor) 7, W. Simmonds 8. Rung as a farewell to Mr. Alford, who was leaving for Lincolnshire, much to the regret of the local ringers, by whom he was deservedly held in high esteem.
ROYSTON.-On June 20th, at the Parish Church, 720 London Surprise: W. B. Manning 1, E. Bonnett 2, L. G. Mallion 3, R. Wilkerson 4, S. E. Roberts 5, R. G. King (conductor) 6. L. G. Mallion hails from Fen Ditton, Cambs, and this was his first 720 of London Surprise.

SHIPSTON-ON-STOUR.-At St. Edmund's Church, on June 22nd, for Evening Service, 720 Bob Minor, as a farewell to E. E. RandaII, who was sailing to join Dr. Nicholl's party at Boston, U.S.A.: A. Faulkner 1, C. Bird 2, E. E. Randall 3, F. Bird 4, E. J. Cook 5, W. Large (conductor) 6.
ROTHWELL, NORTHANTS.-At the Parish Church, on Sunday, June 22nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins.: T. Wells 1, A. York 2, F. Kilborn 3, T. York 4, B. York 5, A. York 6, H. Peet (conductor) 7, H. W. Sharman 8. Rung on the anniversary of the Church Schools and also as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 6 th.

LONG EATON.-On June 22nd, at St. Lawrence's Church, a quarterpeal of Stedman Triples: *T. IIutchinson 1., J. Andrews 2, F. Price (conductor) 3, A. Hickton 4, N. Widdowson 5, *H. Green 6, J. Bailey 7, *A. Chamberlin 8. *First quarter.

BEDDINGTON', SURREX.-On June 22nd, at St. Mary's, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Caters (1259 changes) in 47 mins.: A. Boxall, junr., 1, A. J. Perkins 2, A. Boxall, senr., 3, J. Trappitt 4, B. Morris 5, A. J. Clayton (conductor) 6, C. Gordon 7, A. J. Plowman 8, T. King 9, N. Brassett 10.

GROYDON, SURREY.-Recently, on handbells, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples; A. Clarke 1-2, A. J. Perkins (conductor) 3-4, S. R. Roper 5-6, W. Rowe 7-8.
SOUTHIGATE.-At Christ Church, on June 22nd, for Evening Service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 48 mins.: J. E. Miller 1, J. Attwater 2, E. Attwater 3, W. C. Lee 4, I. J. Attwater 5, A. J. Trappitt 6, J. Armstrong 7, J. Lee 8.

FJNCHLEY.-On June 22nd, 720 Plain Bob Minor: B. Tubbb 1, W. Tubb 2, G. Webb 3, W. Webb 4, W. Childs 5, F. Barker (conductor) 6. METHERTNGMAM.-On June 24th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: J. W. Skins (first quarter-peal) 1, W. Green, 2, G. H. Cooke 3, F. Dawson (first on an inside bell) 4, H. Green 5, F. W. Stokes (conductor) 6, J. Dawson 7. J. Foster 8.

TIPTON. STAFFS.-Dn June 20th, at the Parish Church fnr Morning Service, Thur'stans' quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 40 mins . J. W. Jones 1, W. R. Small 2, S. Baker 3, A. Rowley 4, J. Suith 5, A. Greenfield 6, W. Fisher (conductor) 7, H. S. Smith 8.

SOUTHOVER, LeFWES.-On June 29th, for Evening Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 43 mins.: P. Hide 1, E. J. Pannett 2, U. Stephenson 3, F. S. Sturt 4, T. Gasson 5, G. H. Sturt 6, A. J. Turner (conductor) 7, G. Richardson 8 .

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The re-casting of the peal of ten belle with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St Pster's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried cut by you has proved most successful, and given seneral setisfaction

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the bost peals in the Kingdam. Yours faithfully, F T. BEGK,

Architect, Diocesan Surpeyor.

## MODERN <br> WORK.

## PEAL RINGING TOURS.

Speaking at the Central Council meeting at Newcastle on the subject of the attitude of the public towards church bell ringing, the Rev. H. J. Elsee, who is president of the Lancashire Association, advocated, among other things, the substitution of well-rung touches for peals, by those ringers who went on tours. This suggestion is recalled by the fact that during this week some well-known ringers-members of the Cambridge University Guild-are on a peal-ringing tour in Cheshire and North Wales, and another equally well-known band will next week be touring for a similar purpose in Devon and Cornwall. During the early part of August, also, there was an organised excursion in the neighbourhood of Leicester, with excellent results from the peal-ringing standpoint. These trips make extremely enjoyable holidays, especially for those who do not object to a Jittle strenuous exertion when away from their everyday vocation, and even if the principal object in view makes the ringers take that portion of their programme somewhat seriously, only those who have had experience know the real pleasures of such an excursion.

The question arises, however: Would such trips have anything like the same attraction for ringers if the peals were eliminated and exhibition touches substituted? There is something about the completion of a peal which cannot be felt in the accomplishment of any touch, and in regard to peals rung upon a tour it seems to us that there are advantages to be gained apart from the satisfaction which success gives to the ringers. So far as its relation to the subject introduced by Mr. Elsee is concerned, we think it has, perhaps, less bearing than any other of the arguments put forward for placating public opinion. In the first place, these tours usually take ringers to towers in the country districts where the bells are in no sense regarded as an annoyance, and very frequently to places where peals are exceedingly few and far between. From the point of view of an infliction on the public, therefore, these peals are the least source of complaint. To the Jocal bands at the towers visited they may be frequently of educational value, for they can demonstrate the excellence to which change ringing can be carried and illustrate the height of the ringer's ambition.

Well-struck touches would not be any more, even if they were not any less, effective from the educational point of view, and we can see nothing to be gained by dropping peals to give preference to touches. It is not ringing tours that need be seriously considered as a likely ground for affecting public opinion in regard to church bell ringing, and from the welcome generally accorded to those who undertake these trips, the visit of a band spending a holiday in this way usually affords a great deal of pleasure.

# CHARLES CARR, ${ }^{\text {III }}$ 

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## TEN BELL PEALS.

CHIRISTCHURCF, HANTS.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, August 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-flite Minutes, At the Priory Church,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;
Walter Merley ... ...Treble tFrank I. Halrs
Charles IV. Goodenoogh 2 William H. Grorge
A. F. Martin Stevart... 3 Villiam G. Fovler

Ebivin V. Hinton ... ... 4 George Preston
Eli Waters ... ... ... 5 Alfred Osman...
Conducted by George Preston.

* First peal of Caters. + First peal of Grandsire Caters on lower bells.

BRISTOL.
GLOUCESTER AND IBRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Monday, August 25, 19.13, in Three Hour's and Ten Minutes, At Christ Church (City),
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES; Tenor 20 cwt.
Fred G. May ... ... ...Treble Gilbert Wiltshire ... 6 Villiam Lansdown ... $\cdot . .3$ J. Howard R. Freeborn 3 .... $\$$
 Alfred E. Reeves ... ... 5 Uriah W. Braven... ...Tehor Composed and Conducted by Fred G. May.
Arranged for Mr. J. H. R. Freeborn.
LONDON
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUIJ.D.
On Thurstay, Angust 28, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-frie Minutes.
At the Church of St. Dunstan, Stepney,
A PEAL OF STEBAAN GATERS, 5017 CHANGES;
Tenor 3I cwt.
Isaac G. Shade... ... ...Treble |tGrorge A. Card ... ... 6 Charles T. Coles ... ... 2 Wilby J. Hizell ... ... 7 * Harold N. Pitstow ... 3 James E. Davis ... ... 8 Bertram Prewett ....... 4 | William Pie ... ... ... 9 Ferris J. Shepherd . ... 5 Alfred W. Grimes ...Teroy Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Charles T. Coles.

* First peal on ten bells. + First peal of Stedman Caters.


## LONDON

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sahuday, August 30, 1913, in Thre Hours and Tathty-firi Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret, Westminster,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor $26 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
John H. B. Hesse ... ...Treble William J. Nudds ... ... 6 Bertram Prewett ... ... 2 Reuben Sanders ... Isabc G. Shade... ... ... 3 James E. Davis Charles T. Coles ... ... 4 Aefred W. Grimes William Pye

Composed by William Pye, and Conducted by James E. Davis.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. Grimes, father of the ringer of the 9 th.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 30, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutis, At the Church of St. Alkmund,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES; Tenor 17 cwt.
*Frederick W. Stone ...Treble| Joseph Lord ... ... ...
 * John Haynes ... ... ... 4 Fred Hickling -William Poyser $\quad . .$. Composed and Conducted by Ernest Morris.

* First peal in the method; also first on ten bells. This peal contains the full extent of the $7-8-9-6$ 's and " home at hand " positions, and is now rung for the first time.

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.
TIIE MIDDIESEX COUNTV ASSOCIATION AND I.ONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 30, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS, 5021 CHANGES:

## Tenor 22 cwt



## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## LEWISHAM

THE KFNT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Thurslay, August 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part. George H. Daynes... ...Treble *William Martin ... ... 2 Frank Bennett ....... 3 *Gerald King ... ....... 4 - First peal in the method. - First pea
Irs. Martin

## NEW MILLS, DERBYSHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Bowdon and Stockport Branch.)
On Monday, August 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES ;
Tenor $13 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

- Samuel Gladivin ... ...Treble Harold Hibbert ... ... 5
fHenry Haythorn ... ... 2 Thomas Ashton ... ... 6 Rev. A. T. Beeston … 3 John T. Bottrill ... ... 7 William Butler ... ... 4 Thomas Ramsey ... ...Tenor Composed by Henry Dains, and Conducted by Rev. A. T. Beeston.
* First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal in the method on a bobbed bell. Rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. William Lowery, the leader of the local band.

EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tucsday, August 26, 1913, in Three Hours
At Christ Chorch,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.

- Edvard J. Mallard ...Treble George H. Howse ... ... 2 John T. Rickman Arthur G. Elidis ...

Conducted
s first peal
E. J. Mallarel's first peal in the method and firse attempt Arranged for Mr. Ellis, of St. Stephen's, Rochester Row.

DORCHESTER, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD
(Dorchester Branch.)
On Tuesday, August 26, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STED淠AN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 2i cwht.


 Conducted by G. T. White.

## DISS, NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Tuesday, August 26, 1913, in Three Hows and Trenty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt .


## LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, August 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minuies, At the Church of St. Johy, Vaterloo Road,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGEE; Tenor 20 cwt .
John H. B. Hesse ..Tyeble

Frank Bennett
Charles T. Coles Wileiam Spice $\qquad$ … 5
Alfred W. Grimes ...... $\mathbf{n}^{-}$Reuben Sanders $3^{-}$..... .6
J. Armiger Trollope ... 4 James E. Davis ... ...Tenor Composed by C. Middleton, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.
W. Spice's first attempt for a peal in the method.

## LIVERPOOL

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, August 28, 1913, in Two Hotirs and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael, Garston,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor $22 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
 * First

## PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thuvsday, August 2s, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minites, At the Church of St. Peter 2

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Heywood's Variation. <br> Tenor $7 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

Clement J. More ... ...Treble
George Archer ... ... 2
... 2 GEORGE FORD CROS ..
*Frank R. Copeman... ... 3 John Souter ... ... ... 6
Albert G. Warnes... ... 4 John Smith ... ... ...Tenor
Conducted by J. Souter.

* First peal of Stedman and first attempt.


## NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Thursday, August 28, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5188 CHANCES;
Tenor $14 \frac{\frac{7}{2}}{2}$ cwt.

- Walter Martin ... ...Tteble |*Geoffrey J. Stoneley... 5

Walter Martin ...

| "Rowland O. Pollard | .. | 2 | *Thomas Dickens | ... | ... | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thomas W. Chapman | .. | 3 | Harry Argyle ... | .. | .. | 7 |

Ernest Stone ... ... ... 4 E. Harry Stoneley ... Tenor
Composed by J. Pritchard, and
Conducted by E. Harry Stoneley

* First peal in the method.

ROSS, HEREFORDSHIRE.
On Friday, August 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At tee Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Holt's Ten-Part.
Ernest T. Allaway ... ...Treble Henry Kemp ... ... ... $=$ William Poston... ... ... 3 Campbell Kings ... ... 4

Tenor $24^{8}$ cwt.
John Clark ... ... ... 5 Horace F. Street ... 6 Edwin Barnett, Senr.... 7 Arthur Bushnell.... ...Tenor Conducted by Edwin Barnistt, Senr.
This is the quitkest peal yet rung on the bells.

## WHITWICK, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOC¥ATION.
On Saturday, August 30, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Horlis' Five-Part.
Tenor 12 cwt .

*First peal.
ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, August 30, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Barnabas,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
-Charles Cottrele ... ...Treble Jonathan Preston... ... 5 Thomas Rossam ... ... 2 William J. Meers ... 6 George Garrison ... ... 3 John Sanders... ... ... 7 *Joun Corrigan... ... ... 4 George F. Swann... ...Tenor Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and Conducted by George F. Swann

* First peal in the method. The conductor has now rung all the bells in this tower to a peal.


## STAINES, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
O: Saturday, August 30, 1913, in Tivo Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Church of Si. Peter,
A PEAL OF CRAHDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Holt's Tex-Part.

William C. Parker... ...Tveble John B. Hessey Joheres W .... ... 2 George Warinion ... ... 3
 Conducted by John B. Hessey.
First peal as conductor. G. Warinton was elected a member of the Association before starting.

MOUNTSORREL, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On S ituday, August 30, 1913, in Two Howrs and Forty-uine Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLE8, 5040 CHANEES;

## Carter's Twelve-Part.

*George Bowler ... ...Tyeble
*Thomas Collins $\quad . .$.
*Herbert Perkins...
 Conducted by E. Reader.

* First peal. First peal on the bells. Rung on the occasion of St. Peter's School Treat and the birthday of the ringer of the 2 nd. The ringers of the 5 th, 6th and 7 th belong to All Saints', Loughborough, the remainder to the local band.


## APPLEDORE, KENT.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(The Ronney Marsh and District Goild.)
On Saturday, August 30; 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minuter At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor $12 \frac{7}{2}$ cwt.
Highwood S. Humphery Tyeble'| Archibald C. Kay ... ... 5
James Livermore,. Junt. ... 2
Charles Tribe ... ... ... 3
Charles W. Player ... 4 Keith Hart ... $. . . \quad . . .7$.
Conducted by Keith Hart.

## ASHTEAD, SURREY.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS
AND THE ST. MARY ABBOT'S GUIIJD, KENSINGTON.
On Sahuday, Augwst 30, 1913, in Two Hours aud Forty-four Minutes At the Chorch of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thorstans' Four-Part.
Tenor 14 cwt.
Albert V. Selby ... ...Treble Clarence H. Dobbie ... 5
William A. Garrard ... 2 Ernest G. Stibbons ... 6

William E. Garrard ... 4 Conducted by W. E. Garrard.

- First peal.


## LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (Late the St. James' Suciety.)
On Saturday, August 30, 7913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. James, Clerkenwell,
A PEAL OF STED日AA TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES ;
Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 2 I cwt. I qr. 26 lbs.
*Albert E. Millett ...Treble
Thomas H. Tafrender ... 2
Arthor D. Barker... ... 3
Christorher H. Hughes 4 Richard Bevan ${ }^{\text {.... }}$....Tenoy
Conducted by Arthor D. Barker.

* First peal with a bob bell. First peal as conductor.


## LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(Late the St. James' Society.)
On Saturday, August 30, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Mary, Battersea,
A PEAL OF STED惧AN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANCES;
Thurstans' Four-Part.
Tenor $15 \frac{3}{\text { a }}$ cwt.
Challis F. Winney ... ...Treble | Ernest A. Reeve ...

| Sedley Collins... | $\ldots$ | .. | 2 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Walter G. Matthews | $\cdots$ | 3 | Hilliam Essery | $\ldots$ | ... | | Walter G. Matthews | ... | 3 | Harry Mance ... | .. | .. | 7 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frank A, Smith | $\ldots$ | .. | 4 | Frank Gibbard | $\ldots$ | ... | Conducted by Harry Mance.

* First peal. + First peal in the method. A complimentary birthday peal to the conductor.


## BRISTOL

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Saturday, August 30, 1913, in Two Hours aud Forty-five Mimutes, At the Church of the Emmandel, Clifton,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Parker's Twelve-Part.

*Samtel Popham ... ...Tyeble
George W. Tomins...$\quad 2 \quad$ Edgar Guise ...
*George Todball ... ... 3 | George Condick, Junr.... 7 Alfred E. Reeves... ... 4 Charles Rawlings... ...Tero\%

Conducted by Edgar Guise.

* First peal. First peal on the bells, and first peal as conductor..


## GLASTONBURY, SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Augus! 30, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF GRANDBIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Taylor's Six-Part.
Tenor 26 cwt .
-Arthor Pearce... ... ...Tveble Benjamin A. Thorpe $\quad . . \quad 2$ Samuel P. Merson … 6 Henry J. Trim... ... ... 4 i| Henry Brass ... ... ...Tenor

Conducted by B. A. Thorpe.

* First peal away from tenor. Rung after meeting short for Stedman. B. A. Thorpe was elected a member before starting the peal.


## SELLY OAK, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Monday, September 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANCES;
A Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 12 cwt is qr . 13 lbs .

*William H. Ball ... ...Treble |*William G. Ikin ... ... 5 | George Pigott | ... | .. | 2 | Arthur Chambers ... | .. | 6 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John Eaton | $\ldots$. | .. | $\ldots$ | 3 | Samubl | Groves | .. | .. |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

 Conducted by George Pigotr.

- First peal. + First peal with a bob bell.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

EAST HARLING, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

- On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF 80B MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being seven 720's.
William Duncan ... ...Treble
Oscar Garnham... ... ... 2 William Mears... ... ... 3

Tenor in cwt.
William Eagling ... ... 4 Alfred Newson
Oliver Bullman ... ...Tenoy

BURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, August 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-fve Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGE ;
Being 720 each of Woodbine. Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor I4 cwt. Frederick Kilborn ... ...Tyeble| George A. Blaxley Walter T. Wilson ... ... 2 E. Maurice Atkins E. Márice Atkins ... 5 William C. Lewis ... $\ldots . .3$ William D. James... ...Teror Conducted by William D. James.

FOXTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, August 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Oxford Treble Bob, and two 720's each of Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor I4 cwt.
Rex T. Buswell ... ...Treble Walter T. Wilson ... 4
*J. Bruce Williamson ..
E. Macrice Atrins ... 2 Conducted by William D. Wames. ${ }^{3}$.

* First peal in five methods.

ISHAM, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 30, 1913, in Two Honv's and Forty-tight Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANCES;

Comprising 720 each of St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 年 cwt.
George A. Blaxley ..Treble E. Matrice Atrins
Walter T. Wilson ... 2 Frederick Kilborn.. .4 -J. Brece Williamson … 3 . 3 Willtam D. James... ... Tenor Conducted by William D. James,

* First peal in seven methods.

UPTON BISHOP, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, August 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven different 720's
Tenor Io cwt.
Campbell Kings ... ...Treble
Franik Voyce ... ... Allen Gwynne ... ... ... 2 James P. Hyeti... John Clark... ... ... ... 3 William Poston ... ...T Tenoy Conducted by W. Poston.
Arranged for J. P. Hyett, who hails from Hay.
GREAT HAMPTON, WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, August 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF BOB RINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's, each called differently.
$\ddagger$ Frank Jinks ... ... ...Treble Frank Cook
§Frank Brassington ... 2 "Frank Godfrey ... ... 4 Frank Moss ... ... ... 3 †Frank Cook, Junr.... ... : enor Conducted by Frank Cook.
*First peal. $\dagger$ First peal in the method. $\ddagger$ First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor with a bob bell.

GREAT BARTON, SUFFOLK
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sunday, August 31, 1913, in Tero Hours and Forty-fof Minutes, At the Chorch of the Holy Innocents,
A PEAL OF BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;


Conducted by T. J. Lloyd.
Mr. Hardy, of London, was elected a life member of the Association before starting.

Being seven 720 's each called differently.
... ... ...Treble| F. J. Levitit ...
*P. Sturgeon
E. Storgeon W. Radley

[^60] Conducted by $H$, W. Foulger.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS.
TTEE ELY DIOCIESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, August 20, 1913, in Two Howrs and Twenty-ons Minutes,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Taylor's Six-Part.

| William D. James | $\ldots$ | I-2 | Arthur E. Moore | $\cdots$ | $5-6$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frederick Dewell | $\cdots$ | $3-4$ | Harry A. Turner... | $\cdots$ | $7-5$ | Frederick Dewell $\ldots .3-4$ Harry A. Turner..... .3 - S

Conducted by A. E. Moore. Umpire: WV. Radley.

## NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Tuesday, August 26, 1913, in Tino Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Residence of Mr. C. L. Routledge,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS, 5039 CHANGES:

| * Benjamin C. Difor ... | I- 2 | Charles L. Routledge | $5-6$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William H. Barber ... | $3-4$ | Joseph E. R. Keen |  | Villiam H. Barber... 3 - 4 Joseph E. R. Keen ... 7 - 8 *Robert Richards ... 9-io

Composed by the Rev. Hervard Jealous, and Conducted by William H. Barber.

Referee: Alfred F. Hillier.

- First peal of Caters on handbells. First peal of Grandsire Caters on handbells by all except the conductor, and rung at the first attempt.

KETTERING, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE. THE. CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSIIIRE ASSOCIATION. On Weduesday, August 27, 1913, in Tzüo Hours and Fijty Minutes, At 5, The Broadwat,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5093 GHANGES:

| William D. James | $\ldots$ | I-2 | E. Matrice Atkins | ... | $5-6$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| David J. Nichols ... | $\ldots$ | $3-4$ | J. Edward Chapman | ... | $7-8$ | David J. Nichols ... ... 3 - 4 J. Edward Chapman $\cdots^{. . .}$7-8 Frederick W. Salvfoot 9-io Composed by A. Knights, and Conducted by E. Maurice Aikins.

CROYDON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Residence of H. L. Garfath, Weymouth, Morland Road,

A PEAL OF STEDHAN CATERS, 5041 CHANGES;

## Size 16 , in $B$ flat.

Lovis Attwater
Alfred H. Pulling ...
Henry L. Garfath
... I- $2 \mid$ Walter S. Wise $5-6$
$7-8$ Composed by G. Lindoff, and Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling. Uinpire: David Wright.
Witnesses: Mrs. Garfath and Mrs. Pulling.
First peal of Stedman Caters " in hand." First peal of Stedman Caters on handbells by the above Association.

## CROYDON, SURREY

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, August 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes, At the Residence of H. L. Garfath, "Weymouth," Morland Road,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANCES:

| - Sidney R. Roper ... | ... | I-2 | Alfred H. Pulling | ... | $5-6$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Walier S. Wise... | .. | $3-4$ | Henry L. Garfath | .. | $7-8$ |

 Composed by Walter S. Wise, and Conducted by Alfred II. Pulling.
Witnesses: Mrs. Garfath and Mrs. Pliling. * First peal of Bob Major double-handed.

The peal rung at Gosforth, and recorded last week, was conducted by Joseph A. Gofton. It was the quickest peal of Major on the bells.

We have frequently had inquiries as to where ringers. can purchase a suitable Ladge. Mr. J. Comber, goldsmith. and jeweller, of Woking, has arranged to supply artistic emblems of this character, and particulars as to price, etc., will be found in an advertisement. The pendant, which has been specially designed, should prove very popular among ringers. It can be had in either gold, silver, or bronze.

## WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Southern branch took place at Evesham, on Saturday last, unde: ideal conditions, when there wero ringers present from Bengeworth, Hinton, Hamplon, Fladbury, Pershore, Lekington, Overbury, Toddington, Badsey and Childswickham. At sorvice, Held in All Saints' Church, the Iural Dean (the Rev. J. M. Walker) gave an excellent adduess from the words: "I was glad when they said unto me we will go into the house of the Lovd." He pointed out to the ringers their high calling in sending forth from tower and steople tho message to worshippers to come to church, and impressed upon his hearers that, after calling worshippers to clurch, it was their duty to attend divine service themselves.
After service, the ringers, to the number of about 50 , sat down to a cripital " knife and fork" spread in the Parish Hall, the catering being in the hands of Mr. G. ITale.-A business meeting followed, at which the Rural Deun presidat. Soveral new members were olected, and it was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Bidsey, and to attempt the quartely peal at Erosham, with Mr. H. Middleton as conductor.-It was also decided to arrange a united practice meeting at Littlo Comberton, the last meeting having proved a failure, owing to a wet day.-On the proposition of Mr. G. E. Rlind, a hearty rote of thanks was accorded to the Ihural Dean for his excellent address, for the use of the bells, and for providing such a splendid tea; also to the choir for their presence at the service, and to Mr. G. Hale for the way he had catered for the ringers. The Rural Dcan replied, and tho meeting then terminated. - Before and after the service, touches were rung in various Standard methods, and Bengeworth and Hampton bells were also available, aud were utilised afternoon and evening.

## THE APPEAL FOR MRS. NUNN.

The following further subscriptions have been received; W. H. F., Farnburn Avenue, near Slough, 1s.; G. A. Hawker, Mayfild, Grange Arenue, Woadford Green, 5s.; R. IH. Knight, 83, Pembroke Road, Walthamstow, 2s. 6d.; Mr. and Mrs. Whittington, Winterfold, Cranleigh, Surrey, 3s. Contributions should be sent too F. R., care of the Rev. F. Rice, the Vicurage, St. Anns Road, Soull Totomham.

## TO THE BELLS.

Yo sweet ohuroh bells, who merrily ring A theme ye ever have;
Ye ring for man from when he is born,
Until he is leid in the grave.
$\mathrm{Y}_{\mathrm{B}}$ ring for man whers be is born,
To all proclaim his たirth;
Yea, gladly ye tell that another has oome
To share the troubles of earth.
Ye ring, too, when, in course of time,
He takes to himself a wife;
Then gladly he hearkens to gou, for he thinks It the happiest day of his life.
Then muffled yo ring, but he hears ye not,
For death has olaimed his due;
And ye solemnly romind those left behind They must cross the river, too.
Thus through all lifo with its changeful soenes, Ye with oliangeful sound proclaim
Your song of joy, your talle of wooErer now, yet ever the same.
Ring on, $O$ bells, your part fulfil, Help man the disy to see
When earth shall be filled with knowledge of God, As tho waters cover the sea.

1. J. MERCHANT.

WIITBY, YORKS.-The Cleveland Assceciation.-On Sunday, July 6 th, an attempt for a peal of Kent Treble Bob Mrjar, came to grief after ringing over two hours forty-five minutes: J. T. Waters 1, J. Cotterell (conductor) 2, W. Breckon 3, W. S. ILodgson 4, W. Jnaggs 5. G. F. Alexander 6, W. Marland. 7, A. Coates 8.

## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

## PLYAPOUTH VISITNED

The ringers of $S$. Andrew's Church, Congresbury, together with a fow fricuts, visited. Plymouth for their annual outing. The parts, numbering 20 , including one of the churchwardens and three sidesmen, left Congresbury about 7 a.m., and joined the excursion train at Yitton, a saloon having been reserved for them. The journey proved exceptionally interesting, the country being new to the majority of the party. Plymouth was reached just before noon, and a visit paid to Charles' Church, where a few touches of Grandsice Triples were ring. The band wishes to thank Mr. W. H. Marsh for kindly obtaining permission for them to ring, and the clergy for glanting the use of the bells. After dinner, the party enjoyed a stroll round the Hor, and a most pleasant sea trip which provided them with a view of the fent, Devonport Dockyard, Saltash Bridge, and many other places of interest, and, incidentally, of the regatta. The return journey commencerl at 7.30, and Congresbury was reached just before midnight, areryone expressing themselves highly pleased with the day's outing.

## AT BLACKPOOL

The Norton, Derbyshire. ringers visited Blackpool for their ammual outing. The party, who left Sheffield at 5.30 a .m., jcurneyed through the beautiful Hope Valley, and via Manchester, arriving at Blackpool al 9.15. Having obtained permission to ring a short touch at the Catholic Church, 504 Grandsire Triples was brought round by: A James 1. F. James 2, J. Biggin 3, A. Rose 4, H. Beardshaw 5, F. Allen 6. W'. Biggin (conduotor') 7, T. Lee 8. Also two courses with S. Simpson, treble. The ringers then went their different ways, some for a sea trip, others to sample the waviozs amusements, for which Blackpool is noted. The day was fine, and the party had a very enjoyable outing. The risitors wish to thank the friend at Blackpool who so kindly arranged for them to ring.

## TSUTON MEN'S OUTING.

the kindness of the churchwardens, the first annual outing of Whe Luton Parish Church ringers took place on Salurday, August 16th, the venue being Tring, which was reached by char-a-banc. The journey was made by way of Markgate and Shedham, Great Gaddesten being the first place. Permission having been obtained, the bells were raised, and Bob Singles, Grandsire and Stedman Doubles tapped off on this fime peal of five bells (tenor 13 cwt .). The frame is built for six, and it is hoped that some kind friend will soon fill the racant space to make a handy ring of six, as the local men are taking up the art of change ringing under the direction of the Vicar (the Rev. A. Wollis). The party proceeted to Great Berkhampstead, reached via Water End, Hemel Hempstead and Boxmoor, where lunch was partaken of at the King's Arms Hotel. Afterwards a visit was paid to the church, and ringing indulged in for about two hours on the peal of cight (tenor is cwt.). The bells go well, but are marred by the cracked condition of the sixth.
After bidding the local ringers adieu, a start was made for Tring, Which was reached at $5.0 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea was provided at the George Hotel, and served in first class style by Host Burton. After tea, the tower was risitcd, and the grand peal of bells, no doubt the finest ring of ciglat in the county, with a tenor of 27 cwt., told their tale in Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob and Kent Treble Bob Major. The journey home was made via Ivanhoe and Dunstable, Luton being reached on the stroke of 11.0 p.m., after an enjoyable drive of 40 milrs, o'er hill and dale, in glovious weather, and through some of the most sublime scenery of Beds and Herts. The ringers, through the medium of the "Ringing World," wish to thank the incumbents of Great Gaddesden, Great Berkhampstead and Tring for their kindness in allowing them the use of tho bells, and the local ringers for having orerything in radiness.

WORCESTER.-At the Church of St. John-in-Bedwardine, on June $1 s^{t}$, for erening service, 720 Oxford Bob: W. Thomas 1, B. S. Hill 2, IT. Page 3, G. Hinton, jumr., 4, J. Pardoe 5, G. Checketts (conductor) 6.-On June 15th, for evening service, 720 College Single: TT. Page (conluctor) 1, G. Checketts 2, "J. Wocdyatt (first in the method) 3, A. Hill 4. G. Hinton, junr., 5, W. Edgington 6.-On June 23 rad the birthday of the Prince of Wales), 720 Plain Bob Minor: B. Hill 1, B. S. Hil 2, J. Woodyatt 3, W. Page (conductor') 4, J. Pardoe 5, F. Watkins 6.

AFHTON-UNDFR-LYNE.-At St. Peter's Church, on July 10th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: J. W. Holme 1, J. ILall 2, G. Garnett 3, R. Wimpenny (longest length as conductor) 4, H. Holme 5, If. Palmer 6, W. W. Wolstencroft 7, D. Wolstencroft (longest length) 8 -On Jume 19th, a quarter-peal, conducted by G. Garnett (longest length as conductor', and with F. Barton, tenor.

LONDON.-On June 30th, at St. Andrew's, Marylebone, W., a quarier-peal of Cambridge Surprise Major, in 48 mins.: T. Walker 1, 'T. H. Taffender (conducior) 2, H. Hughes 3, R. N. Runham 4, J. Corn ford 5, A. D. Barker 6, R. W. Green 7, F. J. Hardy 8. Wirst quarterpeal of Sumprise upon the bells. Afterwards a touch of Stedman Triples, conducted by C. Fi. Winnes.

5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS.
By R. MAYNARD
23456789


## BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR. <br> To the Editor.

Sir,-In rour issue of the 29 th $A$ ugust, you publish two peals of Bristol by IIr. Dains, the footnote statimg that ther are thought to be the first with their particular qualities. The following peal was rung in 1911, and whether the first produced with these qualities I cannot say

$$
\begin{array}{lllll}
5088 & & & \\
23456 & \text { M } & \text { B } & \text { W } & \text { H } \\
24535 & 1 & - & 2 & 2 \\
24365 & 2 & & 2 & 1 \\
63425 & 1 & - & 2 & 2 \\
32465 & & & 1 & 2 \\
23564, & - & 1 & 2
\end{array}
$$

This peal contains the 4th, 5th and 6th, their extent in 6th's place and exclusively in that position, with all the 8-4's, 8-5's and 8-6's, also the 2nd her extent at home on this plan, seien extents in all. The figures are printed in the Yorkshire Report under peal No. 2146. It was first rung at Chesterfield on May 13th, 1911, conducted by the author:-Yours faithfully,

SAM THOMAS.
Dearr Sirr, -Mr. Arthur Knights, of Chesterfield, writes me to say he has had for over two years the 5088 of Bristol Surprise you published for me last week. I accept his word, and hereby withdraw my clainn to that composition. In his letter, Mr. Knights rery kindy encloses a ist of his peals in this methed contaming similar quaties. Amongst these, I find an old three-part peal or four years ago, viz., fanuary 16th, 18.9. This latter peal had slipped my memory when writing you last week. The following is another peal with similar qualıties:-

| 5083 |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 23456 | II | B | W | II |
| 24536 |  |  | 1 | 2 |
| 24365 |  | - |  | 1 |
| 46325 | 1 | - |  |  |
| 53624 | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| 32546 |  | - |  |  |
| 23845 |  | - | 1 | 2 |
| Twice | repeated. |  |  |  |

CROYDON.-At St. Peter's Church, on St. Poter's Day, on the occasion of the Lord Miayor and Sheriffs of London attending service in state, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters: W. Wise 1, F. Larby 2 , C. Dean 3, W. Ives 4, W. Rowe (first quarter-peal in the method) 5, ก. Wright (conductor) 6. A. Clark 7, W. Burt 8, W. Grores 9, C. Kitching 10.

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Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the College Youths.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association.
Cambridge Surbrise Maximus by the College Youths.
Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham on May 11th, 1912.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association, June 1st.
Stedman Cinques by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17th.
Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the Kent Association, December 7th, 1912.

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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

MR. FRED G. MAY.

One of the most able, as well as one of the best known, ringers in the West of England is Mr. F. G. Heywood May, of Bristol, eldest son of the late Mr George May, lord of the manor of Poulton, near Cirencester, Gloucestershire. Mr. May's home is at Cirencester, where he has many family connections, but his education was received at the Collegiate School, Tetbury, a town some ten miles distant, and it was some years after his school days were ended that he was prevailed upon to try his hand at


Mr. Fred G. May.
change ringing. The Parish Church, Cirencester, has a splendid peal of twelve bells, and after a lot of persuasion he was induced by a fellow townsman (Mr. Tom Gardner) to pay a visit to the belfry, and after " having a go," joined the company in 1894. The leader of the band (Mr. C. Bond) gave every assistance possible, and the pupil was quickly in evidence by taking part in a peal of Grandsire Triples, which was soon followed by Caters in the same method. By this time he was fairly infatuated with the science, and undertook the duties of hon. secretary to the Parish Church band. He held this office only a short time, however, for business matters made it imperative that he should reside in Gloucester, and he was very reluctantly
obliged to resign. He transferred his services to the celebrated St. Michael's Juniors band of ringers (who about this time were doing great things in the ringing world), with whom he made rapid progress, and became one of the most prominent members.

It was whilst living in Gloucester he was proposed for the highest honour the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association can offer, viz., the Mastership, to which he was duly clected, and held the office during the years 1898,1899 , igoo, to February, 190r, when he resigned and accepted the office of hon. secretary until February, 1905. Mr. May was also elected a member of the Central Council in 1900, and served the Association for nine years in that capacity, and it was during this period that he brought forward in the Council Chamber at Cambridge, the debatable point as to what constituted London Surprise Royal.

Gloucester had the assistance of his valuable help until the middle of 1899 , and during his residence there he took part in the first peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal rung and also the first attempt of Cambridge Surprise Maximus on Cirencester bells. This attempt was the first ever made in the method on twelve bells, the band including the brothers the Revs. H. L. and E. B. James, with Mr. John Austin as conductor. Mr May also took part in the first peal ever rung of Gloucester Surprise Major. In August of i899 he removed to Bristol, where he now holds an important and responsible post in the Poor Law-a department under the Local Government Board. His first appearances with ringers in Bristol were with the St. Stephen's Guild, from whose members he has received much help individually and collectively. In September, Igoo, the late Rev. R. L. Murchison, a former Vicar of St. Nicholas, Bristol, sent asking for an interview respecting the formation of a Ringers' Guild for his church, with the result that a Guild was formed on November 6 th of the same year. Since that date Mr. May has been elected Master of the Guild, which continues to do its share of peal ringing.

By reference to the record of Mr. May it will be seen he is a ringer and conductor of first-class ability. Having: taken a leading part in the management of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association for about eight years, and being a practical ringer, he helped very considerably to place the Association in the forefront of ringing organisations. It may be specially notêd that during the years of his official connection, greater progress was made by the Association in peal ringing than during the whole time the Association had existed from 1878, a period of twenty years. He has done much to assist many young ringers through their first peal in any method, and in two instances has taught two separate bands the art of change ringing. The members of each of these bands, with one or two exceptions, have rung one or more peals. Mr. May conducted the first peal of London Surprise Major ever rung in Bristol and the first in Somerset in the same method; also the first peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal in Bristol; the first peal of Forward Royal in Bristol and in Somerset, and also the first peal of Erin Caters ever rung. He has called a different peal of Stedman Triples from each working bell and he is the only Gloucestershire-taught ringer to ring 300 peals, his record including over 100 peals of Stedman in the county and peals in the following methods :-

Stedman Triples, Caters and Cinques
Grandsire Triples, Caters and Cinques
Bob Triples, Major, Royal and Maximus

## Oxford Treble Bob Major <br> Double Norwich Court Bob Major <br> Forward Major and Royal <br> Erin Caters <br> Gloucester Surprise Major <br> Superlative Surprise Najor <br> Cambridge Surprise Major and Royal <br> London Surprise Major <br> Canterbury Pleasure Major.

Except Gloucester Surprise Major he has conducted peals in each method he has rung from working bells, his total conducted being 165 . In addition to the foregoing record he has spent many pleasant hours in composing, and has produced many musical compositions in various methods. Mr. May still retains membership of the following Associations and Societies:-Cirencester Parish Church Society, Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, St. Michael's Juniors (Gloucester), Midland Counties Association, Hereford Diocesan Association, Ancient Society of College Youths, Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, St. MLartin's Guild (Birmingham), Middlesex County Association, St. Nicholas Guild (Bristol), Cheltenham and District Guild, and Winchester Diocesan Guild.

## ODD CHANGES.

The annual ringing tour organised by Mr. W. Pye hegins on Saturday, Devon and Cornwall being visited. The party will include the Rev. A. T. Beeston (New Mills), Messrs. IV. Pye, E. Pye, I. G. Shade, A. W. Grimes and A. W. Brighton (London), J. Flint (Bolsover), G. Dent (Harrow), W. J. Nevard (Great Bentley), A. R. Macdonald (Bournemouth) and T. T. Gofton (Whitley Bay).

It is hoped to ring at the following towers:-Saturday, September 6th, Charles Church, Plymouth (8) ; Sunday, September 7 th, St. Germans (8) ; Monday, September 8th, Liskeard (8) and Fowey (8); Tuesday, September 9th, St. Kea (8) and Kenwyn (8) : Wednesday, September roth, St. Andrew's, Plymouth (ro), and Stonehouse (8) ; Thursclay, September irth, Ashburton (8) and Totnes (8); Friday, September I2th, Bovey Pomeroy (8) and Bovey Tracey (8); Saturday, September i 3 th, Heavitree (8) and St. David's, Exeter (8).

Wakefield, with its tenor of 3 r cwts., should have been included in the list of cathedrals given last week as possessing peals of twelve bells. Only one peal has been rung on this twelve--Stedman Cinques, on December 26th, r908, conducted by Mr. W. Lomas.

The first " Frank" band to ring a peal were successful on Sunday, when a peal of Bob Minor was rung by men of this Christian name at Great Hampton. This company have been up and doing while certain other Franks have been thinking about it.

In the blood "' is an expression one often hears when an hereditary accomplishment shows itself in succeeding generations. Certainly it has evinced itself in the famous Pitstow family of Saffron Walden. We record this week a peal of Stedman Caters rung at Stepney in which Harold Pitstow, son of Ernest and grandson of Nathan of that ilk, took part. He is only is years of age, and this was his first peal of Caters, yet he rang like an old hand.

## WASHBROOK SURPRISE PRINCIPLE, OR CAVERSHAM ENTERPRISE MAJOR. To the Eiditor.

Sir,-Will you allow me enough space in your paper to prove the truth of the old adage that "Fools rush in where angols fear to tread." Well, I will take the risk of the crushing, "eastigations I shall doubtless receive, and will ask the "Great Lords" of the Legitimate Methods Committee to tell us of the rank and file in simple language, otherwiso called the "vulgar tongue." why the above method is not Surprise or Principle, or anything that is good. Are some of the magnificent buildings of the present day condemned because steel and concrete are used instead of bricks and timber? No, they are adimired as marvels of engineering and architecture; so will the methods of the future have to arlvance, and improve to hold the interest of the futuro members of our Exercisc. Because the first and last. half, or the front ancl back work of a course are not as alike as the two wings of a butterfly, the musical qualitios do not suffer, in fact I hare never listened outside a tower to a meihod that is more beautiful, the dove-tailing of back and front work being vers, pleasing. I certainly think instcad of dubbing a thing "worthless " at sight of a diagram, these committcemen should at lenst hear the thing rung, even if it in too great a mental strain to learn to ring it themselves. Forgive my rank heresy when I prophecy, Wat if some of our advanced "Surprise" men will take it up, that so-calied "Queen "Superlative will! be dethroned and relegated to the lowly position of "hand maiden." I may say in conclusion that what I have heard of it was not rung in " Ragtime": 110 man bring allowed to set his bell more than a whole pull at one time, to collect his thoughts. --Yours respectfully,
h. T. IIIBBERT.

## THE PEAL AT APPLEDORE.

This peal was the quarterly peal of the Eastern Division of the Sussex Association, and perhaps it seems rather strange it should have taken place in Kent, but a few words will explain why such ant exceptional course was adopted. Tho original plans were for the peal to be rung at liye, but the Rommey Marsh and District Guild, knowing that Mr. Keith Hart had been closen as conducior, thought they would try to induce that noted ringer to journey to Appledore also for another peal of Stedman to be rung under the auspices of the Kent Association and that society. Mr. Ifart consented, and it was decided to attempt the Appledore peal in the afternoon and the llye peal in the evening. The band met at Appledore, and an hour or so before starting time a telegram arrived stating the Ryo jeal could not be attemptod, owing to serious illness near the church. It was, therefore, decided as no other tower was available, to convert the Appledore peal into the quarterly peal of the Eastern Division of the Sussex Association, who were bearing the principal part of tho expenses. A capital peal was rung, the first in the method by the Guild, and the first peal of Stedman by Mr. Kay, who was elceted a member of the Sussex Association. Messis. Hart and Livermore were admitted to the Romney Marsh Guikl. Eight towers were represented, the ringers coming from the followin? churchas: Messta. II. S. Humphery (New Romney), J. Livermore, junr. (Blacklands, Hastings), C. Tribe (Tenterden), C. W. Player (Stone-in-Oxney), A. C. Kay (Ashford), G. Billenness (Rya), K. Hart (St. Peter's, Brighton), and G. Johnson (Appledore). It was the 50th peal by Mr. G. Billenncss, whose record is made up of: Bob Minor, 2, conducted, 1; four Minor Mithods. 2, conducted, 2; Grandsire Triples, 39, conduct d, 29 : Stedman Triples, 2;: Pob Major, 4 conducted, 1: Kent Truble Bob Major, 1; total, 50 , conducted, 33.

## WHAT IS "SOULING"?

## To the Falitor.

Sir,-Your printer, or my own handwriting, made a sad hash of my quastion in your last issue. I asked abcut " Souling." not "Souting ": and my suggestion of All Souls' Day (November 2nd) for All Sainis' Day must have seemed utterty pointless in connection with the term "Souting." Meanwhile I have only frund out that the "Death Bell. or " Passing Boll "was sometimes callect the "Souling Bell": which has nothing to do with the supppos custom of "Souling."
St. Albans.
T. L. PAPILLON
[We regret that through mis-reading Canon Papillon's handwriling, the mistake to which he alludes should have occurred.-Fiki.]

## GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION.

The bells of Southwell Cathedral were rung on Thesday evening last week to celebrate the goken wedding of My. A. Merryficld. A touch of 504 Grandsire Triples was brought round br: Fi. Foster 1, H. B. Berresford 2, A. II. Wilson 3, 1. Pickaril 4, (i. Be cket 5, E. Foster 6, A. J. Chamberlain (conductor) 7, F. Larkey 8. Afterwards the band were entertainod to a splendid supper at the Admiral Roducy Hotel, of which Mr. Meryyfield is the proprietor. Mr. F. Larkey, who rang the tenor, is home from soulh America on a visit.


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## LEICESTER.

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TTT-BITS FROM A HOLIDAY DIARY.
Bank ILoliday provided a cool morning, and promiscd us favourable conditions for two peal attempts, permission having been very kindly given by the respective clergy, the Rev. R. S. O. H. Wood, M.A., and the Rev. F. M. Donaldson, M.A. On meeting at St. John the Divine's Church, we kicked our heels about the porch for an hour or so waiting for Mr. F. M. Atkins, who in turn blamed the excursionists generally for keeping us waiting. This delay was compensated for by our scoring the first Cambridge on an excellent peal by Taylor. The ringing room, a spacious apartment, being well ventilated and furnished, clean and convenient. Our treble woman was "a brick," and soon adjusted the treble to eight-bell compass, swinging out behind when dodging with the tenor, in approved Major style. We took lunch at the "Earl Grey," near the church, a true type of ringers' meeting house, and lost no time in moving on to our second tower, St. Mark's. Here a wellstruck peal was scored on a ring of eight, although several bells art not in the best peal ringing condition. Having finished for the day by 7.30 p.m., we made for our tea rooms in Linden Street, and an hour later adjourned to other rooms, where liquid stronger than tea was dispenscd. "Earl Grey " recejved us courteously, until Father Time was announcol, a pleasant evening with the Leicester men having been spent.
We resumed acquaintance with several old hands, Messis. Cotton, Buttery, N'eedham and Cooper, and scored a first-class course of Grand. sire Cinques, and a touch of Stedman Caters, double handed. Memor'es of the men who rang Stedman non-conducted on handbells on all numbers up to Cinques, came back, mixed with the names of those ringing in the 10,000 of 1777 , and the modern record peals of Double Norwich at Wigston, and Stedman Caters at Loughborough

The ringers of Leicester appear to have had a fair share of engago ments to open peals of bells in the Midlands for a century past. In 1805, having been asked to open Northampton bells, they were met by the Mayor and aldermen in state, at the entrance to the fown, and escorted to the church. The festivities lasted over three days, in which the Leicester men held their own, having decided to "sec it out." There seems to hare been a bond of union between the ringers and founders of these two towns for something like three centuries, since Henry Oldficld, of Nottingham, was in partnership with William Newcombe of Leicester, when casting "Great Tom" of Lincoln in the Minster yard in 1611. It is presumed they also jointly cast the bell at Oxford, famous as the " Music Bell," the verse from which I have headed this contribution to my readers. The music comprises four detached pieces, written on a five line staff in diamond-shaped notes, usually seen in the prick-song of the period. Each division is preceded by a roundel containing a man's profile and bust, in relief, in the dress of that period.

## PRESERVATION OF RELICS.

This is the only bell of its kind in existence, and ought not to be subjected to any risk of destruction, after 300 years of useful work. Why not, therefore, place it in the Oxford Museum or the Bodleian Library for the interest and benefit of posterity? It appears to me that tuning upon the late Canon Simpson's principle is responsible for the destruction of a number of rare and valuable old church bells, and Captain Jerram has referred to a matter in your columns, upon which I have held strong opinions for some years: "The preservation of preReformation bell castings." An indifferent piece of furniture or a second rate oil painting of only balf the age and interest that some of our early English bells show, would fetch extraordinary prices in the sale room, and yet such an object of great antiquarian value, as a casting, could often be saved for the price of recasting only.
To deal with the bells of the town of Leicester would take too much space, but a few brief notes are of interest. St. Margaret's bells, mostly cast by Tugh Watts in 1633, are reputed by hocal men of eminenco to be "the noblest ring of ten bells in Eingland." There added by Rudhall, of Gloucester, in 1711, the Corporation subscribing £20 to make up the octare, and two more were given by $W^{\prime} \mathrm{m}$. Fortrey in 1738. Thomas Eyre, a jear later (1739), recast the 6th, and so perpetuated the fame of the previous founder by puting this inscription upon it: " Hugh. Watts, of Leicester, the foremost in his art, cast the six largest bells."
Concerning the tenor is the following anccdote: Both Hugh and his son werc enthusiastic founders, each ambitious to produce the best specimen of the art. While the metal and moulds were preparing for a casting, the son urged the father to go to London to hear the best-toned tenor he could. As soon as the father had gone, the son set to work and cast the great bell in his absence, but it did not turn out satisfactory, and he recast it. Finding this bell had every qualification he wished for, he wrote his father to come home on a certain date had the bell hung in readiness, and at the critical moment, when Hugh Watts was returning into the town, the san
Francis set the great bell ringing to the no small joy of his parent. A LEICESTER BELL PATRON.
Wm. Fortrey, referred to above, was an enthtisiastic aclmirer of church bells, and did much towards encouraging improvements in the rings in different, parishes in Leicestershıre. IIe rebuilt the Church of

Galby, and placed in it in the year 1741 a ring of six bells. He did the same at King's Norton, hanging a ring of ten bells-preserving one of the old ones-since reduced to eight to lessen the weight and strain on the steeple. He gave lwo new bells to St. Margaret's, Leicester, in 1738; a treble to Houghton-on-1he-Hill in 1771, and his name is mentioned in connection with other bells in the county. His memory is still cherished by old change ringers of Leicester who speak of him as "Squire Fortrey," a man who made it his business all his lifo to enguire into these matters - "bells and bell ringing "- and who was the patron and director of Thos. Eyre, of Kettering, and one of the subscribers to publishing John Holt's peals.

Mr. Thompson, in "The History of Leicester," in mentioning the former church dedicated to St . Peter, says that when it was destroyed, the materials were sold to the Mayor and Corporation by Queeu Elizabeth for $£ 35$. Here on Christmas Eve, 1306, the Vicar murdered the clerk as he went to strike the bell early in the morning, as was his usual custom. William, the Vicar, sheltered himself in the church for seven weeks. At last, giving himself up, he was confined to prison, but there is no record of any punishment awarded to him. There were four bells belonging to this church, and from the chamberlain's accounts of 1564 , we learn that the great bell weighed 11 ewt. 0 qr . 16 lbs., was sold to Thos. Newcombe for $£ 1416 \mathrm{~s}$. 8dl., and that Francis Watts bought the set of four boll wheels for 12 s .

On Tuesday, August 5th, the 9.55 train took us to Loughboro', and meeting at the Parish Church, we started for Stedman Caters. The Rector (the Rev. Canon Pitts, M.A.), met us in the tower, and upon inquiring if the little lady was going to watch the ringing for three hours, was thoroughly astonished to hear that the little lady was to take part in the ringing. Ring she did and well, having had but two touches on ten previously at Loughboro', and on the conclusion of the peal it was quite refreshing to see the proud way in which W.W. gave his daughter a fatherly kiss of hearty congratulation. Indeed Miss Willson was the recipient of warm congralulation from all the band upon her achievement. Afterwards a certain amount of time was lost in grouping ourselves on the step of the south porch, since the camera to which we posed with proper composure in desired position turned out a blank owing to a faulty shutter.

## MISS HILDA WILLSON BREAKS RECORD

Pangs of hunger clrore us to the Beacon-a temperance hotel-for a plain lunch and a few minutes' rest before our two miles' walk over the river Soar to Stanford Chureh, situated in a picluresque spot, sur rounded by trees. Here we were permitted by the Rev. C. L. Vashon Baker, M.A., to attempt a peal of Doublo Norwich, Miss Eilda Willson eagerly preparing for her record-breaking effort. Our two young hot bloods were put on the tenors, and they sent them along at a great pace, while perspiration streamed freely. This belfry is very small with a low ceiling and only one small window, so that the oil lamp had to be used, and we were relieved when the bells came round, no one more so than "Dad." Stanford does not boast of an inn, and our refreshment consisted of a good drink of new milk at the large ivy covered farmhouse facing the church, before walking back to Loughboro', where several of our party had to say good-bye. Anyone pass ing us on the road home would never have believed that the demure little woman, wearing eye-glasses, and accompanicd by seven men, had just made a world's ringing record, viz., the foungest ringer of either sex to ring two peals in a day, a feat considered mighty for a man to accomplish less than 30 years ago. Hilda was born in Leicester on November 7th, 1898, weighs nine stone, of medium stature, but sturdy build, like her parents, and has totalled up nine peals since No. 1 was achieved on 12th October last, at Quorndon. Although one of the regular band at the Church of St. John, she has never been permitted to take ten-bell practice in her own town. A wash-leather covering is used on the rope end for peal attempts, and at the conclusion of her famous performance, she only complained of aching feet and lower limbs, due to prolonged standing in one position. Of a very quiet and retiring disposition, it remained for the daily press to seize with avidity an unusual opportunity for securing news matter, and the Mail " of the 9th August issued a portrait of the little lady, which, like the details of her performances, was not at all in keeping with the original.
We billeted at Loughborough for the night, and a sleeping draught was partaken of at "The Eagle"-a house known to generations as the ringers' house, and where paid engagements by the local men were ofteu mortgaged by a few tankards on trust before " going up." Loughboro' has been famous in the past for its Parish Church, dedicat ed to All Saints', a fine handsomo edifice chiefly in the decorated Gothic style, and restored by Gilbert, Scott in 1874, if I recollect the Rector's words correctly. At that time the whole level of the floor was greatly altered, thus making the chancel appear squatty. Prin cipally and not merely from a ringers' point of view, the glory of this church is its beautiful tower, surmounted by an enriched battlementecl parapet and four corner crocketted pinnacles. A feature of value to modern architects, who do not trouble nowadays to master the internal requirements of a bell tower, is the graceful group of four windows on each side of the tower, only two of which are allownd to emit sound.

THE STORY OF LOUGHBOROUGE BELLS.
All the origia: al bells-cast in 1840, tenor 24 cwt.-have been merged in a new peal, with a ienor 30 cwt., hung in an iron frame, in the year 1899, and as you may readily guess, it was quite unnecessary
to import bells in this case. One or two historical facts may be mentioned, and at the same time I would like to say how much the ringers owe to such antiquarian bell worms, as the late Thomas North, author of "The Church Bells of Leicestershire," who has collected so anuch rare information, notwithstanding his severe illness which premented active personal research.
'In the time of Edward VI the bell master at Loughboro' was obliged
to help to reng to sarvys if ned be," while in 1586 John Wever was paid 14d. by the churchwardens "for his tow dayes chardges when he went to Nottingham for them that came to prove the tune of ye bells": also "Paid for drinke that they dronke by the waye," 3d. In Edward VI's days the commissioners reported that there were five bells in the church, and a contemporary document gives a long list of the bell man's duties, which the modern steeplekeeper ought to be made acquainted with.
The churchwardens' accounts reveal a long list of payments for ropes, bell-clappers, repairs, men's travelling refreshment expenses, from 1583. The year 1586 was a great year, Loughborough people journeying to Leicester to see the bells cast. Breakfasts and suppers were charged for, the bell founder's " maids " were even given a gratuity, and the founder's men "drinke." The visitors did themselves well, for there appear four separate payments for ale consumed at a Leicester ale-house, and on the way. The five bells were made six in 1616, when the churchwardens charged:-

It: spent in giveing entertainment to the gentleman
Strangers when they came to ringe, XIs."
Tho whole peal wero recast by public subseription in 1754, by Eyre, of Kettering, and again recast and increased to eight in 1840 by Mr . John Taylor, who came from Oxford for that purpose. Here the curfew still rings every evening at eight o'clock, after which the day of the month is tolled on a smaller bell.
On Wednesday, 6th August, the last day of a brief busy holiday, was spent mostly in the bell foundry, by kind permission of Messrs. J. W. and E. D. Taylor, the present proprietors, who also permitted us to attempt a peal on their miniature ring of eight, tenor 6 cwt ., hung in a tower built in the works especially for them. We went up to sce these, and obscrved that the whole eight could be stowed inside Exetcr (tenor 73 cwt .). An hour and a quarter saw us disbanded in Stedman, and no one seemed inclined to start again with so much of interest to be seen and heard. Mr. J. W. Taylor and his sister gladly gave us a Carillon duet, some 40 bells weighing from a few pounds each up to half a ton being manipulated with dexterity and in wonderful harmony. These are also suspended in a separate tower in the garden of the chief's residence. The works were not engaged at our visit, as the holiday season applied to bell founders in Leicestershire as much as to any other occupation, but old Dick Lane was there looking as well as ever, and he rang treble for us on the midgets. You will guess the difficulty of handling it, when I tell you that the rope end of the treble when set at hand is some 3 ft . off the floor. Our conductor was excused for "permitting a change course," as be had proved so efficient in all the previous attempts. The calls of railway time-tables had to be conformed to, and a rattling ringing trip was ended by friendly "good-byes," our members agreeing that W.W. was entitled to a vote of thanks for the excellent arrangements made on loehalf of the Midland Counties Association members who were thereby
assembled.

## A STAFFORDSHIRE CYCLE RUN.

In spite of the attraction of the aeroplane race from Birmingham
back, between Messrs. Hucks and Hamel, seven members from Bloxwich, Bradley, Coseley, Rushall and Wolverhampton St. Peter, took part in a cycle run to threo towers within easy distance of WaIsall. Allridge was the first place visited. The "go "of the five bells here leaves something to bo desired, especially the treble, whose antics caused no little excitement. However, a climb up to the bells preriously had warned the ringers to be prepared to " handle " this bell, as the wheel was very loose. The Vicar (the Rer. J. F. Tarleton) came round and welcomed the party, and expressed a wish for the society's help in instructing a new band Mr. W. Griffn (Walsall), on route to tiow the race, had a ring here. The methods were: Grandsire, Stedman, and Plain Bob Doubles. On starting for Pelsall, one of the party experienced trouble with a faulty inner tube on a cycle he had borrowed. This compelled him to walk back to Walsall to join the rest at tea. In striking contrast to the tower the visitors had just left, at Pelsall, where there is a good-going ring of five, the local ringers turped up. Two of them rang half a six-score of Grandsire Doubles, time not allowing for more. On reaching Walsall, tea was provided by the Rer. E. V. Cox at his rooms.-On behalf of the visitors, Mr. H. Kuight proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Cox. After a shorb time with the handbells, Rushall tower was visited. Tiere the visitors were joined by one of the lacal band, and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Canterbury and Kent Treble Bob Minor were tapped off. A very enjoyable half-day's ringing concluded shortly before $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. It, was decided to arrange the next run to Patshull and Trysull on Ootober 4th.

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

LEICESTER-On June 27th, at St. Martin's, in honour of the induction of the new Vicar (the Rev. F. E. Nugee, M.A.), 400, 500 and 1265. Stedrian Caters by: A. Pettitt, $\mathbb{S}$. Cotton, G. Pilmore, F. H. Dexter, L. E. Allen, E Morris, T. L. Allen, C. H. Fowler, A. Martin, T. Taylor, J. Morris, J. Buttery, A. Broughton, the conductors being: C. H. Fowler, A. Pettitt and F. H. Dexter.
BELGRAVE.-On St. Peter's Day, for Morning Service, at St. Peter's. Church, on the occasion of the visit of the Mayor and Mayoress of Leicester (Councillor and Mrs. J. McCall), a quarter-peal of Grandsire. Triples: C. Hubbard 1, A. Ballard 2, G. Pilmore 3, A. J. Ballard 4, C. H. Fowler 5, E. Morris (conductor) 6, F. H. Dexter 7, H. Reeves 8.

HACKNEY.-On June 29th, at the church of St. John the Jerusalem, on the occasion of the Mayor of Hackney attending in state, a quarterpeal of Stedman Triples in 43 mins. : E. T. Wigg 1, R. N. Runham 2, D. F. Gibbons 3, R. W. Green 4, W. T. Powell 5, J. Hunt (conductor) 6, C. F. White 7, A. Riley 8.
CLENT, WORCS.-On June 29th, for Evening Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: J. Barber, junr., 1, G. Popnell 2, J. Sheriff 3, J. Barber, senr., 4, W. Shilvock 5, C. Sheriff 6, W. Short (conductor) 7, W. Boughton 8.-On August 10th, for Evening Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Miss F. Thatcher 1, Miss K. Thatcher 2, W. Short 3, C. Boughton 4, G. Popnell 5, C. Sheriff 6, J. Barber 7, W. Shilvock 8.-On August 16th, 720 Bob Minor: G. Popnell 1, J. Sheriff 2, C. Sheriff 3, F. Breakwell 4, W. Short 5, J. Barber 6.-On Sunday, August 17th, 720 Bob Major: G. Popnell 1, W. Short 2, W. Boughton 3, C. Boughton 4, W. Shilvock 5, H. Martin 6, O. Sheriff 7, J. Barber 8.

HAMMERSMITH.-At St. Paul's Church on June 29th, for Evening Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 43 mins.: G. W. Coombes Skevington (conductor) 7. W. Brooks 8
HADLEIGH, SUFFOLK.-On June 29th, for evening service, 720 of Bob Minor: C. Robinson (first 720) 1, A. Thorpe 2, E. Willis 3, T. Reed 4, A. Symonds (conductor) 5, C. Willis 6.
HURSLEX, HANTS:-On July 6th, for Morning Service, 720 BobMinor: A. Warren 1, E. Wild 2, J. Richards 3, J. A. Pannell 4, R. G. Hunt 5, W. Jones (conductor) 6.

COLNE.-At St. Bartholomew's Church, on June 23rd, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: J. P. Foulds 1, S. Lane 2, J. E. Foulds 3, \#C. Mallinson 4, H. Foukls 5, *W. H. Harrison 6, R. Foulds (conductor) 7, W. Meaton 8. * Longest lengthi in the method.
WTSBECH.-On June 24th, on handbells, 720 Bob Minor: S. E. Andrews 1-2, T. Haines 3-4, R. Narborough (conductor) 5-6.-On June 26th, 720, T. Banham 1, A. W. Wenlock 2, S. Andrews 3-4, T. Haines (conductor) 5-6. Witnesses, F. Piggins and G. Yate.-On July 1st, two 720's of Pob Minar: S. Collison 1, S. Andrews $1-2$, T Hains, $3-4, R$ Narborough (conductor) 5-6. and S. Andrews 1-2, T. Haines 3-4, S. Collison 5, R. Narborough (conductor) 6.-On Monday 7th July, two 720's Minor: S. Collison 1, A. W. Wenlock 2, S. Andrews 3-4, R. Narlorough (conductor) 5-6.-On July 10th, 720 Bob Minor: S. Andrews Collison 1, S. Andrews (conductor) 2, A. Wenlock 3, G. Piggins 4, Ralph Narborough 5-6. This was R. Narborough's 50th 720 of Minor.
ARMLEY, YORKSHIRE.-At Christ Church, for morning service, on June 22 nd. ' 96 Violet, 120 Arnold's Victory, 72 Duke of York, 120 Gity Delight, 96 Woodbine, 120 Tanner's Pleasure, 72 Oxford, 120 London Scholars, and 120 Armley Pleasure: G. Rawlings 1, J. Heckingbottom (conductor) 2, F. Gaunt 3, J. Peacock 4, M. Broadbent 5, Joscph Thackray 6
CROYDON.-On June 24th, at the Parish Chureh, a quarter-peal of Stedmar Triples: W. States 1. D. Wright (conductor) 2, C. Dean 3, J. Talbot 4, A. Clark 5, S. Roper 6, W. Groves 7, E. Pope 8. Rung for St. John the Baptist's Day
HERTFORD-At St. Andrew's Church, on June 15th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. : H. F. Akers 1, W. Irons 2, R. Dore 3, H. J. Gray 4, V. Neale (conductor) 5, A. E. Creasey 6, G. Gray 7. A. H. Akers 8. Rung with the bells fully muffled to the memory of the late Rector (the Rev. E. Killin Roberts), who was president of the St. Andrew's company, and a patron of the County Association. All the Andrews are members of the St. Andrew's band, and it was R. Dore's first quarter-peal with a bob bell.
NANTTWICH.-On June 17th, to celebrate the wndding of Niss G. Stonehewer, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles: W. Sutton (conductor) 1, Albert. Stubbs 2, W. Cookson 3. J. Wood 4, Arthur Stubbs 5, H. Stubbs 6. First attempt by the local band.
STOKE TDITH.-On June 15 th , for evening service, 960 St . Dınstan's Doubles: R. Griffiths 1, A. Vernall 2, R. Longville 3, S. Bowen 4, J. Edwarks (conductor) 5, J. Griffiths 6.

ALDRRSHOT.-At St. Michael's Church.-On Sunday, June 29th, a quarter-peal of Minor ( 360 Canterbury Pleasure and 900 Plain Bob): J. Woolacott (first quarter) 1, Corpl. G. Gilbert, R.E., 2, W. Fisher 3, H. Chaffey 4, G. Fisher (first as conductor) 5, Alf. Groucher 6.

BRIFRLEY HILL.-For Men's Service at the Parish Church on July 6th, 560 Bob Major: J. Slater 1, A. Whatmore 2. F. Caldwell 3, Gr. Guest 4, W. Potter 5, J. Bass 6, J. Iloyd 7, C. E. Perkins (conductor) 8. Rung as a farewell to C. E. Perkins, who set sail for Canada on the 12th.

## NOTICES.

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THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Sunbury, on Saturday, September 6th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea, by kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. P. C. West). -H. C. Chandler, Hon. Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at Shrewsbury on Saturday, September 6th, 1913. Ringing at St. Mary's at 3 p.m.; also at St. Michael's and, if possible, at St. Chad's, St. Julian's and St. Alkmund's during the afternoon. Service at St. Chad's Church 5 p.m.; preacher, Rev. E. V. Cox. Tea at St. Chad's Room $5 \cdot 45$ p.m. Business meeting after tea. -Rev. H. B. Beckwith, Hon. Secretary, Ridgemount, Shrewsbury.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South Western Division.The annual meeting will be held at Romford on Saturday, September 6th. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Short service at 50 'clock, followed by tea and business meeting in the Parish Hall. Several $19{ }^{2} 3$ subseriptions have not yet been received, and members will oblige by send, ing same to H. Rumens, Hon. District Secretary', 32, Verulam Avenue, Walthamstow.
NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.-The half-yearly meeting will take place at Portmadoc, on September 6th. Meeting in the Church Room at 3.15 p.m. Tea after meeting--H. Moore, Junr., Wrexham, Hon. Secretary.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-The Annual Meeting of the above will be held at Dalton-in-Furness, on Saturday, September 6th, IgI3. Bells (8) available all day. Meeting at + p.m. --Wm. Robinson, Branch Secretary.

LINCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Oldham, on Saturday, September i3th. Bells ready at 3; business meeting at 6.30. Election of Branch President and Secretary will take place at this meeting. All nominations for same to be sent in as early as possible to the Secretary, Joseph Ogden.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District.-The annual meeting of the above will be held at New Romney on Saturday, September 13th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Special service at 5 o'clock. Tea at $5 \cdot 30$, to be followed by a general business meeting for the election of officers, etc., for the ensuing year. The tea will be provided by the Association (free) to all those who signify to me their intention of being present not later than Tuesday, September 9th.-C. Tribe, Hon. District Secretary, British School Villas, Tenterden.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Eling on Saturday, September 13th. Bells from 2.30. Tea at 5 p.m.-James W. Elkins, District Secretary, 20, Culver Road, Winchester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at Horwich on Saturday, September i3th. Bells available at 5 o'clock; mecting at 7 p.m.-G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.- North and East District. - The next meeting will be held at Edgware, on Saturday, September 13th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea at $5 \cdot+5$ p.m. ; members 6 d ., non-members, 8d. All ringing friends welcome. Several subscriptions for Igr 3 are not yet to hand, and I should be glad to receive same as soon as possitlle.-C. T. Cules, Hon. Secretary. 49, Wood Street, Walthamsiow.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch. -The quarterly meeting will be held at Olney, on Saturday, September i 3 th next. Service at 3 p m. -Thos. Best, Bletchley.

WINCHESTER DHOCESAN GUILD.-A meeting of the Guildford District will be held at Godalming on Saturday, September 13 th. Bells available (8) 3 p.m. ; service 5.30 ; tea in the schoolroom 6.15. Chairman, His Worship the Mayor of Godalming. Tickets 6d. to members, is. to visitors. John J. Jones, Hon. Secretary, North Street, Guildford.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Wimborne Branch.-A quarterly meeting is to be held at Bryanston on Saturday, September 13 th. Ringing from 2.30 ; service at +30 : adidress by Rector (Rev. B. F. Pinney) ; tea at 5 in the Reading Room, followed by business meeting. Durweston tower will also be open for ringing.-C. $\bar{A}$. Phillips, Hon. Branch Secretary:

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A district meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry will be held at Ickleton on Saturday, September 13th. Tea in Schoolroom at 5•30. All ringers welcome.- $\dot{\mathrm{P}}$. Wcbb, District Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Ilchester Deanery Branch.-A meeting will be held at Yeovil on September 13th. St. John's (1o bells) available during afternoon and evening. Service at 4.30; tea and business meeting follows. A hearty welcome awaits all ringers. Will those intending to be present let me know not later than the 8th?-G. H. Head, Manor Gardens, Kingsdon, Taunton.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

 -Established 1637.-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackner, on September 16th and 3oth; St. Nagnus, Lower Thames Street, on the irth and 25th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 3oth: Southwark Cathedral on the 9th; St. Paul's Cathedral on the 16th; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays; St. Magnus, $7 \cdot 30$; the others, 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32 Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester Dis-trict.-The annual meeting of this district will be held at Borden on Saturday, September 20th. Tower open from 3.30 ; tea at the Maypole Inn at 5.30 (3d. per member will be charged), followed by business meeting. Will those who intend to partake of tea let me know not later than Tuesday, September IGth? - Edward A. G. Allen, Hon. Secretary, 77, Bill Street Road, Frindsbury, Rochester.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Northern Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Redditch on Saturday, September 20th. Service in the Parish Church of St. Stephen at 4.30 ; business meeting, and tea, kindly provided by the Vicar, at 5.30. The clection of officers for this branch will take place at this mecting. Will all those intending to be
present please let me know on or before Wednesday, Seplember $1 / 7$ th - E. I. Dowler, Branch Secretary, 9, Edward Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Southwell on Saturday, September 20th. Ringing from 2 o'clock. Service in the Cathedral at 4 . When an address to ringers will be given by the Rev. - Thomas. Committee Meeting at 4.45 , followed by tea ( $1 /-$ each) in the National Schools. Will those who intend being present for tea notify Mr H. I. Clulow, Westgate, Southwell, by Thursday, September 18th? An excursion train will leave Nottingham, M.R., at 1.57.- IV. E. White, Hon. Sec.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.-- The next meeting of this Guild will be held at W'oolton, on Saturday, September 20th. Particulars by circular.-- Rev. W. T. Bulpit and W. Bentham, Hon. Secretaries.

PEAL BOOKS.-l'rice 3s. 6d., post free, 300 pages. The first peal written in (with weather-proof ink) free of charge, if particulars of same are enclosed with order.I. Beams, Fir Tree Road, Banstead, Epsom, Surrey.

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WORK.

## THE CARE OF BELLS.

An article, which we think extremely useful, appears elsewhere in this issue, giving some very practical hints to steeplekeepers upon the care of the bells committed to their charge. Mr. Hesse speaks with a long engineering experience behind him, as well as that of a practical ringer. and for that reason his article bears the full weight of that of an expert. There are st plekeepers and steeplekeepers. Some there are, and re are happy to know they are an increasing number, who display the greatest interest in their work, and they grudge neither time nor trouble so long as the bells remain in perfect condition. On the other hand there are unquestionably many men who discharge their duties in a most perfunctory way. As Mr. Hesse says, a little grease now and again and the occasional shifting of a rope is all they consider necessary, and some trouble even less than that.

The office of steeplekeeper ought not to be treated as a sinecure. It is one in which a man can make or mar the reputation of a peal of bells, so far as, what we ringers term, their " go," is concerned. To bells, as to other things, the old adage of " a stitch in time " applies with much force, and neglect by a steeplekeeper soon brings a ring into such a condition that the attention of a bellhanger becomes necessary. This expense, or the alternative, the abandonment of ringing, can be saved by a steeplekeeper, who is assiduous in the discharge of his duties. At any rate, it puts off the need for costly renovations for years, for it must not be forgotten that even the best cared-for bells will eventually require overhauling by a bellhanger.
The important matter, however, is that in appointing a steeplekeeper, a man should be secured who will show an intelligent interest in the work, and who will be prepared conscientiously to discharge the duties. After all, the proper care of bells does not need a lot of time, so long as attention is given regularly and frequently. But while much of the neglect, where it is to be found, is due to slackness, instances arising from ignorance are often constantly found. Often a man is made steeplekeeper in a tower who has little, if any, practical knowledge of how bells should be cared for, and, be he as willing as he may to keep the ring running well, he fails to get at the cause of trouble, when it arises, particularly where heavy bells are concerned, and, consequently, things go from bad to worse. Mr. Hesse's article should prove very valuable to all steeplekeepers, and we hope the hints he gives will not only be taken advantage of at the moment, but will be carefully preserved for future reference by those responsible for the care of the bells.

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

## WOLVERHAMPTON.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUII,D.
On Saturday, Septomber 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Collegiate Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;
Tenor 33 cwt .

| - Joseph B. Fenton ... ...Treble | $\dagger$ Adolindis Roberts... |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William Short | James E. Groves |  |  |
| *Alfred J. Hessian... ... 3 | James L. Weels |  |  |
| William Fisher | Samuel Grove. |  |  |
| Thomas H. Reeves | Herbert Knight |  |  |
| John Carter | James George |  |  |
| Composed by Jo Conducted by | iln Carter, and erbert Knight. |  |  |
| * First peal of Cinques. $\dagger$ Firs peal of Cinques for the Guild. Th by the Ringing Master (Mr. James | peal of Stedman band were afterw Georse) |  |  |

## TEN BELL PEALS.

HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUII.D
(East Berks and South Bucks I3ranch and the High Wycombe and Beaconsfield Societies.)
On Wednesday, September 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAH CATERS, 5035 CHANGES;
Tȩnor 32 cwt.
Fred Hayes ... ... ...Tveble George F. Williams ... 6 Ralph Coles ... ... ... 2 Wilitam Phipps ... ... 7 John Gransbury ... ... 3 Robert H. Young... ... 8 -Cecil C. Mayne ... ... 4 †Richard Bucklavd ... 9 Edward Markham ... ... 5 P.C. Cecil Smith ... ... Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by G. F. Williams.

- First peal of Stedman Caters. †First peal. Arranged for G. F. Williams, of Hull, late of High Wycombe.

EWERBY, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Trienty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES ;
Tenor Is cwt.

William G. Thorpe ... ...Treble Sidney Proctor ... ... 6 \begin{tabular}{llll|lllll}
J. Frank Proctor \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& 2 \& Ernest Nidd ... ... \&... \& 7 <br>
John T. Holmes... \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& 3 \& William Dickinson \&.. \& 8

 

John <br>
Harry \& Thorpe \&... \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$. \& 3 \&... <br>
4 \& 4 \& Fred Turner... \&... \&... \& 9
\end{tabular} Fred Wilford ... ... ... 5 | Thomas H. Hall.... ... Tenoy Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by Sidney Proctor.

This composition, now rung for the first time, is the author's number 140 .

BEDDINGTON, SURREY THE SURREY ASSOCIATION On Saturday, September 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Tu':nty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANEES;

Joseph A. Lambert ...Tyeble| Dabid Wright... ... ... 6 Alfred H. Winch ... ... 2 William S. Smith ..... .7 Lewis Attwater ... ... 3 †Robert Grimwood ... ... 8 *Benjamin Morriss ... ... 4 †William Groves ... ... 9 Alfred Clayton ...

+ William Groves $\quad$... $\quad$... Teno

Composed by James Reeves, and
Conducted by Wil.elam S. Smith.

- First peal on ten bells. + First peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal. $\ddagger$ First peal of Royal.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Monday, September 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Parish Churce,
A PEAL OF OXFORD bOB TRIPLES, 5040 Ghanges ; J. J. Parker's Six-Part.

William A. Jeavons ...Treble $\mid$ Benjamin Godgh... arthur Baker... ... ... 2 Samuel Baker...... \begin{tabular}{ccc|cccc}
Albert E. Blundell \&... \& 3 \& William Fisher \& $\ldots$. \&... \& 7 <br>

- Wililiam A. Cooper \& $\ldots$ \& 4 \& Albert E. Law \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& Tenor
\end{tabular} - William A. Cooper ... 4 Albert E. Law Conducted by William Fisher.
* First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the 5 Ist anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. E. Nicholls, of Coseley, who for 38 years were headmaster and headmistress of the Parish Church Schools.

WIRIESWORTH, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, September 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Vartation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor If $4 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. Rev. A. T. Beeston... ...Treble Alfred C. Wright ... 5 William Taylor ... ... 2 George Bowmer ... ... 6
 Frederick Johnson ......${ }^{4}$ brian Hilditch... ....Tenor Conducted by Benjamin Greatorex.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.
THF NORWICH DIÓCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Monday, September 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
a PEAL of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes;

Vicars' Six-Part.
Tenor I4 cwt. I qr. I6 lbs. Frederick Borrett ... ...Tveble Charles Baker ... ... ... 2 Edwin Whiting ... ... ... 3 Fpetlam Reme Roop .... 6 Ernest Whiting... ... ... 4 Alfred Smith... ... .... Tenor Conducted by F. R. Borrett.

## SUTTON COLDFIELD, WARWICKSHIRE.

 THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.On Tuesday, Septenber 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Parish Church,
a PEAL OF gtenman triples, 6040 CHanges ;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
John Jennings ... ... ...Tieble Arthur Allsopp Charles Watthmay... George Roberts S $\quad . . . \quad . . .4$

Tenor $2_{4}$ cwt., in E flat. William Allsopp ... ... 5 Thomas Bloore...$\quad$... 6 Bertram G. Leedham … 7 James Reynolds ... ...Tenor Rung, with the bells muffled, as a token of deep sympathy with the Rev. Canon Barnard (Rector and Rural Dean of Sutton Coldfeld), and his family, on the death of his dearly-beloved wife, who was laid to rest on the above date, at Sutton Coldfield, amidst manifestations of the deep regret of the townspeople and many of the Rector's old parishioners from King's Norton. All the above are service ringers at this church.

## Hilling ion west, middiesex. <br> THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND I.ONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Sept:mber 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF OXFORD BOS TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 13 cwt.


SUNDERLAND, DURHAM.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, September 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Ignatius the Martyr,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Sir A. Heywood's Transposition. Tenor i3 cwt.

- George S. Taylor ... ...Tyeble Michael F. Harrison ... 5 Thomas H. Naisby ... ... 2 Joseph W. Parker... ... 6 *James Ayers $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . .3$ Robert L. Patterson ... 7 William A. Carr...$\quad$... 4 | +Villiam Oxley... ...teunt Conducted by J. W. Parker.
- First peal on eight bells, $\dagger$ First peal of Stedman. This is the first peal on the augmented ring. All the band are service ringers at this church, and the peal was rung at the third attempt.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, September 3, 1913, in Thiree Hours and Seventeen Mifimuts. At the Church of St. Padl,
A PEAL OF double norwich gourt bob major, 5024 changes ; Tenor 17 cwt . I qr.


## HEENE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, September 3, 1913, in Tžo Hours and Forty-sevfn Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Botolph,

- peal of stedman triples, 5040 chamges;

Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor iole cwt.


Conducted by E. H. Lindop.
This peal was rung on the occasion of the marriage of Miss Harvie and Mr. C. H. Vivian.

## YORINTOWN, SURREY

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, Soptcmber 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Michafl,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor I $_{5} \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Edwin J. Pannett ... ...Treble Corpl. G. Gilbert, R.E. 5
Charles Ediwards ......$\quad 2$ Ernest Newell
Alfred J. Crodcher $\quad . . .3| |{ }^{\text {George Miles ... }} . .$.

Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and
Conducted by Charles Edwards.

* First peal of Bob Major. E. J. Pannett, for whom this peal was arranged, hails from Lewes, Sussex.


## DUBLIN.

## THE IRISH ASSOCIATION

On Wednesday, September 3, 1913, in Three Howrs and Nine Minates, At the National Cathedral of St. Patrick,
a PEAL OF ERIN triples, 5040 changes;
Tenor 19 cwt.

This is the first peal in the method in Ireland, and by all.
RANMOOR, SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Seeffield District Society.)
On Wednesday, Scptember 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Evangelist,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

| John Holman | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Treble | Matrice Ward | $\ldots$ | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Richard W. Collier | $\ldots$ | 2 | Francis Ward $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 6 |  |  |
| Joseph Atkin | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | William S. Plant | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 7 | Sam Thomas $\quad . .$. Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and Conducted by Sam Thomas.

This composition has the bells reversed in 5-6 without recourse to bobs before, with 4 th, 5 th and 6th exclusively in 6th's place, and is the first to be rung on this plan. It was the first peal of Superlative on the bells and first Surprise peal by all except the ringers of treble and $4^{t h}$. The conductor has now called a peal in a different method from each bell in this tower.

BRISTOL
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, September 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGE8;
Johnson's Variation of Middleton's. Tenor i8 cwt.
Gilbert Wiltshire ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ William Stowell ... ... 5 Alfred E. Reetes $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ John Burford...... Harry Brownjohn ….. .3 J J. Howard R. Freeborn 7 George Condick, Junr. ... 4 Fred G. May ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Fred G. May.
Arranged for J. H. R. Freeborn.
BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, September 5, 1913, in Thre Hours and One Minute,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF NOLFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Albert V. Noore ... ...Treble *homas T. Gofton ... 5
Jesse J. Moss ... ... ... 2 William Lambert ... ... 6

| Charles Maso. | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$. | 3 | George W. Bemrose | ... | 7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| •Rev. A. T. Beeston | $\ldots$. | 4 | John Flint | ... | ... | ...$T e n o r$ | Composed by C. Charge, and

Conducted by J. Flint.

- First peal in the method. C. Mason was elected a member of the above Association previous to starting the peal.

CALVERLEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORIKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.
On Saturday, September 6, 1973, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Parish Church,
a Peal of rose of encland treble bob major, 5024 Chances; Tenor ro $\frac{3}{x}$ cwt.
Pratt Cordingley...
...Tyeble Edwin Wheater
*Arthur Farrer ... ... 2 Sidney Keighley
Walter Popplewele ... 3 Charles Pratt ... ... 6
Samuel Wheatley... ... 4 Fred Waller ... ... .... 7
Samuel Wheatley... ... 4 Fred Waller ... ... .... Tenor
Composed by Willam Sottanstall, and
Composed by William Sottanstall, and Conducted by Walter Poppleivell.

- First peal. First peal in the method by all the band and by a company of members of the Leeds and District Socicty.


## SWANSCOMBE, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, September 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Ninctecn Minutes. At the Churcil of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 GHANGES;

## Tenor 18 cwt., in $F$.

*Herbert A. Holden ...Tyeble William Easter ... ... 5
*Jack Burles ... ... ... 2 |Frederick M. Mitchell 6
†Goy R. Ambrose $\ldots . . . . . \quad 3$ Willidm Harper...
Frederick Hayes ... ... 4 William Haigh ... ...Tenor Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and Conducted by William Haigh.

* First peal of Treble Bob. † First peal on eight bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Fredk. M. Mitchell and W. Easter. Messrs. Haigh and Easter come from Gillingham, Holden from Meopham; Burles, Ambrose, Hayes and Mitchell from Milton-nextGravesend, Mr. Harper being attached to the local tower. For calling see K.C.A. Report for 19r2, p. 78.


## EARLS COLNE

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minates,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT, BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGE ; Tenor $\mathrm{r}_{4}$ cwt.
Frank Claydon... ... ...Treble | James Fleuty ... ... .... 5
Henry W. Kirton ... ... 2 Arthur Edwards ... ... 6

| William Keeble | ... | .. | 3 | James French ... | ... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Andrew Shufflebotham | 4 | Arthur Saunders | .. | .. | Teroy |  |  | Andrew Shufflebotham 4 Arthur Saunders .... .... Tenor Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by William Keeble.

J. Fleuty has now rung each bell in the tower to a peal.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 6, 1913, in Tuo Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road, S.E.,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Thurstans' Four-Part.
Tenor 20 cwt .

 Conducted by Bertram Prewett

* First peal in the method.


## ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Septenter 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES; Tenor $I_{5} \mathrm{cwt}$, in $G$.
Fredk. W. Richardson ...Tyeble $\begin{array}{lllllll} & \text { Frank I. Hairs ... ... } & 5\end{array}$
Isaac Emery ... ... ... 2 •Ernest B. Crowder ... 6
Edwin F. Pike ... ... $\cdots$... 3 George H. Daynes ${ }^{-. .} 7$
Frank Bennett... ... ... 4 | William J. Jeffries ...Tenor
Composed by Harry Whittle, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.
*First peal in the method.
ST. ANNE'S-ON-SEA, LANCASHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL DF KENT TREBle bOB MAJOR, 5088 Chances;

Tenor 163 c cht.
 Composed by Arthiar Knights, and Conducted by James Cotterell.
First peal of Major on the bells. All the ringers hail from MidYorkshire, and the peal was rung whilst fulfilling a kind invitation for the week-end from Mr. Maude, of Pudsey, who is spending his holiday at St. Anne's.

STANDISH, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 6, 1913, in Three Hoars and Twelve Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRAMDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE ; Aspinwall's.

| *G. W. Grounds | $\ldots$ | ...Tyeble | Fred Abbott | ... | ... | .. | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George Pincott | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | 2 | Titus Barlow | ... | ... | ... |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Walter Gorton...$\quad$... 3 William Pennington ... 7 Thomas Worsley

## Conducted by T. Barlow.

*First peal. First peal on the bells. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for the use of the bells and Mr. Grounds for providing them with such a splendid tea after the peal. The ringers of the treble and tenor belong to the local company.

## WITNEY, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Witney and Woodstock Deaneries Branch.) On Monday, September 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary the Virgin,

## A PEAL DF STEDPAAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part. Alfred H. Porling... ...Treble Albert Brooks ... ... ... 2 William Judge ...... John Monk... ... ... ... 4 George Brjoks ... ... Tenor Conducted by A. H. Pulling.
Rung to commemorate the Patronal Festival of the church.

## KEYNSHAM, SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, September 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-thvee Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MASOR, 5056 CHANGE I Johnson's Variation of Middleton's. Tenor 28 cwt. Gilbert Wiltshire ... ...Treble J. Howard R. Freeborn 5 Fred G. May ... ... ... 2 George Condick, Junr. 6 Harry Brownjohn ... ... 3 William Stowell... ... 7 Albert Stowell $. . . \quad . . .4$ Alfred E. Reeves..., ...Tenor Conducted by Fred G, May.
Arranged for Mr. J. H. R. Freeborn. First peal of Cambridge on the beils and the first in the mothod for the Bath and Wells Association.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

PETERBOROUGH.
THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. On Thurslay, Soptember 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Mitutes, Аt the Cherch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 Changes ;
Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Oxford Bob, and 720 of Plain Bob. Oswald Richardson... ...Treble Sydney J. Coleman ... ... 2 George D. Coleman.. .4


Conducted by G. D. Coleman.
Arranged for Messrs. Coleman, of St. Neots, and as a farewell to George Jutson, on his removal to Melton Mowbray.

GLASBURY, BRECONSHIRE THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Fiday, September 5, 1913, in Theee Hours and Twenty-one Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE dOUBLES, 5040 Changes;

 Tenor 15 cwt.
 Edgar R. Jones ….. .3 Conducted by E. R. Jones.

* First peal. Rung with the bells half-muffed as a last token of respect to Capt. A. Glen Kidston, of Gwernyfed, who was laid to rest on the above date in Glasbury churchyard. He was a valued friend of the Hereford Diocesan Guild.

STOKE GOLDING, LEICESTERSHIRE, THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, Septonber 6, 1913, in Two Howrs and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF WINOR, 5040 GHAMGES;
In three methods, viz. :- $\mathrm{r}, 440$ each of St. Clement's Bob and Oxford Bob, and 2,I6o of Plain Bob. Tenor ro cwt.
John Gilbert ... ... ...Treble | Thomas W. Chapman ... 4 *Rowland O. Pollard ... 2 Geoffrey J. Stoneley... 5 *Ernest Stone ... ... ... 3 E. Harry Stoneley ...Tenor Conducted by E. Harry Stoneley.
*First peal in three methods. J. Gilbert, who is only 15 years of age, was elected a life member of the Guild before starting, and this was his first attempt for a peal.

MEARS ASHBY, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Seplember 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF SHMOR, 5040 CHANGES ;
Being 720 each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor rota cwt. Arthur Chapman ... ...Treble Miss Evelyn Steel ... 4 Henry W. Gayton ... ... 2 Alfred H. Martin... ... 5 Walter Perkins ... ... 3 Charles W. Clarke ...Tenoy Conducted by Charles W. Clarke.
This is the first peal on the bells.

## HARLESTONE, NORTHANTS

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Scptenber 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Cedrch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAMGEE;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three
720 's of Plain Bob. Tenor 21 cwt.
J. Worley Craddock ...Treble

Herbert Rainbow

Thomas Law ... ... ... 3 Conducted by Fred Hopper.
Quickest peal on the bells. Great credit is due to the ringer of the 2nd, this being his first peal with a bob bell, and previously he had never rung a 120 in either Oxford or Kent.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

LEISTON. SUFFOLK
THE NORVICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,
On Tuesday, Siptomber 2, 1913, in Two Hours mud Cight Minutes, In the Vestry of St. Margas 2's Cumo...
a PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 GHANGES;
James M. Bailey ... ... I- $^{2} \mid$ Charles F. Bailey ... 5-6 Ernest S. Bailey... ... $3-4$ Charles Sampson......
Composed by C. H. Hattersley, and Conducted by C. F. Bailey. Umpire: Allen F. Bailey.
Rung as a birthday cumpliment to C. Sampson. It was also his rooth peal.

## SOUTH ANSTON.

THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, September 3, 1913, in One Hour and Fifty nine Minutes, In tee Belfry of St. James' Church,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 Ghances:

Being 720 each of Munden, Morpeth, Newcastle, Chester, Whilley, Northumberland and Carlisle, was tapped on handbells b;

John Segar, Junr., of Retford.
Umpires and Witnesses: C. F. Fowler, H. Stento, S. Suit ' of South Anston, and H. Haigh, of Worlsop, and Mr. J. Segb, Senr., some portion of the time.
This is the first peal tapped in seven Surprise methods.

## BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLI.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION and The st. Janies' Society.
On Thursday. September 4. 1913, in Tizo Hours and Twitue Minutes,
In the Belfry of the Norman Tower,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Frederick G. Dewell... 1 -2 $\mid$ Frank J. Levitt ... ... 5 - 6 Harry A. Turner ... ... 3-4 Alfred Ely ... ... ... 7-8 Composed by N. J. Pitstow, and Conducted by F. G. Dewell. Umpire: William Goodship.

## FOR THE STEEPLE KEEPER. <br> SOME USEFUL HINTS ON THE CARE OF BELLS AND FITIINGS.

Dear Sir,-I have been asked, from time to time, by some of my ringing friends to write an article on the care of Church Bells.
The following few notes I hope may be of some use, and I offer them for what they are worth. There are many competent steeple keepers who are fully conversant with all the points to which I allude, but there are also many cases in which a man is appointed to take charge of a peal of bells who has not had previous experience, and I trust this may be of use to some.-Yours Yery truly,

JOHN H. B. HESSE.
The majority of steeple keepers and ringers think that, if they have peal of bells hung on up-to-date principles, with cast-iron headstocks and iron frames, bolted down to steel girders, they do not require to give any attention except to lubricate the main bearings, and sometimes shift a rope up or down an inch, and, later on, splice it. This is not quite the case, for no matter how good the job is, and how careful the bell hanger has been in his work, muts will slack back. For instance, old bells that have been rehung in iron stocke, and have had the cannons cut off, have a wooden pad fitted on the crown between the stock and the bell, and, no mattor how well this fits the crown, it is found to shrink; therefore, the nuts on the bolts that hold the bell to the stock require pulling up according to the amount of ringing that is done and shrinkage that takes place in the wooden pad. The wood pad will form its own bearing on the usually roughish surface of the crown, and while it is doing this the nuts are getting slack. Split pins are fitted to keep these nuts from coming off, and they usually do it, but I have had it said to me that the nuts" cannot come off or get. loose, as split pins are fitted. But split pins do not keep the nuts tight, as shrinking takes place below them.

## BOLTS AND NUTS.

Too much care cannot be exercised in tightening up a bell on the stock, and to pull up all the uuts equally. If one side is pulled up more than another the bell gets false struck. This is often the case (especially with wooden stocks, with which I will deal later), but it is easy to rectify. Mold a straight-edge up to the bell mouth, and on one end that protrudes beyond the bell place a spirit level. This will prove if a bell is true on the stock. If it does hang true, next find out if the clapper hangs central, by measuring from each side of the clapper ball to the edge of the bell-care being taken not to disturb the clapper in measuring from side to side. If the bell is true on the stock, and the clapper is true in the bell, it follows that the clappering will be true.

The bolts and nuts that hold the wheel to the stock, and hold the two halves of the wheel together are frequently neglected, which means that the wheel gets, to an extent, loose on the stock, and the lower half drops away from the upper; these nuts should be kept tight. Where an iron frame is mounted on a wooden foundation (which I am glad to say is rare) the connecting bolts and nuts ought to receive attention continually, to allow for the shrinking of the timber, until the nuts will pull up no more. This tightening should always be done in the hot, dry weather. It is easy to think that a nut is up tight when it will turn no more, but it is not always the case. It may be rusted solid to the bolt; if so, use paraffin and soak it well before trying to shift it. A nut may also be screwed down to the end of the thread before it is home on its face; in this case take the nut off and use washers to make up the space.
Where wooden stocks are fitted, too much care cannot be paid to the four bolts at each end of the stock that hold the gudgeon shields in position, and to make sure that they are tight. But there is a right and wrong way to do this. When a bell is down, the natural tendency is for the gudgeon to tip upwards, and in screwing up the nuts of the gudgeon shields the two inside pairs., i.e., the pairs nearest the centre of the stock, should be screwed up first, and screwed tighter than the two outside pairs, in order to keep the gudgeons as true as possible. If these bolts are allowed to get slack the result generally is that one or more of these bolts shear off: but before this happens a bell is sure to go badly.

## LUBRICATION

The gudgeons are not the only parts that need attention in this respect. The rollers and crown staple pins on which the clapper swings seldon get the attention that they should. It makes a big difference to the "go" of the bell if the rollers are kept well oiled, considering the speed it has to run. It is also advisable to keep the slides free by using either grease or black lead, especially on the light end of a peal, where the slider is working continually owing to the small bells having to be rung very high; the sliders then are continually on the move. In the case of Hastings stays, the sides of the runners should be kept greased. Grease on the crown staple pin will often keep a clapper from rattling as well as make it swing freely. Sometimes it is very difficult to get the main bearings to hold the oil as they shonld This is in some cases due to the fact that the brass has an open space of about $1 / 32$-inch on the bottom, left there on purpose to drive in a chisel to lift the brass out of the cast-iron
plumber block, and it is through this space I have known the oil to rum away. This can be cured in some cases by forcing down a piece of hard grease at the front of the brass, below the gudgeon, to form an oil-tight bottom between the brass and the plumber block.

All oil and grease that collects on the sound bow of the bell that may drop from the bearings should be wiped off, as it deadens the sound. If at any time the gudgeons get cut in rings from grit or some foreign matter, the bell should be lifted, and gudgeons lapped with emery cloth until the rings or cuts disappear, and the brasses be scraped out and relined. But this, in most cases, is a job for a competent bell hanger.

## WASHBROOK'S " SURPRISE PRINCIPLE."

 To the Editor.Dear Sir,-Neither Mr. Washbrook nor Mr. Hibbert lave graspeck the real meaning of the statement made by the members of the Methods Committee about the system produced by Mr. Washbrook, and rung at Caversham, and from what I hear from various parts, thero seems to be considerable misunderstanding about the work which is being done by the committee.

We are simply trying to reduce the various systems from a condition of wikl confusion to one of order, and when we say that Mr. Washbrook's system is asymmetrical, and, therefore, not legitimate, that it is not a principle, and not Surprise, we are not passing judgment upon it al all. We should equally saly that what is rung as Stedman Triples is not legitimate and not Surprise; and all of us go on ringing it just the same. The practical question, "Is this system worth ringing?" can only be answered by practice; if it is really good it will live, and if it is not, it will dic, but if it is good and lives, that will not make it legitimate, a principle, or Surprise. These words have already got meanings, and to call it a Surprise Principle is only to go back into the confused phraseology of the past, which is just what we wish to escape from
Mr. Washbrook's system is a system of producing clanges upon eight bells, i.e, a Major system which is neither a principle, nor a method, but somelhing more complicated than either, and it should have a name which will indicate this fact.
Surfleet.
H. LAW JAMES.

## HEREFORD GUILD'S LOSS. DEITH OF CAPT. GLEN KIDSTON.

There are some laymen who are of as much value to the Exerciso as the ringers themselves. One such was Capt. A. Glen Kidston, of Gwernyfed, who took the keenest interest in ringing, and particularly in the affairs of the Hereford Diocesan Guild, of which he was a generows supporter. His death, which took place last week, will be deeply regretted by ringers in that part of the country, and he will be sadly missed by the Guild. It was Capt. Kidston who instituted the annual competition for ringers in the Hereford Diocese and gave the cup and medals awarded to the winners.

Last Friday, on the occasion of the funeral at Glasbury, the local band rang a peal of Grandsire Doubles with the bells half-muffled, and the same evening, at St. Mary's, Brecon, a quarter-peal of Stodman Triples was rung in 46 minutes, by: S. Watkins 1, W. Hargest 2, G. Giblin 3, R. Kincey 4, G. Hardwicke 5, W. A. Fletcher 6, Wm. Evans (conductor) 7, W. Grifiths 8.
On Sunday, the bells were again half muffled, when, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Erin Triples, the first in the method by the band, and the first ever rung the county, was brought round in 47 mins. For evening service, a cuarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 49 minutes, the ringers who took part being: S . Watkins, G . Hargest, G. Giblin, R. Kinsey, G. Hardwicke, A. Mathews, C. Beach, W. A. Fletcher, S. Brookes, W. Livans (conductor), C. Powell and

## SHOREDITCH BELLS.

Kingers are requested to note the following dates: October 30th, concert at the Shoreditch Town Hall in aid of the "Bells Fund," chair to be taken by the Mayor at 8 o'clock: November 3rd, re-dedication' of the bells at $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.. the Mayor and Borough Council will attend; November 8th, in the afternoon, opening of the bells and tea in the Parish Room; short service and an address by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge. All ringers will be invited to these events. A fuller announcement will be made later.
Will all old ringers who have rung on Shoreditch bells, please communicate with Mr. H. J. Bradley, Parish Church, Shoreditch, with a view to having a photo taken with the bells.

## C. SAMPSON'S 100 PEALS.

On tower bells: Bob Minor, 6, conducted, 1; Stedman Triples, 1; Bab Major, 4; Kent Treble Bobr Major (including 7008), 22: Oxford Troble Bob Major, 4; Double Norwich Major (including 11,040), conductes 22 ; Double Oxford Major, 1; Superlative Surprise Major, 18; Cambridge Surprise Major, 13; New Cambridge Surprise Major, 4. On handbells: Bob Major, 1; Kent Treble Bob Major, 3; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 1 ; total, 100.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

## S.W. DIVISION ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual mecting of the South Western Division of the Essex Association was held at St. Andrew's, Romford, on Saturday, when about 20 members were present. Touches in several methods were rung before the service, at which the Vicar of Romford delivered a short and appropriate address. The service was followed by tea and business meeting, held in the Parish Hall, by the kindness of the Viear. The Master of the Association (Mr. C. II. Howard) was in the chair, supported by the Vicar of Romford, and the general secretary (the Rev. II. T. W. Eyre). Mr. H. Cantor, of Clapton, was elected a nonresident ringing member, and the election of Mr. W. Billenness, prior to a peal at Romford, was confirmed.
A letter received from Mr. Black, the Master of the Division, who was unavoidably absent, was read. He regretted his inability to be present, and adfled that as he felt he could no longer afford the time to look after the interests of the division as a Master ought, he begged the members to elect someone else in his place.-With much regret the members accepted Mr. Black's resignation, and wished heartily to thank him for his valuable services rendered in the past-Mr. F. J. Butler, of Chadwoll Heath, was unanimously elected to fill the oflice of Master for the year 1914, and the hon. secretary (Mr. H. Rumens) again accepted the invitation to resume the duties for another year.

Wanstead was selected as the place for the next meeting, which will take place early in the New Year.-A rote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, for the service, and use of the Parish Hall for the tea and meeting.-Afterwards the ringers again ascended the tower, and some excellent ringing was indulged in to a late hour

## A LIVELY MEETING AT HARLOW.

A meeting of the North-Western district of the Essex Association was held at St. Mary's, Harlow, on Saturday week, 29 members being present from Har!o: St. Mary's, Harlow Common, Stansted, Saffron Walden, Bislop's Stortford, Great Totham, Boreham, Romford, Ilford and Hull. The Rev. J. B. Andrewes kindly provided tea at the Parish Institute, and the business meeting followed. The chair was taken br Mr. V. Pitstow, district inaster, who was supported by the Vicar (the Rev. J. B. Andrewes), the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre (hon. secretary of the Association), and Mr. W. WYatts (district secretary). Bishop's Stortford was proposed for the next amual meeting.

A long discussion arose upon the minntes of the previous meeting, held at Saffron Walden on April 19th, with regard to a bye-meeting which it had been decidnd to hold at Elmdon. It had been resolved that a brake shouk be engaged at Stansted to meet the ringers from Walken at Wembdon. The Master (Mr. C. H. Howard) and the General Secrelary were botli present at this meeting, and supported the proposal, but, it was explained, whan tha district secretary informed the general secrelary of the meeting having been arranged, the latter replied that he should have to refuse grants in aid of the brake this year, as the printers bill was exceptronally heavy, and he did not want the Association to be landed in a deficiency.
The members failed to see where the sceretary and master had power to rescind what had been passed at a district meeting, and freely roiced their opinions.-Mr. W. Prior spoke in favour of the bye-meting being held at Elmon to encourage the young members to join the Asscciation.-The Rev. J. B. Andrewes proposed, and Mr. J. F. Penning seconded, a motion that this bye-meeting should be postponed till next year.-Mr. F. Pitstow, junr., however, moved, and Mr. W. Prior seconded, an amendment that the bye-meeting should be held this year, and that a brake should be provided from the funds of the Association.-The amendment was carried bs seven votes to two.
The Rev. H. T. W. Eyre proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the belle. and for kindly providing tea. The Vicar retumed thanks, and said he was always pleased to welcome the members of the Association to Harlow.
Touches in the following inethods were rung during the day: London and Superlative Surprise, Stcelman and Grandsire Triples.

## OFFICIALS' POWERS QUESTIONED.

## Tr the Eiditor.

Sir.-A good deal has been said at different district meetings of the Jissex Association about missionary work in the villages, and, according to the views held by the master, this is one of the chief objects
of the Association. At the district mecting, held at Saffron Wralden, of the Association. At the district mecting held at Saffron Walden, in April, a resolution was carried that a bye-meeting should be held at Elmdon, and that a brakr should be provided for the conveyance of those wishing to atten-1, the master and general secretary speaking in farour of this proposal. Notice of this meeting was sent to the ringers of Flmdon, and Mr. Wilkes (an hon. member) was also communicated with, and intimatod that he would be pleased to entertain tho visitors. When everything was arranged, the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre wrote to the district scerchary to say that the brake could not be provided on account of great expenses incurred in printing, ete. At the meeting at. Harlow on Saturday week, Mr. Fyre was asked to explain
the matter, and he said that after he got Mr. Watts' letter he saw the Master and the two auditors, and they came to the conclusion that the Association could not afford it, the funds not being in a very flourishing condition. This caused a great deal of argument, members wanting to know why two or three persons should be in a position to veto a resolution carried at a meeting of nearly 40 members, a good many of these being prominent ringers of the Ascociation. The question, and one which should be settled at the next annual meeting, is how and when did these persons have this power? If they have it, what use are the district meetings (which entail considerable ex pense to the members attending and which are supposed to manage the business of the division) if the work is liable to be undone by others belonging to other parts of the county?

A BOB MTMRER.

## SCHEMES THAT WENT "AGLEY." <br> DISAPPOINTMENTS FOR IPSWICH MEN

As "Robbie" Burns said, "The best laid schemes o' mice an' men gang aft agley," and this the St. Nary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich, found very true, to their cost, on the occasion of their annual outing, which took place on Saturday. It had been arranged to visit Cambridge and attempt a peal of Stedman Cinques at Great St. Mary's Church, but on Friday the secretary received a tclegram from Canon Abbott to say ringing was impossible owing to illness near the church. This upset, things rather, and the telegraph was put into operation to see if any other twelve-bell tower could be obtained, and eventually permission was secured, through Mr. Denison Hayward, for a peal attempi at Yarmouth. So at the last moment plans were changed, and Yar. mouth was decided upon. The party numbered 17, and when they left Ipswich shortly before $9 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. the weather looked very unpromising for a seaside trip, but before the destination was reached the rain had cleared off, and it remained fine for the rest of the day. Arrived at Yarmouth, the party at once made for the church, where Mr. D. Hayward was waiting, and the visitors were informed that the peal attempt could be made at 2.30 . This provided two or three hours in which to have a look round, and enjoy some of the many attractions for which Yarmouth is famous. The party met again at 1 p.m. for dinner, which was "well and truly " disposed of. Afterwards they adjourned to the church, but again disappointment was in store, for as they were stripping preparatory to the peal, a message came to say they were not to start till after 3 o'clock owing to a funeral at that hour. This knocked all thoughts of a peal on the head, for the return train left at 7.0 p.m., and to ring a peal of Stedman Cinques and catch a train in $3 \frac{3}{4}$ hours is bordering on the impossible. The visitors, therefore, contented themselves with two short touches. After this they went to Gorleston-on-Sca by the river steamer, and had a stroll round this pretty seaside village, and eventually, after a walk of-soms said it might be twenty miles, but perhaps it wasn't more than two or three came to the church where there is a nice peal of six. Permission to ring having been obtained, several touches were brought round by those who had not previously rung there. Yarmouth was reached again in time for tea, which, with appetites increased by the sea air, was much enjoyed. The party left Yarmouth by the last train, and Ipswich was reached at 8.50 p.m., after what turned out, to be a very enjoyable day, which, if not memorable for the ringing accomplished, and towers rung at, as some "Tower" outings have been, will at least be remembered by ita worst feature-its disappointments.
C.J.S.

## MORE WONDERFUL TAPPING.

## MR. J. SEGAR'S LATEST PERFORMANCE

Mr. J. Segar, junr., of East Retford, Notts, has just oompleted another wonderful tapping performance. In the presence of competent witnesser, he has successfully tapped seven 720's in Surprise methods, and the achievement, of course, constitutes another record of a remarkable nature. Mr. H. Haigh, hon. sec. of the North Notts Association, who was one of the umpires, writes as follows concerning the peal:-
On September 3rd, I had the pleasure, along with Messrs. Anston, of witnessing a very brilliant performance handbell tapping by $\overline{M r}$. J. Segar, junr. Commencing at 6.42 p.m., the seven Surprise Minor methods (Munden, Morpeth, Newcastle, Chester, Whitley, Northumberland and Carlisle) were tapped by Mr. Segar in 1 hr .59 mins., the last 720 being brought round at 8.41 p.m. The lead ends of each 720 were pricked out, and the bobs marked, each of which Mr. Segar called. These were checked, as the ringing proceeded, by myself and Mr. Fowler. I watehed particularly the working of the tenor and treble in each method; and the course ends ran up in just under three minutes.
As a further proof of genuineness, a gentleman, who came into the belfry immediately the performance was finished, questioned Mr Segar's ability to remember the whole of the course ends, and thi calling of each 720 , but he went away satisfied that the peal mas a genuine performance, for Mr. Segar volunteered to recite or transpose row by row any of the 720's the visitor chose. After a recital, change by change of a number of these in Carlisle Surprise, "stand " was called, at the request of all present, and all went home with the knowledge and satisfaction that the 5040 was a most unique performance.

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## BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS.NEWCASTLE.

By J. R. Jerram.

At the present time St. Nicholas' Cathedral possesses a magnificent modern peal of ten bells, with a tenor of $37 \frac{1}{\text { c }}$ cwt. ; besides the great bell, known as the "Major," weighing 5 tons 18 cwt . All were cast by Messrs. Taylor \& Co., Loughborough, in 1892, and bear the following inscriptions:


Newcastle Cathedral.

## Treble.

- COME Let us sing Unto the lord.

Second.
WE PRAISE THEE, O GOD.
Third.
O, ALI, YF, WORKS OF THF LORD, BLESS IE THE LORD. Fourth.
BI.ESSED BE THE LORD GOD OF ISRAEL.-I MARK THE PASSIVG HOURS.

Fijth.
O, BE JOYFUL IN TEIE LORD, ALL YE LANDS.--I MARE TIIE PASSING HOURS.

Sixth.
MY SOUL DOTI MAGNIFY THE LORD.--I MARK THE DASSING HOURS.

Seventh.
O SING UNTO THE JORD A NEW SONG. Eighth.
LORD NOW LETTEST THOU THY SERVANT DEPART IN PEACE.

Ninth.
GOD BE MERCIFUT, UNTO US AND BLESS US.-I MARK THE PASSING HOURS. Tenor.
THIS PEAL OF TEN BELLS IS THE JOINT GIFT OF THE CORPORATION OF NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE AND JOHN HALL ESQ. J.P. OF TIE SAME CITY; WM. SUTTON ESQ. MAYOR ; BEN. J. SUTHERLAND, ESQ. SHERIFF; A. T. ITLOYD, D.D. VICAR; A. J. ROBINSON, H. THOMPSON, T. BLENKINSOP, AND A. H. DICKENSON, WARDENS,
I892. I892.

## The Major.

PURCHASED FOR TEE CLOCK TO STRIKE UPON AGREEABLY TO THF WILL OF GEO: ANDERSON, ESQ. 1833. ORIGINALLY CAST AT THE FOUNDRY OF SIR R. S. HAWKS AND Co BY JAMES HARRISON OF BARTON-ONHUMBER, NOVEMBER 23RD, 1833. RECAST IN THE YEAR r89 AT THE EXPENSF OF AIDERMAN T. G. GIBSON, ESQ. T.P., OF THIS CITY, BY J. TAYLOR \& CO OF LOUGHBOROUGH. "TIME FLIES."
$\square$ [Arms of Major Anderson on the waist,--Or, a chevron gules, charged with three acorns, between three hawk's heads erased.]

The clock chimes the Cambridge quarters on the fourth, fifth, sixth, and ninth, and strikes the hour on the Major.
As regards the old bells, the original peal seems to have been five in number. The tenor was originally cast in I593, and was cracked and recast at Colchester in 1515, and again in 1622. In 1754 she again became cracked, and was recast in London by Lester and Pack, but proving faulty was again recast, and was rung for the first time on New Year's Day, I755; the weight was then a little over 30 cwt.; she was usually known in those days as the "Common Bell." The peal was augmented to six in 1658, and to eight in 1717 . Before being recast in 1892 the bells bore the following inscriptions:

Tveble.
Ralph Reed, Esqr., Mayor, Francis Tohson Sherif, R. Phelps, Londini Fecit, $\mathrm{s}_{7} 7$.

Second.
[The same as on the treble.]
Thivd.

+ WHEN • THIS •TOWRE•E COVRT•TO•THIS. HEIGHT • YOW [end of first line] [below is]
 on the waist is the Newcastle arms,-Gules, 3 castles, or, with 2 sea horses as supporters.]
Many conjectures have been made as to the meaning of this inscription; but no satisfactory explanation bas as yet been arrived at. The lettering is perfectly clear, and there is no difficulty in deciphering it. Probably the " $\subseteq$ " between "towre" and "covrt" is used for " $\&$."


## Fouvth.

+ Dutis O Sista O Mectis O Uampana O \#ocor O 卵ichactis $\square$
The stops between the words are medallions representing two birds sitting on a tree, and ound the border " William ffounder me fecit." The mark of William Dawe, founder. The shields on the crown bear a chevron between three lave-pots.


## Fifth.

Thonas Mears late Lestrr Pack \& Chapman of London Fecit, ifgr.

## Sixth. <br> + O mater dia me $\times$ wana + birga + maris. $\cdot[][][]$ [Figures:-The Virgin Mary and Holy Child.-A lily in a vase.-A nun.] <br> Seventh. <br>  $\times$ jpramang. $\dagger$ [Ornaments between words, a floriated letter ess,-a quatrefoil surmounted by a cross,-a plain cross,- <br> a Latin cross intersecting a St. Andrew's cross.] Tenor. <br> $\downarrow \downarrow$ CUTHBERT SMITHESON, ESQR., MAYOR, WILLIAM ROWELL, ESQR., SHERIFF, I754. THOS. LESTER \& THOS. PACK FECIT.

The old Major was inscribed cast at the foundry of sir robert shafto hawis \& co., gateshead, by james harrison of barton-Upon-humber, novr. 23, 1833. [Arms of Anderson as on present bell.] purchased for the clock to strike upon agreeably to the will of george anderson esquire, 1833.
The old bell was a very poor one, though a great deal of fuss was made when it was cast; and James Harrison, the founder, was drawn round the town inside the bell, which was inverted for the purpose, before it was hoisted to its place in the steeple. When the present peal was put up, the three old "black-letter" bells (4th, 6th and 7th), were hung in the upper part of the steeple.

The old third was purchased by a local antiquarian, and now hangs at Langley Castle. If any of your readers could suggest a possible interpretation of the inscription, which is perfectly legible, it would be of great interest to many antiquarians.

The translation of the three Latin inscriptions is as follows: (fourth) "I am of sweet sound, and am called Michael's bell;-(sixth) "O Virgin Mary, divine mother, save me";-(seventh) "I am Nicholas rejoicing, sending forth melody for all."

## ODD CHANGES.

When the first peal is rung on the new ring of ten at Surfleet we understand the method will be something of a novelty. The Rev. H. Law James is nothing if not original, and his originality will probably show itself in this case. We must wait and see.

The Sutton Coldfield ringers have lost a good friend by the death of the Rector's wife. Since Canon and Mrs. Barnard have been at Sutton Coldfield they have frequently entertained the ringers, and Mrs. Barnard has said it was
" a real pleasure to her to have the ringers at the Rectory, for she dearly loved the bells." Formerly Canon and Mrs. Barnard were at King's Norton, and parishioners from that town united with those of Sutton Coldfield in their expressions of regret at the sad bereavement which has overtaken the Rector. On the occasion of the funeral a muffled peal of Stedman was rung by the Sunday service ringers.

A prominent Surrey ringer, Mr. F. Holder, of Carshalton, has suffered a severe bereavement by the death of his wife, and on Monday week, the day on which the deceased was interred, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at All Saints' Church with the bells half muffled, by members of the Carshalton and Beddington towers, of both of which Mr.

Holder is a member. The quarter-peal was from Holt's Original, and was brought round in 50 minutes by: W. Buck r, H. Daniels 2, A. Boxall 3, G. W. Heather 4, A. J. Perkins 5, J. Wignell 6, A. Clayton (conductor) 7, A. Brindle 8.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. S. T. Wright, leader of the ringers of St. Uswald's Church, West Haitlepool, who passed away early on Sunday morning after a fortnight's illness. The deceased is a well-known member of the Durham and Newcastle Association, and the news of his death will be received with grief by his fellow members.

The opening of the new ring of twelve bells at Chelmsford Cathedral will take place, as announced, on Saturday, September 27 th. Mr. H. F. Cooper, County Offices, Chelmsford, will be glad to hear from a!! those members who are likely to stay the night in Chelmsford, so that ringing may be arranged both for Saturday night and Sunday. Towers open: Chelmsford (I2) Boreham (8), Galleywood (8), Widford (8), Writtle (8), Great Waltham (8).

With many people the practical side of ringing, what, indeed, is really rope sight, is quite a gifi. At Harlestone, Northants, last Saturday, Joseph C. Deene rang his first peal with a bub bell. It was a peal in three Minor methods, including Kent and Oxford Jreble Bob. Yet Mr. Deene had never rung 120 in either of these before starting for the peal. It is wonderful how some people "tumble" to a method directly they pull off in it.

Congratulations to the Warwickshire Guild upon its first peal of Cinques. This was scoued at Wolverhampton last Saturday, and was, we hear, a splendidly-struck one from start to finish. We can imagine how the breast of the worthy Ringing Master swelled with pride upon the achievement. Mr. James George never does things by halves, and having rung the tenor well, he entertained the band well at the conclusion of the peal.

With reference to the footnote to peal of Caters at Hillingdon recorded in our last issue, we are asked to state that it was not the first rung by W. Lawrence. He took part in peals of Caters more than twenty-four years ago with the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, Messrs. J. W. Washbrock and G H. Phillott, etc., and recorded in the Oxford Diocesan Guild peal book. His first peal (No. 241) was rung at Abingdon, Berks, on June Ifth, 1889 .

## LEWES RINGERS ENTERTAINED.

On Wednesday week the members of the Southover, Lewes, Guild, together with a few friends, wore entertained by Mr. J. T. Rickman, one of the vice-presidento, and a most enthusiastic member of the Sussex Association. Ringing took place at the Parish Church in the afternoon, and tea followed at the King's Head. Subsequently, Mr, J. R. Lusted (churchwarden and vice-president of the Guild) proposed a rote of thanks to Mr. Rickman, and this was heartily carried. The belfry was again visited, and touches in various methods brought round Returning to headquarters, the company spent the remainder of the evening in harmony, those present including Messrs. J. T. Rickman, J. R. Listed, K. Hart and A. D. Stone (Brighton), J. Fiest and E. Bish (Ditchling), IR. J. Dawe (Seaford). A. J. Turner, F. Sturt, W Pelling, D. Turner, J. Ward, G. Richardson, G. Moppett, elc.
On the preeding Sunday afternoon, on the occasion of the christening of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Sturt, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung by: R. Hide 1, E. J. Pannett 2, F. S. Surt 3, W. Pelling 4, G. II. Sturt 5, J. T. Rickman 6, A. J. Turner rconductor) 7, D. Turner 8.


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## SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.

## MEETING AT WORKSOP.

The September meeting of the Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society was held on Saturday at Worksop, the bells of the Priory Church, a musical ring of eight, with a 12 cwt . tenor, being, through the kindness of the Vicar (the Rev. G. J. A. D'Arcy, M.A.) at the disposal of the members throughout the afternoon and eveling. The opening touch of Stedman Triples was splendidly rung, so well, in fact, that it somewhat distracted the attention of those, the writer included, who were quietly admiring the ancient ruins of a portion of the old Priory. With the exception of a halfhour's service from 6.30 to 7 , during which a majority sought out the various tea rooms, the bells were fully employed, touches, of necessity only brief, being the order of the presiding genius. They included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob, Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise Major, and some Minor, including Plain Bob, London Scholars' Pleasure, and Cambridge Surprise.

Without actually counting the number present, the estimate was put at 50 , this being probably rather under than orer the actual attendance, which was made up by members from the following towers: Anston, Beighton, Bolsover, Chesterfield, Dore, Eastwood (Rotherham), Eckington, Gainsboro', Misterton, Norton, Ranmoor, Rotherham Parish Church, Sheffiedd Parish Church and Staveley. The bells were lowered at nine o'clock, and a brief business meeting was held in the tower, Mr. H. Haigh presiding. The usual votes of thanks were put and carried with something more than mere mechanical obedience, and Mr. Haigh, in responding, mentioned the pleasure it gave the Worksop company to have such a large gathering at their particular meeting.

The handbells were pressed into service with some courses of change runging, while tunes were rendered by Messrs. Burgar and Evinson, whose performance received the warm approbation of a large audience. Needless to say, the artists did not manipulate, four-in-hand, the larger bells, an octave of which would not be out of place-in regard to size -as milking pails.-The meeting proved a most enjoyable one.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

A monthly meeting of the Devizes branch was held at Erlestoke, on Saturday, and the afternoon being fine, a good number of ringers assembled at this most picturesque old-world village. The bells of St. Sariour's Church were raised just after three o'clock, and Bob Singles and Grandsire Doubles were freely indulged in until tea was served at the George and Dragon Inn, where, through the kind liberality of Mr. G. Watson-Taylor, of Frlestoke Park, a capital spread was provided, to which 27 ringers sat down.
The Rev. J. A. Sturton, Vicar of Market Lavington, occupied the chair, and was supported by the hon. branch secretary, Mr. II. Brownlee West. Amongst the company were the Rer. II. E. Tilney-Bassett (Master of the Guild), Mr. G. Watson-Taylor (churchwarden of Erlestoke), the Rev. E. C. Alexander (Vicar of Edington), and the Rev. C. J. Sturton (Vicar of Orston, Notts), together with ringing members from Great Cheverell, Potterme, Edington, Erlestoke, Devizes, Swindon, Southbroom, Poulshot, Market Lavington and Beechingstoke. The business part of the meeting was soon got over, a hearty vote of thanks being accorded to Mr. G. Watson-Taylor for his kindness.-The Churchwarden jesponded, and invited the members to walk through his park. Another rote of thanks to the three Vicars of Erlestoke, Edington and Bration respectively for the use of the bells was passed, and responded to by the Rev. E. C. Alexander.

The company dispersed, some going on to Edington Church, where the heavy ring of bells were put in motion, and a good touch of Grandsire Doubles rung. Others returned to the Erlestoke tower for more ringing, and also a good practice on the handbells; whilst others were rery kindly conducted by Mr. Watson-Taylor through his beautiful park, gardens, and mansion, where they were shown lovely plants and flowers, pictures, curiosities, etc., and enjoyed their visit of inspection very much. The meeting was most successful and enjoyable.

## CAVERSHAM RINGERS' OUTING.

The members of the St. Peter's Society, Caversham, held their annual outing on Saturday week, when they visited London. From Paddington they journeyed by train to the famous tower of Fulham, where permission had been given to ring for a short time. The visitors were kindly met by Mr. J. W. Driver, and the bells were soon set going to Stedman Caters, Treble Ten, Double Norwich, and, last, but not least, the " despised " method of Mr. J. W. Washbrook. The - go " and tone of the bells were greatly admired. Service stopped
the ringing, which was all too short. The party then adjourned to tea, at which two or three of the local company joined them. Afterwards the visitors dispersed-some to meet friends, others making for the city. The Hippodrome was invaded later, and a capital progranme was enjoyed, after which the homeward journey was commencel, Reading being safely reached at 1 a.m., everyonc having thoroughly enjoyed himself. The St. Peter's Socicty, through the medium of "The Ringing World," wish to thank all those who contributed towards making their outing a success.

## MEETING THE IRISH.

## A LIVERPOOL GATHERING.

On Saturday during the wee sma' hours of the mornin', I was wandering round the stacks of buildings in Manchester endeavouring to discover the redoubtable Mr. Harry Chapman. Having only just arrived in the city from Scotland accounts somewhat for the chip of the language that was left within me. After much searching and many disappointments, I at last perceived him in the distance approaching; a figure nuch in evidence in Manchester. Shaking my hand heartily and according a greeting, I was asked for my programme in the afternoon, I replicd that nothing was booked except to follow the mowd to a contest in the shape of a football match and shout my hardest, to which he retorted that he had a better scheme than that. "What say you," says he, " to train over to Liverpool to meet our Irish friends from St. Patrick's, Dublin, who are coming over to ring at St. Nicholas', Liverpool?"' I readily acquieseed and felt pleased with the prospects of visiting the dear old city and renowing acquaintances with the Irish party. After satisfying the noonday cravings of the inner self, we adjourned to the kitchen garden, and adorned ourselves with a buttonhole from the profusion of bloom on the potato plants. We eventually arrived in Liverpool to time, although our watches were not to be relied on, owing to them not having been wound up the night before. However, with bloom on our cheeks and flowers in our conts, we made our way into the busy thoroughfares of the city, and startled the natives with our freshness and elaborate buttonholes, pecially the younger element, who frequently shouted, "Gi"us your flowers, mister." A crowd gathered around us until some old wag, with a rasping voice, shouted: "Get out of it, why they are only latie tops. Without, further molestation we hastened to seek out the object of our risit, and finally reached the Church of St. Nicholas, where found the notable Mr. W. Davis, in the midst of some strenuous duties, preparing for the members of the Irish Association. We had not long to wait before the arrival of the visitors, the estimable Mr. Gabriel Lindoff heading the party of about 14, who included Mr. Murray, Nr. Thos. Grant, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Hutchicon, and others. The party was increased by Mr. Fisher (a Liverpool veteran), Mr. H. Chapman, and Mr. W. C. Hunt. Mr. Lindoff soon set us of into Grandsire Cinques, the touch being brought round. Our conductor then treated us to a beautiful touch of 462 Trin Cinques, following which came some Erin Caters, when the ringing had to cease in order to allow the visitors to catch the 8 p.m. boat. Those who have not heard Erin Cingues Dublin should be complimented in mastering complete touches at the very first attempt on twelve strange bells. When the ringing finished, the company wencled their way to the landing stage to seek their berths on board the Dublin boat, which shortly after left its mooringe, and steamed into the stillness of night.

## DUDLEY GUILD MEETING,

A quarterly mecting of the Dudley and District Guid was held at the charming village of Wonbourne, Staffordshire, on Saturday week. The beautiful peal of eight were at the disposal of the members from 3.30, the usual Guild service being held in the Church at 5 o'clock, conducted by the Vicar (the Rer. F. P. Nicholas). The Rev. S. G. Craig kindly officiated at the organ. At the meeting which followet, the Vicar presided, and members were present from Bilston, Blakenhall, Coseley, Dudley, Old IHill, Sedgley, Tipton, West Bromwich, Willenhall, and the local band.- The Chairman presented to the Coseley band the president's prize for the best average attendances for ringing for Sunday services during the year 1912. The gift took the form of a volume entitled "The Antiquary's Book," by the Rev. J. Raven, D.D.

It was proposed to hold the next meeting at Blakenhall, the date being left to the secretary to arrange--Several new members were added to the roll.-The Secretary thanked the members for their kind expression of sympathy sent to him at the annual mecting in his long and trying illness.-At the close of the meeting, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for taking the service in church, for the use of the bells and the church institute in which to hold the meeting; to the Rev. S. G. Craig for presiding at the organ, and to their old friend, Mr. R. Cartwright, for making the necessary arrangements, which were most satisfactory. - The Vicar, in returning thanks, said what a pleasure it was to meet the members of the Guild, and at the same time gave the members a hearty invitation to hold the Tune meeting again at Wombourne, and to be his guests.-The offer vas unanimously acceptect.
BOURNEMOUTH.-At St. Peter's Church, on July 20th, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: E. Walters 1, S. Green 2, F. S. Wilson (Tewkesbury) 3, F. Phillips 4, W. Martin (Nuneaton) 5, C. Goodenough 6, A. R. McDonald (conductor) 7, C. Forfitt 8.

NUNEATON.-Warwickshire Guild.-On July 24th, at the Parish Church, 416 Double Norwich: T. W. Chapman 1, R. Pollird 2, E. Stone 3. H. Stoneley 4, T. Dickens 5, J. F. Clarke 6, J. F. Clarke, senr., 7, II. Argyle 8. Also a touch of Grandsire Triples, H. Reader ringing treble. These touches were rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Canon Blythe, Rector of Stoke Coventry, an hon. member of the Guild, who was interred the previous Tuesday.

TWO PEALS OF ERIN TRIPLES. 13y J. SEGAR.

## BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR. <br> To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-The peal you republish for Mr. Sam Thomas is one of the best, and it tempts me to send you another containing the same qualities, but in two equal parts; and as the figures of composition can be brulight up by two sets of calling, I gire them both.


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## DEATH OF MR. W. NAPPER.

member of a weld-known hagbourne ringing fanily.
After a long illness, patiently borne, there has passed to his rest at Didcot, Mr. William Napper, who was for many years an active member of the Oxford Diocesan Guild at Hagbourne tower. Following the dual calling of farmer and farrier, Mr. Napper lived at Ladygrove Farm, Didcot, and served the parish in the offices of parish councillor, school manager and rector's churchwarden.

His connection with ringing, as indicated above, was at the neighbouring tower of Hagbourne, where, from 1885, when the band took up change ringing, be was the conductor. At this time the company were nearly all by name Napper. They rang only call changes, but struck their bells like clockwork. At one of their meetings, however, they decided to go in for method ringing, and with the help of Mr. W. Newell, of Reading, who kindly gave them a few lessons, they soon mastered Grandsire, and rang several peals of Triples, which the deceased conducted. Mr. Napper rang altogether about 50 peals, several of them being with the late Master (the Rev. F. E. Robinson), and Mr. J. W. Washbrook.

In his prime he was a man of powerful build, but a few years ago was smitien down with a paralytic stroke, from which he never recovered. Subsequent seizures reduced his strong frame to helplessness, and he passed away at the age of 64, mourned by a large circle of friends. On the occasion of the funeral, when the coffin was carried to the church by eight of the deceased's nephews, the Hagbourne bandwhich still includes many Nappers-rang a long touch of Grandsire with the bells half-muffled.

## THE RINGING TOURS.

The tour in Devon and Cornwall is progressing very satisfactorily. At the moment of going to Press we hear that the following successes have been met with:-

Saturday: Stedman Caters, at Plymouth.
Sunday: Superlative Surprise, at St. German's.
Monday: Cambridge Surprise, af Liskeard, and Bristol Surprise, at Eowey.

Tuesday: London Surprise, at St. Kea.
A peal was to have been attempted at Kenwyn on Tuesday afternoon, but had to be abandoned owing to illness near the church
The Cambridge University Guild's tour in Cheshire and North Wales was taken part in last week by 14 membets. The whole of the ringing was not devoled to peals, but three were scored during the week: Stedman Caters, at Wrexham; Stedman Triples, at Bebington, and Cambridge Surprise at Frodsham. Unfortunately the report of the proceedings reached us too late for insertion this week.

## RINGERS MARRIED.

It is not often that two members of one ringing company-and ono of them a lady-are married within a week. Yet this is what happened recently at the little rillage of Shipley, Sussex. The first wedding was that of Mr. F. Denman, who is a member of the Shipley band, to Miss M. Barnett, and 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob was rung in celebration of the event, Messrs. T. Adams, J. Bowell, W. Denman; junr., G. Lucas, W. Pierce, L. Turrell and H. Turrell taking part.
A feu days later, Miss D. Mitchell, a lady ringer, was married to Mr. H. Cuss and again 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob was rung, W. Denman, senr., taking part, in addition to the ringers mentioned above.

HANSLOPE, BUCTS.-Oxford Guild.-On July 19th, at St. James' Church, 720 Cambridge Surprise: H. C. Edwards 1, C. A. Valentine 2, C. W. Clarke 3, A. J. Green 4, T. C. Tompkins 5, E. Yates (conductor) 6.

STONY STRATFORD, BUCKS.-On Sunday, July 20th, at St. Giles' Church, 720 London Surprise: F. G. Edwards 1, C. A. Valentine 2, E. Yates 3. A. J. Green 4, T. C. Tompkins 5, C. W. Clarke (conductor) 6. CALVERTON, BUCKS. - On Sunday, July 20th, at All Saints' Church, 720 York Surprise: A. J. Green 1: H. C. Edwards 2, E. Yates 3, C. A. Valentine 4, T. C. Tompkins 5, C. W. Clarke (conductor) 6.

OLD WOLVERTON, BUCKS. - On Sunday, July 20th, at Holy Trinity, 720 Cambridge Surprise: C. A. Valentine 1, T. C. Tompkins 2, H. J. Tucker 3, W. W. Bonham 4, E. Yates 5, C. W. Clarke (conductor) 6. The above four touches were arranged for C. W. Clarke, of Bedford.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. --The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Oldham, on Saturday, September 13th. Bells ready at 3; business meeting at 6.30. Election of Branch President and Secretary will take place at this meeting. All nominations for same to be sent in as early as possible to the Secretary, Joseph Ogden.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District.-The annual meeting of the above will be held at New Romney on Saturday, September 13 th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Special service at 5 o'clock. Tea at $5 \cdot 30$, to be followed by a general business meeting for the election of officers, etc., for the ensuing year.-C. Tribe, Honorary District Secretary, British School Villas, Tenterden.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Eling on Saturday, September i3th. Bells from 2.30. Tea at 5 p.m.-James W. Elkins, District Secretary, 20, Culver Road, Winchester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at Horwich on Saturday, September 13 th. Bells available at 5 o'clock; meeting at 7 p.m.-G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.-The next meeting will be held at Edgware, on Saturday, September i3th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea at 5.45 p.m. ; members 6d., non-members, 8d. All ringing friends welcome. Several subscriptions for I913 are not yet to hand, and I should be glad to receive same as soon as possible.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Secretary. 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch. -The quarterly meeting will be held at Olney, on Saturday, September i3th next. Service at 3 p m. -Thos. Best, Bletchley.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Liverpool Branch.-A meeting will be held at Port Sunlight on Saturday, September I3th. Bells ready at 4.30. - Walter Hughes, Branch Secretary.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -Established 1637 . - Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on September 16 th and 30th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 25 th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the zoth; St. Paul's Cathedral on the r6th; allso at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays; St. Magnus, 7.30 ; the others, 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD. - The next meeting of this Guild will be held at Woolton, on Saturday, September 2oth. Particulars by circular.-Rev. W. T. Bulpit and W. Bentham, Hon. Secretaries.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester Dis-trict.-The annual meeting of this district will be held at Borden on Saturday, September 20th. Tower open from 3.30 ; tea at the Maypole Inn at 5.30 (3d. per member will be charged), followed by business meeting. Will those
who intend to partake of tea let me know not later than Tuesday, September 16th?-Edward A. G. Allen, Hon. Secretary, 77, Bill Street Road, Frindsbury, Rochester.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Northern Branch.--The next quarterly meeting will be held at Redditch on Saturday, September $20 t h$. Service in the Parish Church of St. Stephen at 4.30 ; business meeting, and tea, kindly provided by the Vicar, at $5 \cdot 3$. The election of officers for this branch will take place at this meeting. Will all those intending to be present please let me know on or before Wednesday, September 17th?-E. J. Dowler, Branch Secretary, 9, Edward Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Southwell on Saturday, September 20th. Ringing from 2 o'clock. Service in the Cathedral at 4 . when an address to ringers will be given by the Rev. - Thomas. Committee Meeting at 4.45 , followed by tea (I/- each) in the National Schools. Will those who intend being present for tea notify Mr H . F. Clulow, Westgate, Southwell, by Thursday, September 18th ? An excursion train will leave Nottingham, M.R., at I.55.-W. E. White, Hon. Sec.

ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY, SHEF-FIELD.-The next meeting of the above society will be held at All Saints', Sheffield, on Saturday, September 2oth. 1913. Tower open at 4 p.m.-I. Evinson, 91, Clarence Street, Sheffield.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824).-Northern District.-The next meeting will be held on September 2oth at St. Anne's, Highgate. Bells available at 4.30 p.m. Business mecting at 8 p.m. All cordially invited.-T. Cornford, Hon. Secretary, 7 d, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.A meeting for practice will be held at Broughton on September 2oth. Bells available from 3.-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-Dale.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Christ Church, Barlow Moor, Didsbury, on Saturday, September 2oth. Bells available at 4 p.m., meeting at 7.-W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.A quarterly meeting will be held at Evercreech on Saturday, September 2oth. Service in the Parish Church at 3.30 p.m. Tea at the Institute at $4 . \mathrm{I}_{5} \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting to follow. - E. E. Burgess, Honorary Secretary, Taunton.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern Division.-A Quarterly Meeting of the above will be held at Mayfield (8 bells) on Saturday, September 2oth. Tower open from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m., 6d. each, to members. Those intending to be present must inform me by Wednesday, Sept. ryth.-George H. Howse, Hon. Sec.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIA-TION.-Quarterly mectings will be held at Rothwell on Saturday, September zoth, and Castle Ashby on Saturday, September 27th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. - F. Wilford, General Secretary.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-A monthly meeting will be held at Dunchurch on Saturday, September 27th. Bells (6) available at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.-Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The September meeting will be held at Middleham on Saturday, Sept. 27th, 1913. Bells of the Parish Church, 8, tenor 18 cwt., are available for ringing all day. Dinner and tea by the kind invitation of the St. Alkelda's Guild. Those intending to be at this meeting must notify the Hon. Sec. not later than Tuesday, Sept. 23rd, 1913, first post, or they cannot be provided for.T. Metcalle, Hon. Sec., 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Birstall on September $27^{\text {th }}$ (the fourth Saturday). For full particulars see circular. - Clement Glenn, Honorary Secretary, in, Fisher Road, Sheffield.

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SCUNTHORPE, LINCS. On July 29th, at St. John's Church, a quarter-peal of Crandsive Triples ( 1260 changes) : S. J. Wiles 1, T. H. Parkin (first quarter-peal as conductor) 2, T. P. Hocknell 3, C. H. Bird 4, R. Oliver 5, II. Strickland 6, G. Vamplew 7, J. Cuthbert 8. Rung to commemowate the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. F. Sheldon. -On July 13th, for evening service, as a welcome to Mr. N. Short, late of Scunthorpe, 1260 Grandsire Triples: S. J. Wiles 1, N. Short 2. W. A. Miller 3, T. II. Parkin 4, T. P. Hocknell 5, C. H. Bird 6, G. Vamplew 7, II. Strickland 8.
CHIGWEIT ROWV, ESSEX.-On July 29th, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: F. Freestone 1. G. Margetson 2, A. Chaplin 3, E. Butler 4, G. Playle (conductor) 5, E. Fawkins 6.

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Architect, Diocesan Surpeyor.

## MODERN

WORK.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT.

The question of the powers of officials discussed at the North-West District meeting of the Essex Association, and raised by a correspondent in our columns last week, has caused quite a stir among the members, and has called forth two pertinent replies, which will be found elsewhere in this issue, one being from Canon Papillon, who had a large share in the steps taken to divide the county. Briefly the facts are that at a meeting of the district, held some months ago, it was decided to pay a special visit to Elmdon, the expense of a conveyance from Stansted to be provided by the Association. The honorary secretary was present at the meeting, and, apparently, at that time, raised no obstacie to the proposal, but later, when the meeting had been arranged, vetoed, in conjunction with the Master and auditors, the expenditure from county funds. Then, when the district met again at Harlow, there was, we understand, some plain speaking upon the action of the officials, and the members, by a resolution, insisted upor carrying out the Elmdom meeting and the provision of the brake from the funds of the Association.

Undoubtedly the action of the North-West District raises an important question of principle, which the members of the Association will have to settle at their annual meeting. At the moment we think Canon Papillon's letter puts the position very simplv and very clearly. It may be a little irritating to find a decision set aside, and there may be a case to argue under Rule VI, which is the one upon which the Honorary Secretary of the Association acted, and which states that the duties of the District Secretary include the arranging of district meetings under the supervision of the Honorary Secretary of the Association, and with the assistance of the District Master. It is, perhaps, open to question whether this rule goes so far as to bring the action of a district meeting within the veto of the Association secretary, and if the matter is not clear, the intention of the rule should, as Canon Papillon points out, be made absolutely plain at the first opportunity.
Meanwhile it will be interesting to see what happens. The North-West District have decided to hold the meeting in face of the decision of the county officials that the expense of the converance cannot be borne out of the county funds. Who then is going to pay? It is not the question of the comparatively small amount that matters, but the more important one as to the powers of the Association's officers. One can sympathise with the members of the North-West District in desiring to assert what they consider to be their rights, but probably they would, under all circumstances, have been wise had they postponed the charter of a brake until they had vindicated their position at the annual meeting.

## CHARLES CARR, ${ }^{\text {IT }}$



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A PEAL OF SURFLEET TREBLE BOB GATERS, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor I2 cwt. o qr. 9 lbs., in F .

The Rev. H. Law James Treble| Rupert Richardson ... 6 \begin{tabular}{lllll}
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## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

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On Tuesday, August 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Pagish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Taylor's. Tenor io cwt. I qr. 23 lbs . Conducted by John Monk.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Tin Minutes,
At the Church of St. Ladrence,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;
Tenor Io ${ }_{3}$ cwt.

| Neville H. Widdowson ...Treble | Joseph Hall | ... | .. | .. | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Richard A. Hickton | .. | 2 | John Flower | ... | ... | .. | 6 |

$\begin{array}{llll:llllll}\text { Richard A. Hickton } & . . . & 2 & \text { John Flower } & . . . & . . & . . & 6 \\ \text { Richard Hickton } & . . & . . & 3 & \text { Walter Ayre } & . . & . . & \ldots & 7\end{array}$
 Conducted by Joseph Bailey.
Rung as a farewell to the Rer. T. B. Charlesworth, Vicar of the above Church, and also to celebrate the wedding of Miss Potter, daughter of the Rev. J. Potter.

## WIMBORNE, DORSET.

THE SAIISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, Septomber 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Cothberga,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Thurstans' Four-Part
Tenor $29 \mathrm{cwt}, 2 \mathrm{qr} .20 \mathrm{lbs}$.
George Villiams ... ...Treble Lewis Wiffen... ... ... 5 *Arther James ... ... ... 2 Frederick W. Townsend 6 George Preston $\quad \cdots \quad \cdots \quad 3 \quad$ Charles W. Goodenough 7
A. F. Martin Stewart ... 4 Alfred Osman... ... ... Tenor Conducted by George Williams.

* First peal of Stedman. This is the first peal of Stedman Triples rung in this tower and the first peal of Triples on these bells since their restoration.


## HASTINGS.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On IVeduesday, September 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Fiftecn Minutes, At Christ Church, Blacklands,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE I

Thurstans' Four-Part.
$\begin{array}{|lccc|}\text { John T. Rickman } \\ \text { James Livermore, Junr. ... Trelle } & 2\end{array}$ Ernest Gower... ... ... Joseph F. Chatley ..... .9 3 Keith Hart... George H . Howse... Conducted by Keith Hart.
Messrs. Whitbread, Chatley and Hollick, for whom the peal was arranged, hail from St. Albans, and were elected members previous to starting. The best thanks of the band are due to Mr. and Mrs. Livermore for their kind hospitality after the peal.

## CARDIFF, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

THE LL.ANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, September 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
a PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Changes;

## Tenor 27 cwt .

 Association previous to starting.

## SALLE, NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, September 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COJRT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES ;

## Tenor 18 cwt.

*John Moy ... ... ...Treble Bertie J. Howchin Albert G. Warnes ... 2 George Howchin ... ... 6 George H. Cross ... ... 3 Frederick J. Howchin ... 7 Alberti Rought George Howchin ... ...
Frederick J. Howchin .. William Steele ... ...Tenor Composed by H. Price, and Conducted by Wm. Steele.

* First peal in the method. First true peal in the method on the bells.


## EYNSFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, September 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 GHANCES;
J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part.

Thomas Booker... ... ...Treble | Albert Bates... ... ... 5 Edwin Barnetr, Senr. ... 2 |Stanley Mason ... ... 6 Redben Baldwin $\ldots . . . . .3$ John Wheadon ... ... ... 4 William West... ... ...Tenor

Conducted by Thomas Groombridge, Sent.

* First peal on eight bells. This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Groombridge, wife of the conductor.


## HOLBECK, LEEDS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, September 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Matthew,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Parker's Six-Part. Stanley H. Cunningham...Tyeble Percy J. Johnson James R. Kemp ... $\quad . .$. George W. Slack $\ldots$...

Tenor 16 cwt .
George A. Jowett.. Frank R. Cundale john R. Moger Robert Squires ercy J. Johnson.
First peal by the treble ringer, who is 15 years of age, and to whom great credit is due for the manner in which he handled his bell.

## UCKFIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-cight Minutes,
At the Church of the Holy Cross,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

 Parker's Twelve-Part.

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## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At Christ Church, Subitt Town, E,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Bertram Prewett ... ...Tveble
Edwin Barnett, Sent. ... 2
George H Daynes .... Harold W. Clark... ... 6
Arture H. Daynes ... ... 3 Redben Sanders ... ... 7
Conducted by Bertram Prewett.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF NEW GAM8RIDGE 8URPRISE MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES;
Tenor 8 cwt . I qr. 20 lbs .
 First peal in the method on the bells.

## GUISELEY, YORKS.

 THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.On Saturday, Septenber 13, 1913, in Tiu Hours and Fifty-fowr Minutes, At the Church of St. Oswald,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

 Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.William Dixon...
Alfred Hardwick .
Fredk. Wm. Dixon...

| ...Treble | William E. Woland | $\cdots$ | 5 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots .$. | 2 | Arthur S. Walker | $\cdots$ | 6 |

*Harry Stott ... ... 3 Arthor S. Walker

Composed by E. A. Ridgivay, and Conducted by William B. Smith.

* First peal. Rung as a compliment to A. S. Walker on his 2 Ist birthday.


## STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 GHANGES; Tenor 14 cwt.

| Harry Briggs | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Treble | Thomas W. Chapman | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ernest Morris $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Jostah Morris... | .. | $\cdots$ |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Alfred J. Hessian | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | Charles H. Fowler | $\cdots$ | 7 |


Composed by Fred H. Dexter, and
Conducted by Charles H. Fowler.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.
TEIE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Tüo Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Helex,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tenor $r_{7} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| Thomas White | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Tveble | John Flower ... | ... | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | | - Henry Gregory | ... | .. | 3 | Alfred C. Wright... | ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Benjamin Greatorex | .. | 4 | •Villiam Taylor | .. | ... Tenor | Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Alfred C. Wright.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.
ST. KEA, CORNWALL.
THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Chorch of All Hallows,
a PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGEE;
Holt's Original.
-Harold W. Cheguideen Treble *William C. Greet... ... 2 Alfred W. Brighton … 3 Heber C. Harris 3 Heber C. Harris ... ... 4
* First peal. John Thomas (Edmonton) was elected a member of
Tenor i2t cwt.
Arthor D. Sowell … 5 John Thomas (Edmonton) 6 John Thomas (Kea) ... 7 - Cyril Gallehawk ... ...Tenor homas (Edmonton). the Guild previous to starting.

HORRINGER, SUFFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND
THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY, BURY ST. EDMUNDS. On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Leonard,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

## Taylor's Six-Part.

*William Johnson Arthur E Moore


James Chinery ... Tenor 9 cwt o gr . 3 lbs .

James Chinery
Harry Smith Conducted by ${ }^{4}$ - First peal. First peal in the method on the bells.

HERSHAM, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES: Tenor $8 \neq \mathrm{cwt}$.

| John Emery | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Tenor } \\ & \text {...Treble } \end{aligned}$ | cwt. <br> Alfred Woodrow |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arthur F. Shepherd | ... 2 | Ferris Shepherd ... | ... 6 |
| Isamc Emery ... | 3 | Ferris J. Shepherd | $\cdots{ }^{7}$ |
|  |  | William Shepherd |  |
| liam a. Composed <br> Composed by |  | Sottanstall, and liam Shepherd. |  |

First peal in the method on the bells.
TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Thivteen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Martin,
a Peal of kent treble bob major, 5184 Changes ;

Benjamin Gough Christopher Wallater Thomas Hill Edgar Marlow...

Tenor I2 $\mathrm{cwt}$.
..Treble Edgar T. Smith

Composed 4 *William A. Cooper
Conducted by

- First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to Edgar T. Smith.

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(Sheffield District Societi.)
On Saturday, Septenbey 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;


* First peal in the method. F. W. Bemrose, who is only 15 years of age, was elected a member of the above Association before starting and this was his first attempt for a peal in any method.


## OSPRINGE, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Septenber 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHAMGE \&
Tenor 174 cwt., in F sharp.


- First peal in the method and first Surprise peal on the bells.

BOUGHTON-UNDER-BLEAN, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, September 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor I2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in F sharp.
-Frederick S. Macey ...Treble $\mid$ Frank Bennett ... ... 5
-Ernest J. Dobbie … .... 2 - William Spice $\quad . .$.
Harold Burton ... ... 3 Frank I. Hairs ... ... 7
Edward Trendell ... ... 4 William Hewett ... ...Teroy
Composed by Arthor Knights, and
Conducted by Frank Bennett.
*First peal in the method, and first Surprise peal on the bells.

## SIX 8 FIVE BELL PEALS.

## EASTCHURCH, ISLE OF SHEPPEY.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Augist 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes. At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford
Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Kent Treble Bob, College Single and Plain Bob.
William J. Wood ... ...Treble George Spice

- Harry Jewis ... ... ... 2 William Spice

Thomas Juel ... ... ... 3 William H. B. Wilkins Tenoy Conducted by W. H. B. Wilkins.

* First peal in seven methods.


## COLSTERWORTH, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Sodthern Branch.)

On Saturday, September 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF BOB RINOR, 5040 CHARGES;
Being seven 720 's, each called differently.
John IV. Lake... ... ...Treble 'Cyril Wright.
*Arthur Skinns ... ... 2 "William H. Alexander 5
*Harry A. Watson ... ... 3 †Arthur I. Holmes... ... Tenoy Conducted by John W. Lake.
*First peal. $\dagger$ Fiftieth peal for the Guild. The ringers of 3 and 4 were proposed members of the Guild previous to starting for the peal,

## WILLESDEN, MiddLesex

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, September 9, 1913, in Tr゙o Hours and Forty-eight Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720 's each called differently. Tenor to cwt. Arthur French... ... ...Tveble George M. Kilby... ... $4^{4}$
 *Frederick Grisdale ... 3. Harry Kilby ... ... ...Tenoy Conducted by Harry Kilby.

- First peal. F. Grisdale was elected a member previous to starting.

RENDCOMB, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Septenber 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL DF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES ;
Being io Six-scores of Grandsire and 32 Six-scores of St. Dunstan's. - Tenor I4 cwt.

Harry Lewis -. ... ...Tveble | Francis J. Lewis ... ... 4 Anthony Hayward ... ... 2 J John J. Jefferies ... ... 5 Jóhn Miller ...... Conducted by Anthony Hayward.

* First peal and first attempt. Rung to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. B. Haywood, Mr. Haywood being a much-respected member of the local band. Messrs. A. Hayward and J. Miller were proposed members before starting.


## KNOWLE, WARWICKSHIRE. <br> TEE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Sıturday, Septomber 1.3, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-uine Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720 's, each called differently. Tenor io cwt.
Sydney J. Jessop ... ...Tveble George H. Kettle ... $4^{\text {. }} 4$ Robert Green ... ... ... 2 John Bragg ... ... ... 5 Rev. C. Carew Cox ... 3 Rev. E. V. Cox ... ...T Tenor Conducted by the Rev. C. Carew Cox.

## HARDINGSTONE.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Edmend,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;

-Cecil F. Reynolds... ...Tyeble | John T. Hensman... ... 3 Fred Hopper ... ... ... 2 *Frederick Jones ... ... 4 Wilifam J. Allen ... ...Tenor Conducted by Fred Hopper.

* First peal.


## BRADFIELD, BERKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and three of Plain Bob.
 Conducted by J. Abery.

* First peal.

BOLSTERSTONE, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturduy, Scptember 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Chbrch of St. Mary,

## $A$ PEAL OF TREBLE BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of City Delight, London Scholars' Pleasure, CoHege Pleasure, Duke of York, Violet, Kent and Oxford. Tenor i3 cwt. David Brearley George Chappell.... Archie Brearley ... ... 3 | George Hill ... ... .... Tenor

Conducted by George Hill.
George Chappell was elected a member before starting.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK. THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.
On Monday, September 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-one Minates, In the Belfry of the Norman Tower,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Frederick Dewell... ... I-2 Harry A. Torner

Composed by A. T. King, and
Conducted by Frederick Dewell. Umpire: Alfred Ely.

* First peal on handbells.


## KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAAPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, September, 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Twonty-five Minutes, At 5, The Broadway,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Walter Perkins ... ... I-2 ${ }^{\text {Whyid J. Nichols ... ... 5-6 }}$ J. Edward Chapman $\quad \cdots 3^{2}-4$ Frederick W. Sawfoot... 7 - 8 Composed by J. J. Brierley, and Conducted by David J. Nichols.

## BRIDLINGTON.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Officers' Peal.)
On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes, At "Ye Olde Cock and Lion" Hotel,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANEES:

Parker's Twelve-Part.
*James Cotterell... ... $\mathbf{I}-2$ Abert C. Fearnley ... 5-6 (Treasurer)
Clement Glenn ... ... 3-4 (Secretary) Conducted by Clement Glenn. Umpire: Charles Jackson (Steward).
*First handbell peal of Grandsire Triples. First handbell peal in Bridlington.

CROYDON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, September 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes, At the Residence of Mr. Amos W. Cearke,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANCES;
Holt's Original.
Sydney R. Roper... ... i-2 Walter S. Wise ... ... 5-6 Challis F. Winney ... 3-4 'Amos W. Clarke ... ... $7-8$ Conducted by Challis F. Winney. Umpire: Henry L. Garfath.

Mr. T. Redmond, of Burnley, writes:-There is a mistake in the footnote to the peal of Treble Bob rung at St. Anne's-on-Sea and recorded last week. It stated that this was the first peal of Major on the bells. I conducted a peal of Treble Bob there on March rgth, I898, a composition by Edwin Timbrell, who himself took part.

## VISIT TO THE FAITHFUL CITY.

For their annual outing, the St. Michael's, Stoke-in-Coventry, Society paid a visit to Worcester. The party, numbering eleven, left Coventry at 7.30 a.m., and after a pleasant journey, enlivened by touches on the handbells, the Faithful City was reached at 9.45 . It was not possible to obtain permission for a pull on the Cathedral bells, but through the kindness of Canon Whatley, a pleasant hour was spent in looking round the tower and bells. After dinner, a move was made to St. John's Church, where, on the ring of six, touches of Oxford, Kent and Plain Bob were brought round. Later, the Church of St. Philip and St. Janes', Hallow, was visited, and on the fine modern ring of eight, touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Double Norwich and Superlative were successfully accomplished. The return journey was commenced at 9 p.m., Coventry being reached just before midnight. The thanks of the band are due to the clergy of St. John's, Worcester, and Hallow, for granting the use of their bells; to Messrs. Mortis and Page, of Worcester, and to all who assisted to make the outing one of the most successful yet held by the Society.

## THE TOUR IN DEVON AND CORNWALL. PLYMOUTH <br> THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, Scptember 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes, At Charles' Church,
A PEAL OF stedman caters, 5043 Changes;
Tenor $23 \frac{1}{2}$ civt.


Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by William Pye.

## ST. GERMANS, CORNWALL. THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Sunday, September 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Germanus,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;
Tenor in cwt.
 Composed and Conducted by Ernest Pye.
First peal of Major on the bells.

## LISKEARD, CORNWALL.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD
On Monday, September 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,
a peal of calabridge surprise major, 5056 changes; Tenor 17 cwt .
Alax R Macdonald
..Treble $\mid$ Rev. A. T. Beeston
.. 5
Thomas T. Gofton ... ... 2 | Ernest Pye ... ... ... 6
George Dent ... ... ... 3 Alfred W. Grimes ... 7
William J. Nevard... ... 4 | William Pye ... ... ... Tenor
Composed by C. Middleton, and
Conducted by William Pye.
First peal in the method in the county.
FOWEY, CORNWALL
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Monday, September 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 GHANGES;
Tenor 21 cwt .

## Alfred W. Brighton

Rev. A. T. Beeston...
..Treble Jонn Fins
Isaac G. Shade ... ... .Trebl $\begin{array}{r}2 \\ \cdots \\ \hline .\end{array}$

5
Thomas T. Gofton ... ... 4 | Wrnest Pye ......
Composed by Arthor Knights, and
Conducted by Wilitam Pye.
First peal on the bells and first peal in the method in the county.
ST. KEA, CORNWALL.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD
On Tuesday, September 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Church of Ael Hallows,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 GHANGES ;

Tenor i2 $\frac{2}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$


ST. KEA, CORNWALL.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Wednesday, September 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of All Hallows,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.


| Isaac G. Shade ... | $\ldots$ | .. | 3 | Joinn Flint | $\ldots$. | ... | .. | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William J. Nevard | ... | .. | 4 | Alfred W. Grimes | $\ldots$ | Tenor |  |  | Composed by Joseph W. Parker, and Conducted by Thomas T. Gofton.

First peal in the method on the bells.
TOTNES, DEVON.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Thursday, September 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Tquenty-eight Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 28 cwt.
William J. Nevard ... ...Treble
. Nevard.....Treble John Flint
Isaac G. Shade... ... ... 2 Alfred W. Grines i. 5
Rev. A. T. Beeston $\quad . . .3$
Thomas T. Gofton ... ... 4 Ernest Pye ... ... ... Tenoy
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by William Pye.
First peal in the method in the county.

## BOVEY POMEROY, DEVON

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Friday, September 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF dOUble nORWich court bob major, 5072 Ghanges;
Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Alfred W. Grimes ... ...Treble $\mid$ Alan R. Macdonald ... 5
Thomas T. Gofton ... ... 2 William J. Nevard ... 6
Isacic G. Shade... ... ... 3 William Pye ... ... ... 7
George Dent ... ... ... 4 Ernest Pye ... ... ... Tenor
Composed by J. W. Washbroor, and Conducted by Alfred W. Grimes.
First peal of Major on the bells.

## BOVEY TRACEY, DEVON.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD
On Friday, September 12, 1913, in Three Horr's.
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF bRISTOL SURPhioc MAJOR 5024 Changes;
Tenor I4t c cwt.
William J. Nevard ... ...Treble Ernest Pye
Alfred W. Grimes ... ... 2 Thomas T. Gofton... ... 6
Rev. A. T. Beeston ... 3 John Flint ... ... ...
George Dent ... ... ... 4 | Wileiam Pye ... .... .... Tenor
Composed by Arthur ISnights, and
Conducted by William Pye.
First peal in the method on the bells.
HEAVITREE, DEVON.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD
On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Three Hour's and Taventy-one Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 25 嚾 cwt.


First peal in the method on the bells.

## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD TOUR.

## WREXHAM.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Tuesday, September 2, 1913, in Thee Hours and Thirty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Silin,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5006 CHANGES;
William D. James
..Treble
Edwin H. Lewis...
25 cwt
*J. Bruce Williamson...
Rev. I. S. T. Richardson
E. Maurice Atkins

Rev. H. Law James... ... 6
Rev. H. J. Elsee
7 4 Composed by G. Newson, and

* First peal of Stedman. First peal of Stedman Caters by the Guild. First peal by the Guild out of England.


## BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Wednesday, September 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
*Rev. R. Bond ... ... ...Treble Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake 2 Rev. A. H. F. Boughey... 3 Dr. Michael C. Potter... 4

Tenor $8 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$

Conducted by Rev
*J. Brace Williamson... E. Maurice Atkins Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn Rev. H.S. T.Richardson Tenor C. W. O. Jenkyn.

* First peal of Stedman Triples. Peals of Stedman on these bells have been called only by Masters of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Friday, September 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Tzo Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

## Tenor I2 c cwt.

Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake Tyeble Edwin H. Lewis Rev. H. S. T. Richardson 3 E. Maurice Atkins

Willtam D. James
Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn 6
Rev. E. Bankes James 7
Rev. H. Law James ...Tenor
Composed by C. Middleton, and
Conducted by W. D. James.
First peal in the method on the bells. First peal of Surprise as conductor.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

A ringing meeting of the Burton-on-Trent district was held at Netherseale, on Saturday, when upwards of twenty ringers were present from Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Burton, Derby, Etwall, Netherseale, Newhall, Stoke Golding, etc. Touches of Grandsire Doubles, Treble Bob Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise Major were rung during the afternoon and evening. By the kindness of the Rector (the Rev. Canon Worthington), a splendid tea was provided in the dining-room of the Rectory. - The Rector, who presided at the business meeting, said how pleased he was to meet the ringers that afternoon, and hoped everyone would enjoy their visit to Nether-seale.-Elford having been selected as the place of the next meeting, Mr. A. P. Wakley proposed that the best thanks of the meeting be given the Rev. Canon Worthington for his kindness in providing tea, for the use of the belis, and for presiding at the meeting.-This was seconded by Mr. Swinfield, and carried with applause.-The grounds of the Rectory, also those of the Old Hall, the residence of Mr. W. W. Worthington, were thrown open to the visitors, and a ramble through them was much enjoyed.

## ERIN TRIPLES.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir,-There is a small error in the three-part peal published last week. I am sorry if this is any fault of mine. The last four courses should read:-

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Omit three courses bracketed and $S$ at 1 in next course, in 2 nd and 3 red parts.
J. SEGAR, Junr.

## SURFLEET TREBLE BOB CATERS.

## By the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

The first peal on the new ring of ten bells at Surfleet, Linos, was a peal of Surfleet Treble Bob Caters, a new method by the Rev. H. Law James. The method and the composition of the peal rung on Saturday are appended:


## CHESHIRE RINGERS' OUTINE.

On Saturday, the ringers of St. Nicholas' Church, Wallasey, accompanied by the Vicar (the Rev. A. S. Roscamp) and Mr. H. Joynson (churchwarden), the company numbering thirteen in all, went to Morecambe, a delightful and popular resort on the Lancashire coast, for their annual outing. They arrived at Morecambe a few minutes after 10 o'clock, and the first item on the programme was a visit to the Parish Church of Holy Trinity to ring on the bells, which are a handy peal of six (tenor $9 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$ ), by Messrs. Carr, of Smethwick, and were placed in the tower in 1897. Time would not allow a 5040 to be attempted, so 720 each of St. Clement's, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob were rung. Those taking part in the ringing were: D. Joynson, J. R Griffin, G. R. Newton, J. Webster, T. Rogers, J. Greasley, Eric Webster, Edward Webster, A. Sparkes, and W. Joynson, the conducting being shared by G. R. Griffin and G. R. Newton. After lowering the bells, no time was lost in finding the Carleton Cafe, where an excellent repast awaited the visitors. Dinner over, the party made their way by tram to Heysham, where they found a very interesting od church, which well repaid them for their visit. A mile walk further round the harbour brought them to Heysham Docks, now a busy centre of the Isle of Man and Irish ports traffic. Entraining again for Morecambe, the party arrived at the Midland Station, where the roof of the interior of the booking hall came in for much attention from the horticulturally disposed section, for growing in great profusion were grapes, hops, and hot-house plants. Before the visitors partook of tea, the Vicar called on the Vicar of Morecambe (the Rev. W. H. Bonsey), who, we are given to understand, is a change ringer, to thank him for the use of his bells. '「ea over, souvenirs were purchased, and then tracks mide for the station, Liverpool being reached at 9.45 p.m. Some went home to Wallasey by train, and some by boat, but all arrived safely, after one of the most enjoyable days it has been their lot to spend. The society would like to express their thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens, one of whom (Mr. C. H. Deeley) was prerented from joining them at the last moment, for their kindness, and to the Vicar of Morecambe for the use of his bells. They hope before long the tower will become affiliated to the Lancashire Association, and that his ringers will also become members of it

SOUTH WIGSTON. - At St. Thomas' Church. on July 30th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins., zung with the bells muttled as a last token of respect to the late Mr. A. Bent, for sereral years churchwarden: C. Randle (longest touch) 1, J. E. Clarke (conductor') 2, S. Cox 3, A. H. Bell 4, H. Brown 5, A. Stanyon 6, W. Brewin 7. R. H. Baker 8.

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## CELEBRITIES IN CORNWALL.



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## ODD CHANGES.

The unveiling of the handsome peal tablet recording the ladies' peal at Cubitt Town, is to be unveiled, as already announced, on Saturday, October 4 th, at 4 p.m., by Canon Simpson, of St. Paul's. There will be a short service, followed by tea at 5.15, and the tower will be open for ringing from 6.15 to $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers, and particularly those who are subscribers to the tablet, will be heartily welcome.

In our last issue we said that when the first peal was rung on the new ring of ten at Surfleet it was probable that the method would be something of a novelty, but that we must wait and see. We have not had long to wait, for on Saturday the first peal on the ten was rung, and the method was certainly a novelty. It was Surfleet Treble Bob Caters, and the way in which the method is adapted to odd numbers is certainly ingenious. From the figures given elsewhere it will be seen that the difficulty is got over and the slow work on the front dispensed with by the regular making of 5 th's place between the dodges in 3-4 and 6-7.

The Rev. H. Law James claims the peal as the first of Treble Bob Caters ever rung. Will this claim be disputed in view 'of the records which exist of 5004 Oxford Treble Bob Caters rung at St. Martin's, Birmingham, on January 7 th, 18i7 (composed and conducted by T. Thurstans) and of 5004 Kent Treble Bob Caters rung at Aston on February $3^{\text {th }}, 18 \not 8$ ?

The peal at Hersham on Saturday was a kind of family affair. The ringers of the treble and 3 rd are brothers, and
of the 5 th and $4^{\text {th }}$ father and son, while the ringers of the $2 n d, 7$ th and tenor are sons of the ringer of the 6 th.

The Royal Cumberland Youths have changed their headquarters to the King of Denmark, Old Bailey.

Two John Thomas's in one peal! This might well be the foundation for another novelty in name peals. Can our Welsh friends supply a few more ringers of the same name to complete a band?

We have been unavoidably compelled to hold over the reports of one or two outings which reached us rather late.

## A LINCOLNSHIRE EXCURSION.

Saturday last was the occasion of the annual outing of the Barkestor band (who are very active members of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild), and they were accompanied on their trip by the branch hon. secretary. The White Lion Hotel at Colsterworth provided a very cordial welcome at the inrst stopping place, and afterwards, upon wending their way to the Vicarage for permission to ring on the handy peal of six bells by Taylor, the visitors found that the Vicar (the Rev. G. E. Mahon) was out. Mrs. Mahon, however, gave the necessary sanction, and the bells was soon tapping the tune of Single Court Minor, a 720 of which was rung by: W. Woods 1, J. Atkinson 2, S. Proctor 3, W. Watson 4, R. Scott 5, A. Palmer (cond actor) 6. By this time the Vicar had returned, and all expected to receive a lecture for ringing the bells during his absence. But the Rev. G. E. Mahon is a "True Ringers' Parson," and congratulated the band on the striking, and wished them a rery enjoyable time. The next place of call was the very pretty village of "化隹inster, the country seat of the Earl of Dysart. This time "Dickey", the Pilot, landed the party in the Dysart Hotel, where they satisfied the "inner man," in old-fashioned ringers' style, with beer aud bread and cheese. Most of the company spent an hour exploring the village and visiting friends, while the writer was told off to interview the genial Vicar (the Rev. Ashley Cooper) and get the bells. In this there was no difficulty, and 720 Plain Bob was safely accomplished by: W. Woods 1, J. Atkinson 2, A. Palmer 3, R. Scott 4, S. Proctor (conductor) 5, W. Watson 6. Barkeston was afterwards safely reached about 9 p.m., everyone agreeing that the outing had been a very successful one.-S.P.

## OFFICIALS' POWERS QUESTIONED.

Sir,-Your correspondent, "A Bob Member," raises a question which ought to be answered by the rules of his Association: and if the rules are not clear on the point, they should be altered so as to admit of no doubt. Meanwhile, as I was largely concerned with the division of the county of Essex into four districts for the work of the Essex Association, I can at any rate tell him what was intended with regard to the relation between the general and diotrict secretaries.
Rule VI runs thrus: " Each district shall appoint a master and a local hon. secretary, the duties of the latter being to collect subscriptions due from members of the Association within his district, and to arrange district meetings under the supervision of the hon. secretary of the Assnciation, and with the assistance of the district master.
This " modified form of Home Rule" (as it was termed at the time) was not intended to leave the separate districts independent of financial supervision by the general secretary, who is responsible to the Association for its funds: nor was it contemplated that any district mecting could vote special and extraordinary expenses without his authority. In the particular case mentioned by "A Bob Member,' it was unfortunate that the general secretary, being (as I gathered) present at a district meeting, sanctioued, or appeared to sanction, expenditure voted by that meeting, but was aftorwards obliged to withdraw his approval. In this there may have been an error of judgment: but there would, in my opinion, have been a dereliction of duty if, when informed by the Master and the auditors that the funds of the Association could not aftord the expenditure in question, the general secretary had not written to the local secretary to tell him so. The auditors would in that case, as it seems to me, have been justified in refusing to pass this item when the accounts came up for audit.
As a life member of the Association, I suggest, with all respect, that the next annual meeting, instead of trying to answer the questions put by " A Bob Member," should consider whether the rules need ally alteration or addition to make their meaning clear to him and to others.
T. L. PAPILLON,

Formerly Master of the Essex Association.

## St. Albans, September 13th, 1913.

## To the Editor

Sir,-May I ask your correspondent :
Bob Nember " if he and his supporters expect to arrange bye-meetings, outings, and extra expenses ad in . at the cost of the Association. Was not the power of the dis tricts limited to arranging district meetings under the supervision of the bon. seeretary? See Rule VI
Would it not be better to strengthen the bonds of those members on the south side of the South-west Division, rather than incur a con siderable expense in visiting an isolated tower, on the off chance of getting five or six new members? If a meeting is to be held at Elmdon why go to the expense of a brake from Stansted when there is a railway station seven or eight miles nearer? Why should the Essex Associa tion pay the cost of an afternoon's outing for the Slansted ringers?

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## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Winchester district was held at Eling, on Saturday last, when members were present from Stoneham, South ampton, Twyford, Winchester etc. Holidays were doubtless responsible for a smaller attendance than usual, but this gave greater opportunities for instruction, and enabled several to score their first touches in Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob. About 20 sat down to an cxcellent meat tea at the Anchor Inn.-The Rev. W. E. Colchester presided, and apologised for the absence of the district secretary, Mr. Elkins, who was taking a well-earned holiday. It is anticipated that as a result of this and former meetings, the Eling ringers will take up change ringing, and become affiliated to the Guild.

GUILDFORD DISTRICT MEETING AT GODALMING A meeting of the Guildford district of the Winchester Diocesan Guild of change ringers was held at Godalming, on Saturday, and attended by ringers from Guildford, Farnham, Shalford, Chiddingfold Cranleigh, Frensham, Aldershot, and the surrounding tower
A service was held at the Parish Church, where an address was delivered by the Rev. Gilbert Harding, who gave the ringers some pery practical advice. He pointed out that by their art they calied people to a solemn assembly for the worship and prayer of Almighty God. Tea was partaken of in the Schoolroom, the Mayor of Godalming (Ald. E. Bridger) presiding over the assemblage, amongst which were the two churehwardens, Messrs. C. C Harvey and S. Allden, and the Rev. H. M. Larner (curate of Farncombe). In all there were about 50 campanologists, including several lady ringers, present. The business, which was mainly of a technical nature, was then transacted. New members were enrolled, and the Wonersh company having joined the Guild, hopes were expressed that very soon they would become some of the most proficient members of the Art.
It was decided to leave arrangements for the next combined prac tice in the hands of the secretary and Mr A. H. Pulling. Incidentally it is hoped to obtain the bells of Holy Trinity, Guildford, for this
rung on the splendid peal of eight, and the proceedings eventually closed with a vote of thanks to the Mayor of Godalming, proposed by Mr. Francis E. Dawe, of Woking, the toast being accorded musical honours.-His Worship, in response, said he felt it his duty to endcavour to attend meetings of every character held in the ancient borough of Godalming, and he was certainly very glad he had attended that meeting that afternoon, for he had thoroughly enjoyed the proceedings.

## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD TOUR.

Fourteen members of the Cambridge University Guild turned up for the annual tour, which was held in the Chester district. As the Rev. H. J. Elsce was one of the party, it was not thought advisable to attempt a peal in every tower, so one more peal tower than usual was obtained, with some " listeners'" towers in addition, where touches might be rung. But it was not wiso to give notice of two towers for the Monday night. There was too much temptation to say, "If there are going to be enough for two towers, it won't matter if I turn up late for the peal." It was only with difficulty that a band could be mustered for St. Mary-without-the-Walls, Chester, and Stedman Triples were allowed to run round at a quarter-peal ond. Some listeners went to the listoric lower of Christleton and had the pleasure of a chat with one of the family of Mayers, who made the tower famous in the first half of last century
At Lhangollen, on Tuesday, the conductor managed to get the bells round very nicely, after half a peal of Norwich. The first course of Cambridge in the county was rung, with the President of the North Wales Association standing in. At Wrexham the Guild scored its first poal of Stedman Caters on the finc Rudhall ten. The question of illness and pcal ringing was discussed on the way home, and apparently the Master of the O.D.G. would prefer to go to the tune of Stedman Caters when his turn comes.
A batch of firsts-in-the-method was scored at Bebington, and Professor Potter scored his second peal, after an interval of 27 years. Turning Chester Caihedral bells into Cambridge proved rather a hard job, and a bad trip after three hours brought things to an end. The listeners had touches at Port Sunlight and Waverion.
Thursday morning brought two peal attempts in parallel. A broken rope in the second 720 stopped the Minor party at Backford, and the Major party, at St. Mary-on-the-IIill, Chester, got into difficulties over Cambridge. In the afternoon the Guild travelled to Eaton by the Eaton Railway Several members scored their first in the method as conductor, under the tuition of Mr. 1I. W. Wilde. There was a great disappointment at Eecleston, which was to have been the plum of the week. Owing to illness, the bells could not be raised, and owing to death at Aldford, the " listeners " could not use their tower. The party broke up into two handbell companies after watching a demonstration of how not to row, and subsequently of how not to swim at the Ferry.
On Friday, at Pulford, Cambridge did not seem to go. But the Guild rang its first touch of London and three courses of Thingem Bob Major, which was promptly named Granta Bob Major. In the afternoon there was a 16 -mile drive to Frodsham, where an excellent peal of Cambridge was rung, while the " listeners" sampled luncorn bells. As many members had to leave early on Saturday, it was impossible to go for a peal at Gresford, so touches of Cambridge, Grandsire, Stedman, Double Norwich and Plain Bob were rung. During the week, the maggonette was most ably conducted by Mr. G. R. Newton, who, with Mr. Wilde, was largely responsible for the success of the week's tour. And they are both open to invitation for peals of London, Cambridge and Granta.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

district mecting of the Ely Archdeacoury was held at Ickleton on Saturday last. A company of 24 sat down to a meat tea provided in the Schoolroom, the following places being represented: Cambridge, Sawston, Shelford, Stansted, Barley, Chesterford, Fen Ditton, Long Stanton, Melbourn, and the local band.-Mr. A. Wilkerson presided at the business meeting.-It was decided to hold the next district meeting at Melbourn on October 11th.-A vote of thanks was passed for the use of bells and Schoolroom, the Chairman remarking that they were very pleased to come to Ickleton, and it might be of a little interest to them to know that he rang his first 120 changes at that tower some years ago.-Mr. P. Webb, in reply, explained that the Vicar was away from home, and for that reason they had been unable to have a service that day, but the Vicar had written to say he would willingly give the use of the bells and of the Schoolroom for the tea, and he wished them a good meeting.-During the afternoon and evening several methnds were rung from Grandsiro Doubles to Cambridge Surprise, to enable all to have a pull. The handbells were also brought into use.
WORKSOP.-On July 27th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major ( 1280 changes), in 48 mins. : H. Haigh (conductor) 1, H. H. Cartwright 2, C. Hudson 3, W. Johnson 4, A. Johnson 5, C. II. Bird (Scunthorpe) 6, C. F. Pick 7, T. Wilson 8. Rung to welcome home the Vicar (the Rev. J. G. A. D'Aroy), after an absence of eight weeks from the parish through illness.
TOTVENHAM.-At St. Ann's Church, on July 27th, to commemorate Davidson 3, T. King 4, W. Powell 5, J. Hunt (conductor) 6.


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## THE LATE MR. S. T. WRIGHT.

## a Loss to hartilepool ringing

The late Mr. S. T. Wright, of West Hartlepool, whose death at the age of 39 years, we briefly recorded last week, was one of the keenest of ringers, always ready to ring himself or to help others. Unfortunately he was not able to advance as he would have wisherl, as his opportunities were to some extent limited. He joined the St. Oswald's band, West Hartlepool, immediately after the dedication of the bells in 1904. The ringers were all of them beginners, but under the instruction of Mr. T. Metcalfe, of Middlesbrough, made rapid headway, and within a year, two of the company, Mr. Wright being one of them, got through a peal of Bob Major. Mr. Wright, indeed, proved a most apt pupil, and soon developed into a capable conductor. He spen much time in study, and became quite an adept at conducting Grandsire Caters. His peal list was not f. large one-about 24 in all, of which 14 were rung for the Dutham and Newcastle Association, and

ten for the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association. The methods included Grandsire Triples and Caters, Stedman Triples and Caters, Bob Major, and Kent Treble Bob Major and Royal.
His fellow ringers at $S_{t}$. Oswald's feel the loss of so able a colleague very keenly. Mr. Wright was always most regular in the discharge of his duties at the tower, and kept the band well together. It is hoped that in time his two sons will join the band and follow in their father's footsteps. Mr. Wright leaves a widow and three children to mourn their loss.
The funeral of the deceased took place on Wednesday week, and was attended by a large number of Mr. Wright's fellow workmen from the shipyard of Messrs. Irvme and Co., where he was employed, as well as by the ringers and sidesmen of St. Oswald's Church. From the house to the church the coffin was borne by the ringers and sidesmen in turn (Mr. Wright having been a sidesman), and the impressive service, which was choral, was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. H. Robinson). The coffin was also borne shoulder high to the cemetery, and over the open grave a course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells. Afterwards, 504 Grandsire Triples was rung on the muffiled bells of the Parish Church.

## AN EXPLANATION WANTED.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-Should this meet the eye of the gentleman for whom a peal was arranged at Galleywood on Sept. 1st, will he kindly explain why seven others who met there to attempt a peal with him have heard nothing more from him? Practically the same band have met on four occasions, and each time one has failed to turn up, while on one occasion they captured 'a false composition. On August Bank Holiday seven only turned up, and the same thing would have happened the following evening at Widford had not a wire been sent for a ninth man. Although it was an excellent peal on this occasion, the unfortunate conductor hat selected a false composition. In the case of Galleywood, someone has to be there long before the others, supplied with grease for the bells, to examine the ropes and to get the lamps trimmed before a start can be made. Now, several of those engaged have to get time off, and some have to lose it; some have to hire cycles, and some put off other engagements. However keen one may be on peal ringing, a little more of this treatment would be enough to make one threw the whole thing up in disgust. When several parishes are represented, and ringers take the trouble to cycle 18 and 14 miles the single journey, it is not very encouraging for those who have the arrangements to make.-Faithfully yours.
W. LINCOLN.

UPPER DEAL.-On June 24th, 720 Kent: H. C. Castle 1, J. Trinder 2, F. A. Holden 3, R. H. Stevens 4, P. Gibbs (King's Own Regiment) 5, ${ }^{*}$ C. Turner 6 Also touches of Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury, Oxford Bob, College Single, with L. Ladd, J. Axon, G. Fenn and F. Rogers taking part.-On June 26th, combined practice with Wickhambreaux band resulted in Oxford and Kent and Bob Minor, W. Martin (Ash), ringing his first touch of minor.

## WASHBROOK'S PRINCIPLE.

## To the Editor

Dear Sir,-I am sorry the Rev. H. Law James has mixed up the above question with that of the bogey Stedman, as it is well-known all members of his committee do not see through the same glasses on this point. However, with your permission, I will state my views and reasons upon the above principle as stated in the Method Committee's report.

When first I looked at the published section, I saw at a glance no bell had a " dodging hunt," and as all the old Surprise methods contain that quality, I concluded this could not be classed as Surprise. I next examined its construction for place-making, etc. Here I found places were not made uniformly, nor proportionate, and thus it is not of symmetrical in buik, but asymmetrical, as the Rev. Law James has put it.
If there are gentlemen who are not acquainted with the essential details, of good method building, let me ask them to turu up Snowdon's " Standard Methods," and take the trouble to compare the constructional places made in the four last rows with the four first rowe of any lead of the same Surprise method; or, in fact, any four rows of the last half with the corresponding four of first lalf of the lead of the same method-Kent or Oxford Treble Bob, if ycu choose. They will find that each set of four rows are an exact counterpart of the other, but reversed. In fact, the last half and the first half of a lead of all these good old methods, as we have been ringing them for upwards of a hundred years, are a counter-part of one another. Some new ones have been obtained upon the same lines, and I saw no reason why any departure from the condition should be made in this case, for it is not a question of fancy nor feeling, but of hard facts, which can be proved by anyone who will test the old methods, as I have pointed out.

While admitting the principle is musical, I may be pardoned if I point out that this quality alone will not make a good method. But couple it with sound method building, and you then get a principle or method of enhanced value. As to its being a "cramp" method to ring, if I were asked I should say not, as I consider when you have a method in which you have to keep hunting about for a job here and there, as in Loudon, then it is you get something hard to ring. While others may differ, this is my view, but practice removes difficulties. Of course, there is no law to prevent this method being practised, and those who say it is despised are in error, as we have no feeling in the matter. The Methods Committee have simply stated the facts of the case. Had they not done so, they would lave failed in the duties entrusted to them.
H. DAINS.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

One of the best attended meetings which the Bolton branch havo held took place at Horwich Parish Church on Saturday, when 36 members were present from Bolton, Walkden, Newchurch, Tyldesley, Chorley, and Hindley, with some of the local company. Excellent touches of Stedman, Treble Bob and Grandsire were rung. - At the meeting which followet, Mr. H. W. Jackson, treasurer of the Association, was voted to the chair. He remarked upon the pleasure which it gave him to be in Horwich tower once more, as he had not been in it for 30 years.- At the conclusion of the meeting, a rote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the local ringers for having everything in readiness.

The monthly meeting of the Rochdale branch was held at St. Mary's, Oldham, on Saturday, when there was a very good gathering of ringers.-Mr. J. Ogden was elected branch secretary and committeeman for two years, and Mr. W. Crabtree was elected as president for one year.-It was decided to hold the next meeting at Newhey on October 25th.-A vote of condolence was passed to Mrs. W. Schofield, of Rochdale, on ber recent bereavement, her late husband having for some years been a useful member of the Exercise. -Ringing was indulged in during the afternoon and evening, the methods rung being: Grandsire Triples, Caters and Cinques, Stedman Triples, and Treble Bob Royal and Maximus.

## EXETER CATHEDRAL BELLS.

Ringing upon the Cathedral bells was the chief objective of the St. Mary's, Taunton, ringers when they visited Exeter for their annual outing. These bells are, as is well known, the heaviest ringing peal in the world, the tenor being 72 cwt. 2 qrs. 2 lbs ., and permission having been given by the Dean and Chapter for the bells to be rung, the visitors brought round some very good touches upon them, including 723 Stedman Caters. When the ringing concluded, the ten bells were lowered in peal, and the visitors went on to St. Sidwell's, where further touches of Stedman Caters were rung. The remainder of the time on the visit was spent in visiting the Minseum, and a pleasant halfhour with the Exeter ringers. The Guild wish, through "The Ringing World," to thank the Deall and Chapter, and the Vicar of St. Sidwell's for the use of the bells, ank Messrs. Shepherd, Bartlett and Monkley for helping to make the outing such a successful and enjoyable one.

## TAUNTON RINGERS' MOTOR TRIP

The annual outing of the St. James' Guild, Taunton, took place on Saturday. The party, which numbered 18, included the Vicar (the Rev. Dr. Dixon), Mr. Churchwarden Montague, and three other friends, and they left the church gates at 7 a.m., by motor-car, for Crewkerne, a distance of about twenty miles. Here it was intended to have the first ring, but as, through some misunderstanding, no answer had been received to the application for permission to use the tower, no ringing was done. A short stop was, however made for breakfast, after which the party proceeded to Beaminster, Dorset, about 10 miles distant. Here Mr. D. G. Taylor, of Ilminster', was awaiting them, and he remained with the party for the rest of the day. The tower was visited, and the bells, a fine peal of eight, by Bilbie (tenor 26 cwt .) were raised in peal, and several touches of Grandsire and Stedman Thiples and Bob Major brought round. Afterwards a short spin brought the visitors to Bradpole, where they were received by Mr. T. H. Beams. The tower contains a peal of eight (tenor 13 cwt.) in good going order, and Stedman and Bob Major were rung. The Vicar visited the church, and gave the Guild a hearty welcome, expressing a wish to see them again in the near future. At Bridport, the next stopping place, to which the visitors were accompanied by Mr. Beams, the party were net by a former old and respected member of the Guild. Lunch was excellently served at the Greyhound Hotel, and presided over by Dr. Dixon. The toast list was a short one. "The King " was given from the chair, and a verse of the National Anthem sung.-"Suocess to St James' Guild " was proposed by Mr. Taylor, and enthusiastically re ceived with the singing of "They are jolly good fellows" by the visitors. "The Charman" brought the list to a close, the aim being to get to the Parish Church for another ring. Here the bells were set going to Stedman Triples, several touches being rung, while on the miniature set of handbells a touch of Grandsire Triples was rung by: T. Doble 1-2, G. H. Yendall 3-4, H. J. Toole 5-6, J. Maddock 7-8. yme Regis was the next objective, and here the Vicar awaited the party at the Church Gates. After a hearty welcome, he conducted them to the belfry, where touches of Stedman were rung on the light peal of eight, with tenor 10 cwt . After tea, a stroll was taken on the beach, but was brought to a rather abrupt ending by rain. Leaving Lyme Regis at 6 p.m., it was intended to visit Axminster, but the rain continuing, "straight home" was the order, Taunton being reached at 845. It was the intention of the Guild to ring in three counties, but the absence of a reply from Crewkerne cut Somerset out, while the rain prevented a call at Axminster, thus cutting out Devon.-The party wish, through "The Ringing World," to thank the incumbents for the use of the bells, the steeplekeepers for having everything in readiness Mr Beams for his assistance and all others cverything in readiness, Mr. Beams for his assistance, and all others
wino helped in making the outing such a success.

## THE MIBBLESEX ASSOCIATION.

## A LINTK WITH EARLY DAYS.

A very successful meeting of the North and East District of the Middlesex Association and London Diocesan Guild was held on Saturday last at Edgware. In beautiful September weather some 36 mem bers and friends gathered together from Barnet, Clerkenwell, Finchley, Gospel Oak, Hadley,-Harrow Weald, Hendon, Hornsey, Southgate, stamford Hill. Stanmore, Walthamstow and Willesden, with Messrs. A. Hubbard (Putney), J. Rayner (Holborn), and F. Wilford (hon. sec. of the Central Northants Association). Ringing commenced shortly before 4 o'clock, and continued until tea-time. At the business meeting, which followed, four new members were elected.-Mr. F. A. Milne (vice-president) proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector (the Rev. H. II. Phelps) for the use of the bells, and to the captain of the locai agers (Mr. George Hall) for his efforts on behalf of the members
This was seconded by the Hon. Secretary (Mr. C. T. Coles), who said flat it was many years since the Association had met at Edgware. This tower was, he added, one of the first to become affiliated to the old North Middlesex Association, and afterwards, with the neighbouring towers of Finchley and Hendon, became part of the Middlesex Association, which eventually amalgamated with the S. and W. Middlesex Guild, to form the present County Association. The Edgware band was, therefore, a link with those days when the society was in its infancy, and be hoped that they would go on and prosper, and once more become one of the foremost bands in the county.-Mr. G. Halls replied, welcoming the members to Edgware, and eaying that it was a oreat pleasure to meet them.
The bells were afterwards kept going until nearly nine o'clock in Rarious methods, including Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain BoL, Double Court and College Single, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Minor. Under the guidance of Mr. G. Hughes, a few ringers visited Stanmore, where Plain and Treble Bob were rung, the party returning Edgware just as the meeting was finally dispersing party returning pleasant gathering, which, it is hoped, willi be repeated in the near tuture.

IRUGBY.-St. Andrew's Society.-At the Parish Church, on August changes), in 52 min6.: A. L. Coleman Norwich Court Bob Major (1280 Changes), in 52 mins.: A. L. Coleman 1. W. Malins (conductor) 2, $\mathbf{H}$ O. White 3, W. Tayler 4, C. W. Wheeler 5, J. B. Fenton 6, J. W.

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

WHITFEIELD.-At All Saints' Church, on August 3rd, being the first anniversary of the new bells, 1200 Grandsire Triples, for morning service, in 50 mins.: $\$$. Morris (conductor) 1, F. E. Bradshaw 2, M. Morris 3, J. Chapman 4, A. Hardman (Radeliffe) 5, W. Chambers 6, R. Lever 7, T. Hesketh 8.
PUTNEY.-At the Parish Church, on July 30th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major ( 1264 changes), in 48 mins.: H. Whandslaw 1, G. Honeyball 2, W. Honeyball 3, T. Bolton 4, A. Hubbard (composer and conductor) 5, C. Collis, junr., 6, A. Jones 7, J. Herbert 8.

ROYSMON.-Hertfordshire Association.-On August 1st, at St. John. the Baptist's, 720 of St. Clement's Minor: H. Bennett 1, E. Bonnett 2, R. Hqward (Barley) 3, L. G. Mallion (Fen Ditton) 4, S. E. Roberts 5, R. G. King (conductor) 6.
STRATTON S'. MARGARET, WILTS-On July 31st, at St. Mar garet's Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: T. Moulden 1, R. W. Hyner 2, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 3, G. Lancaster 4, D. W.'Jackson (first 720) 5, W. G. Lancaster 6.

SWINDON, WIL'IS.-On August 5th, at Christ Church, 1088 Double Norwich: A. Lawrence 1, E. Bishop 2, R. W. Hyner (conductor) 3, J. II. Odey 4, G. Lancaster 5, W. G. Lancaster 6, L. A. Wilson (longest touch) 7, C. J. Gardiner 8.
BISHOP'S STORTEORD, HERTS - On July 20th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: W. Rickett 1, F Bird 2, P. C. Springham 3, H. M. White 4, H. Champness 5, H. J. Tucker (composer and conductor) 6, W. Wilkinson 7, C. Ridgewell 8. For evening service, 587 Grandsire Triples: P. O. Springham 1, F. Bird (conductor) 2, P. Springham 3, H. M. White 4, H. Champness 5, W. W. Tucker 6, W. Wilkinson 7, H. J. Tucker 8. The above date was the 93 rd anniversary of the opening of the bells.

RINGWOULD, KENT.-On June 28th, 240 each of Canterbury and Plain Bob, and 360 Grandsire Doubles: H. C. Castle, J. Trinder, F. Rogers, G. Fenn, F. A. Holden and O. Brackley (local band).

WOLLASTON.-On Sunday, July 6th, 720 Bob Minor: C. Richards. 1, J. Slater 2, W. Atkins 3, C. E. Perkins 4, J. Bass (conductor) 5, J. Bretherton 6.

HIGH WYCOMBE.-At All Saints' Church, the occasion of the marriage of Mr. H. Duncan Scott, of Egypt, to Miss W. M. B. Green, 1265 Stedman Caters in 51 mins.: R. Coles 1, G. White 2, E. Markham 3, W. Phipps 4, J. W. Wilkins (composer and conductor) 5, J. Gransbury 6, A. F. Ashman 7, B. Page 8, F. Hayes 9, F. W. Boxall 10. Also 1299 in the same method: F. Hayes (composer and conductor) 1, J. Gransbury 2, C. E. Mayne (first quarter of Caters) 3, A. F. Ashman 4, R. Coles 5, W. Thipps 6, 13. Page 7, G. White 8, J. W. Wilkins 9, F. W. Boxall 10.

SCARBOMOUGH, YORKS.-On July 7th, 720 Bob Minor, 7 and 8 covering, in 33 mins.: J. Fryiers 1, H. Gibson 2, A. E. Fourt 3, W Rock-Small 4, F. Davison 5, J. R. Barton (conductor) 6, T. Coles 7, J. W. Bourne 8, The ringers of the third and fourth hail from Isham and Tipton respectirely.-On July 15th, 338 Grandsire Triples: A Ditehburn 1, J. Fryiers 2, T. Wardman 3, H. Gibson 4, F. Darison , A. E. Tourt 6, J. R. Barton (conductor) 7, T. Cole 8.
TENTERDEN, KENT.-After an unsuccessful attempt for a peal on July 9th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. H. Lambert 1, J. J. Manktelow 2, F. G. Burden 3, N. Tickner 4, C. W. Player 5, I. Emery (conductor) 6, A. Allen 7, G. Johnson 8.

BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.-On July 9th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, 52 mins. : H. Sear (conductor) 1, J. Mead 2, L. Meager 3, F. Hedges 4, E. Marks 5, W. Pether (first quarter-peal) 6, W. Sear 7, V. Sear 8. Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Miss Mabel Hands, of Bletchley, to Mr. Hernsby, of Greens Norton, Northants, the band, as well as the composer (Mr. J. George), wishing them every happiness.

LIVERPOOL.-At St. Nicholas' Church on July 11th, 1206 Grandsire Caters: E. Breeze, junr., 1. T. Hammond, junr., 2, G. R. Newton (conductor') 3, G. Woodhall 4, T. Murray 5, E. Caunce 6, H. W. Wilde 7, G. Fisher 8, E. Breeze, semr., 9, W. Davies 10. Rang on the occasion of the risit to Liverpool of the King and Queen.
BARKING, ESSEX.-On July 13th, for morning service, a quarterpeal of Kent Treble Bob Major, in 47 mins: G. Fenn (conductor) 1 M. E. Parker 2, F. Russell (first in the method) 3, G. Cottis 4, E. Andrews 5, J. Norris 6, R. Fenn 7, A. C. Hardy 8.
GUILDFOR.D.-On July 13th, for evening service, at Holy Thinity Church, 504 Stedman Triples, rung as a compliment to C. Burdock on his coming of age: C. Burdock 1, C. Willshire, junr., 2, H. Hutton 3, C. Hazelden 4, H. Burdock 5, B. Chorley 6, C. Willshire 7, A. H Pulling (conductor) 8.
BIRIMNGGHAM.-At Bisiop Ryder's Church, on July 13th, for erening service, a quarter-peal Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins., with the bells muffled as a mark of respect to the late Rev. J. Phelps Gardiner, formerly Vicar: S. Coley 1, A. T. Scrivens 2, J. B. Collett 3 W. F. Wobb 4, J. T. Perry (conductor) 5, W. H. Carrod 6, G. A Taylor 7, J. Porter 8

## NOTICES.

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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOU'THS. -Established 1637 . - Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on September 3oth; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 25 th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 30 th; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays; St. Magnus, 7.30 ; the others, 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD. - The next meeting of this Guild will be held at Woolton, on Saturday, September 20th. Particulars by circular. - Rev. W.T. Bulpit and W. Bentham, Hon. Secretaries.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester Dis-trict.-The annual meeting of this district will be held at Borden on Saturday, September 2oth. Tower open from 3.30 ; tea at the Maypole Inn at 5.30 (3d. per member will be charged), followed by business meeting.-Edward A. G. Allen, Honorary Secretary, 77, Bill Street Road, Frindsbury, Rochester.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Northern Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Redditch on Saturday, September 20th. Service in the Parish Church of St. Stephen at 4.30 ; business meeting, and tea, kindly provided by the Vicar, at $5 \cdot 30$. The election of officers for this branch will take place at this meeting.-E. J. Dowler, Branch Secretary, 9, Edward Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Southwell on Saturday, September 2oth. Ringing from 2 o'clock. Service in the Cathedral at + . Committee Meeting at $4 \cdot 45$, followed by tea ( $\mathrm{I} /-$ each) in the National Schools. An excursion train will leave Nottingham, M.R., at I.55. —IV. E. White, Honorary Secretary.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824). -Northern District.-The next meeting will be held on September 2oth at St. Anne's, Highgate. Bells available at 4.30 p.m. Business meeting at 8 p.m. All cordially invited.-J. Cornford, Hon. Secretary, 7 d , Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.A meeting for practice will be held at Broughton on September 2oth. Bells available from 3.-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-Dale.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.--Manchester Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Christ Church, Barlow Moor, Didsbury, on Saturday, September 2oth. Bells available at 4 p.m., meeting at 7 .-W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.A quarterly meeting will be held at Evercreech on Saturday, September 20th. Service in the Parish Church at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at the Institute at $4 . \mathrm{I} 5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting to follow.-E. E. Burgess, Honorary Secretary, Taunton.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIA-TION.-Quarterly meetings will be held at Rothwell on Saturday, September 2oth, and Castle Ashby on Saturday, September 27th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. - F. Wilford, General Secretary.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern Division.-A Quarterly Meeting of the above will be beld at Mayfield ( 8 bells) on Saturday, September 2oth. Tower open from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m., 6 d , each, to members.-George H. Howse, Hon. Sec.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOC-IETY.-The monthly meeting of the above society will be held at Holbeck on September 2oth. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Business meeting, at 7 p.m., in the Parish Room, near the church.-F. Hopwood, Secretary, 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdylke.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-A practice will take place ar Sepulchre's, Snow Hill, on Thursday, September 25 th, at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The headquarters will from this date be at the King of Denmark, Old Bailey.-F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-A monthly meeting will be held at Dunchurch on Saturday, September 27 th. Bells (6) available at 3.30 p.m.-Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The September meeting will be held at Middleham on Saturday, Sept. 27th, I9I3. Bells of the Parish Church, 8, tenor I8 cwt., are available for ringing all day. Dinner and tea by the kind invitation of the St. Alkelda's Guild. Those intending to be at this meeting must notify the Hon. Sec. not later than Tuesday, Sept. 23rd, ig13, first post, or they cannot be provided for.T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Southern Branch). - A meeting for practice will take place at Little Comberton on Saturclay, September 27 th. Bells available from 3 p.m.-J. Hemming, Branch Secretary.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-Quarterly meeting at Penn on Saturday, September 27 th. Bells available at 3. Service at $5 \cdot 30$, with address by the Vicar. Tea (9d.) at 6, at Rose and Crown. Trams leave Railway Drive, Wolverhampton, for Penn Fields (half way) every seven minutes. Please reply by Tuesday, $23^{\text {rd }}$ inst.-H. Knight, Honorary Secretary, $\mathrm{I}_{5}$, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Milton Ernest on Saturday, September 27th. - John W. Barker, District Hon. Secretary.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. - The next meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday, October 4th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. All ringing friends will be welcomed. Members are reminded that all outstanding subscriptions should now be paid.-H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS. -The annual meeting will be held at Liverpool on Saturday, October 4th. Service at St. Nicholas Church at 4 p.m. Preacher: the Lord Bishop of Liver-pool.-W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Honorary Secretaries.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District.-Quarterly meeting at Bramley, Saturday, Oct. 4th. Bells (6) from 4 o'clock. Service 5.30. Tea and meeting 6.-Francis G. Hume, Oakley, Basingstoke.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824).-The eleventh annual grand Bohemian concert of the Association will be held on Saturday, October inth, 1913, at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, City. Doors open 7.15 p.m., commence $7.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Admission by programme, price sixpence, which may be obtained from all officers of the Association and others. Ladies specially invited.-F. J. Hardy, Hon. General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

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There will be ringing at St. Giles' Church, Northampton, during the day on Friday, the 23rd, for the King's visit. All ringers will be welcome at the tower.

## SILVER WEDDING.

To commemorate the silver wedding of Mr. Robert Leach, an attempt was made for a peal of Grandsire Triples at St. Paul's Church, Ramsbotiom, Lancs, on Saturday week, but unfortunately " stand " had to be called after 1640 changes had been rung in 53 minutes, owing to one of the ringers being seized with cramp in both arms, which he could not use for several minutes. The band was: Robert Leach 1. J. II. Haydock 2, J. Ashworth 3, D. Eastwood 4, J. T. Leach 5, W. Taylor 6, J. B. Taylor 7, J. W. Ormerod 8. It was decided to make another attempt at Newchurch on the following Monday evening, but again disappointment was in store, for two of the band were on ihe siek list, and by the time the vacancies were filled, it was too late to start for the full 5040 . A half peal, from Taylor's six-part, was, therefore, rung in 1 hr 23 mins., by: J. Taylor 1, S. Lord 2, R. Leach 3. J. T. Haydock 4, J. T. Leach 5. W. Taylor (conductor) 6, J. B. Taylor 7, O. Eastwood 8

SHREWSBURY.-On July 27th, for morning servioe, at the Church of St. Chad, on the front eight, 252 Stedman Triples: C. R. Lilley conductor) 1, P. Brooks 2, W. J. Taylor 3, J. W. Jones (Newport, Mon.) 4, E. Jones 5, A. Tecoe 6, A. Fullick 7, J. Wall 8. Also 576 Kent Treble Bob Major: E. Jones 1, G. J. Taylor 2, J. W. Jones 3, W. J. Taylor 4, W. R. Stockclale 5, F. W. Taylor 6, A. Fullick 7, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 8.
STISTED, ESSEX.-On July 27th, for evening service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: A. Saunders 1, O. Laver 2, G. Arnold 3, E. Chaplin 4, A. Chaplin 5, E. Ridgwell (oonductor) 6.

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MODERN WORK.

## CHELMSFORD'S NEW BELLS.

The event at Chelmsford to-morrow-the dedication of the new peal of twelve at the Cathedral-is one of no small irtierest to ringers generally, while to the ringers of Essex it is one of considerable importance. The increasing of a ring of bells to twelve is not an every day occurrence, and if for that reason only the proceedings in the Essex county town are of special interest to ringers. Again, one of the first events of importance in the newly created diocese is to be one in which the bells are to play a primary part, and in which the ringers will have an important share. It is some years now since an English cathedral provided a new peal of twelve. Speaking from memory, we believe Christ Church, Oxford, was the last, and, of course, in that case the bells are hung in an unconsecrated tower. The rarity of the occasion, therefore, is sufficient to arouse a special interest in the proceedings.

To the ringing community of Essex the matter is an important one, for it provides the county with its first ring of twelve bells. Moreover, the Essex Association has itself presented one of the treble bells, and the gift will provide a fitting testimony to the desire of ringers to contribute their share to this portion of the church's equipment. Unquestionably it is of great advantage to ringers to have within reach a peal of twelve to practice upon, and when those who will reap this adrantage themselves contribute substantially towards it, they are giving proof of their readiness to help themselves in the advancement of the Art as well as to advance the higher cause for which bells are primarily erected. To-morrow should be a great day for Essex ringers, who may be relied upon to gather from the four corners of the diocese to share in the consummation of so grand an undertaking as that of the erection of a peal of twelve bells in their own Cathedral tower.

We have already remarked upon the rarity of new twelve-bell rings. Chelmsford will raise the total peals of this number to 33 in England, which is just 20 more than there were a century ago, when William Shipway published the list in his "Campanologia." London at that time contained seven of the thirteen, of which one-Christ Church, Spitalfields-was afterwards lost by fire. St. Paul's and Bow have since come into being. In i816 Birmingham, Cambridge, Cirencester, Liverpool, Norwich and Shrewsbury were the only twelves in the provinces. The growth in the peals of twelve bells has been slow, in comparison with the pace at which the peals of eight and ten have grown, yet it cannot be considered altogether unsatisfactory, when one remembers that it means that one new peal of twelve has been provided on an average every five vears, and this through a period in the early part of the rgth century, when bell restoration was very much neglected.

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## TEN BELL PEALS.

GUILDFORD, SURREY. THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Guildford District.)
On Wednesday, September 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,

> A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;
> Tenor 23 cwt., in E .
> *Edward Raddon ... ...Treble |*William Loader ... ... 6
> *C. Henry Hutton ... ... 2 ©Charles Hazelden ... 7
> †Thomas W. Radford ... 3 Septimus Radford... ... 8
> Willoughby E. Maulden 4 Frank Blondell ... ... 9
> Charles Willshire ... 5 Alfred H. Puliing ...Tenoy Composed by G. Lindoff, and Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.
> *First peal in the method. + First peal of Treble Bob Royal. First peal of Royal by the ringers of treble, 4 th and 6 th. This is the first peal of Treble Bob Royal for the Guild by a resident band, and all the ringers were Guildford men.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (Sheffield District Society.)
On Saturday, Scptember 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS. 5101 CHANGES; Tenor $24 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
George Lewis ... ... ...Treble Thomas Bettison ... ... 6 Walter Allwood ... ... 2 George Hollis ... ... 7 Arthur Knights ... ... 3 William Lambert ... ... 8 Rev. A. T. Beeston ... 4 John Flint ... ... ... 9 John Holman ... ... ... 5 George W. Bembrose ...Tenor

Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by George Lewis.

## WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Matthew,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 6000 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt .
†Christopher Hick ... ...Treble |†Edwin J. Tyler ... ... 6 †Edgar Marlow... ... ... 2 *Bert Horton ... ... ... 7 *Alfred Adams ... ... ... 3 †Thomas Hill ... ... ... 8 †Edgar T. Smith ... ... 4 Alfred Rowley ... ... 9
 Composed by York Green, and Conducted by Thomas J. Elton.

* First peal of Royal. f First peal of Treble Bob Royal. $\ddagger$ First peal of Treble Bob Royal as conductor. Rung on the eve of St. Matthew's Day, and to commemorate the jooth anniversary of the appointment of the first rector to this church.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BARROW GURNEY, NEAR BRISTOL. GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturduy, September 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin and St. Edward the Martyr,

## A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.
-George Tomkins ... ...Tveble| Henry Pring ... ... ... 5

* Edgar Guise ... ... ... 2 George Condick, Junr. ... 6

Harry Brownjohn ......$\quad 3 \quad 3 \quad$ Johin A. Burford ......
*Raymond J. Wilkins ... 4 William A. Cave ... ... Tenor
Composed by William Sottenstall, and
Conducted by William A. Cave.

* First peal of Bristol. First Surprise peal on the bells. The band wish to thank the Vicar (Rev. E. M. Lance), for the use of the bells, and the steeplekeeper for meeting them and having everything ready.


## MITCHAM, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES; Joseph A. Lambert ... ...Treble Alfred J. Trappitt ... 5 Alfred H. Winch ... ... 2 Robert Grimwood ... ... 6 David Wriget ...... Benjamin Morriss $. . . \quad . . . \quad 4$ William S. Smith ... ... Tenoy Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood, and Conducted by William S. Simith.

KENNINGHALL, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Scptember 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor if cwt. I qr. iz lbs.

Sidney Gaskin ... ... ...Treble Frederick A. Poulson... 2
*Horace Haylett ... ... 3
 Composed by G. H. Cross, and Conducted by F. C. Burrows.

* First peal of Major and first attempt.


## LUTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Septenber 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF dOUBLE NORWICH COURT bOB MAJOR, 5024 Changeg ;

## Tenor ig cwt.

- Walter Payne...

| .Treble | Ernest Herbert |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ... 2 | Stanley Dobbie | . |
| ... 3 | *Horace Smith |  |
| ... 4 | John WV. Barker | . ...Teno |

Miss Evelyn Steel
 Albert King ... ... ... 4 John WV. Barker ... ...Tenoy Composed and Conducted by John W. Barker.
First peal in the method.

## NORTON, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Ost Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
a PEAL of crandsire triples, 5040 Changes;
Holt's Ten-Part.
IVilliam Biggin ... ...Treble $\begin{array}{ccccc}\text { Joseph Atkin } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots . . & 2 \\ \text { Tom O'Hara } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 3 \\ { }^{\text {G/ George Freder }}\end{array}$ ${ }^{\text {a George Frederick Allen }} 4$ Conducted by W. Biggin. $\begin{array}{lcccc}\text { Sam Thomas } & \ldots & \ldots & \cdots & 5 \\ \text { John Thorpe } & \ldots & \cdots & \cdots & 6 \\ \text { Richard W. Collier } & \cdots & 7 \\ \text { John Holman } & & & & \end{array}$ John Holman ... ... ...Tenor
*First peal with an inside bell.

## HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, September 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,

\section*{A PEAL OF Stedman triples, 5040 Changes;} Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 8 cwt . o qr. 3 lbs ., in A flat. Edgar Pemberton ... ...Treble Rev. William C. Pearson William J. Nevard... ... Willie Rooghton ... ... 6 | George | N. Price | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | James Motts | ... | ... | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | - First peal.

CODDENHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, September 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Holt's Original. Tenor 16 cw .2 qr 2 lbs ., in F sharp.

Willie Roeghton ... ...Treble $\mid \underset{\text { William J. Nevard ... }}{ } 5$ \begin{tabular}{ll:ll|lll}
George N. Price $\ldots . .$. \& 2 \& Ernest F. Poppy \&... \&... \& 6 <br>
Rev. William C. Pearson \& 3 \& James Motts \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& 7

 

Rev. William C. Pearson \& 3 \& James Motts \& $\ldots$ \&... \&.. \& 7 <br>
Edgar Pemberton \& $\ldots$ \&... \& 4 \& Charles A. Ward \& ... \& $\ldots$ Tenor
\end{tabular} Conducted by George N. Price.

This was Charles Ward's second peal and it is believed to be the first occasion on which a ringer has scored his first two peals on the same day.

## KIRTON-IN-HOLLAND.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, September 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes, At ihe Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
a PEAL OF Little bob major, 5088 Changes; Tenor 17 cwt .

- Johm H. Brothwell ...Treble |*John W. Seamer ... ... 5
- Arthur Andrews ... ... 2 John T. Holmes ... ... 6

Clement Glenn $\ldots . . . . .3 \mid$ 'Sidney F. Palmer...
 Composed by E. Barnett, and Conducted by Clement Glenn.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.


## PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Septomber 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-fve Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGE $;$
Tenor 7 cwt . 3 qr. 6 lbs .


* First peal in the method. First peal of Bristol in Suffolk.


## UXBRIDGE, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tucsday, Septcmber 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF STED $M A N$ TRIPLES, 5040 Changes;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Tenor r23 cwt.
Joseph J. Pratt ... ...Treble
Percy E. Jones ... ... 2
William Hexley ... ... 3 Richard Buckland ... ...

| George H. Gutteridge... | 4 | Henry H. Chandler | ... 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7 |  |  |  |

Conducted by Bertram Prevett.
H. H. Chandler's 5oth peal of Stedman.

ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Or Wedncslay, September 17, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Deny,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGE ;
Thurstans' Four-Part.
Tenor $24 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*E. Bishop, Junr.

- A. Bhop, Junr. ... ...Tyeble
*O. Harman ...
H. R. Butcher
$\begin{array}{ccc}\text { … } & \text {..Treble } \\ \ldots . & \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots . & \cdots & 3 \\ \ldots & \cdots & 4\end{array}$ *F. Hammond
- C. Brasier
Keith Hart Conducted by Keith Hart.
* First peal in the method. All the ringers, except the conductor, are members of the local band.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, September 17, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minuts, At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor If cwt.


* First peal on eight bells. First peal as conductor.


## LONDON.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, September 17, 1913, in Three Hou's and One Minute, At'the Chorch of St. John, Waterloo Road, S.E.,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;


Messrs. Peck and Burton were elected members previous to starting.

## EPSOM, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, September 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;



Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of 6th and 7 th. This was Arthur Dean's rooth peal for the Surrey Association. First peal in the method as conductor.

HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, September 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHARGES;
Tenor 193 cwt.
George A. Wightman ...Treble *William Burgess ... ... 5 George N. Price ... ... 2 George Wightmanae ... 6
 Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and Conducted by George N. Price.

* First peal in the method.


## LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (Late the St. James' Suciety.) On Thursday, September 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At Christ Church, Blackfriars,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES ; Tenor I8 cwt.

| Thomas Walker ... ...Treb | Charles W. R. Grimwood |
| :---: | :---: |
| * John W. Cornford | Alfred W. Grimes... |
| Christopher H. Hughes | Frederick J. Hardy |
| William J. Kemp | Arthur D. Ba | William J. Kemp ... ... 4 Arthur D. Barker $\ldots$...t Tenor Composed by T. DAy, and Conducted by Arthor D. Barker.

* First peal in the method.

SAMLESBURY, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Preston Branch.)
On Thursday, September 18, 1913, in Thiee Hours and Six Minutes,

## At the Church of St. Leonard-the-Less,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-Part.
Tenor igl cwt., in E.
Thomas Almond... ... ...Treble
Arthor Bailey ... E. Roger Martin John Bailey

Conducted by ${ }^{4}$
Robert J. Armstrong ... 5

- James Armstrong ... ... 6
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Edward Armstrong } \\ \text { Richard Broughton } & 7 \\ \text {....Tenor }\end{array}$
*First peal as conductor and first attempt. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Rev. W. Scholes, who was for nearly 32 years Vicar of Samlesbury.

NOITH STONEHAM, HANTS.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, September 18, 1813, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES;

| Ernest Dumper | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | Wili.iam Rowe...... | ... | 5 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Owen H. Giles | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Charles H. Russele | ... | 6 |
| Wileiam T. Tucker | $\ldots$. | 3 | William H. George | ... | 7 |  | William G. Edwards.. $.4 \begin{array}{lll} & 4 & \text { George Wileiams ... }\end{array}$... Teror Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and Conducted by William H. George.

* First peal with a bob bell. First peal of Major as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. Rowe.


## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, September 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Arthur H. White ... ...Treble Richard Stredwick ... 5 John T. Rickman ......$\quad 2$ Albert D. Stone ... ... 6 John Capp ... ... ... ... 3 William C. Hart ... ... 7 Edward C. Merritt ... 4 Keith Hart ... ... .... Tenoy Composed by C. Middleton, and Conducted by Keith Hart.

MATLOCK, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, September 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, Ar the Chorch of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF COB MAJOR, 5184 CHANQES;
Tenor 14 cwt.


* First peal of Major.

RAUNDS, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF DJUBLE NORWICH COURT bOb mAJOR, 5184 Chances;

 Tenor 22 cwt .| Arthur Chapman | ... | ...Treble | Alfred H. Martin | ... 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William Gilbert |  | 2 | Walter Perkins | 6 |
| Walter Gilbert | ... | .. 3 | Henry Stubbs ... ... | 7 |
| James Houghton | ... | 4 | Charles W. Clarke | ..Tenoz |

Composed by G. Lindoff, and
Conducted by Charles W. Clarke.
Rung as a birthday compliment to A. Chapman.

## ALDENHAM, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist.,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES 1 Taylor's Six-Part.
*Herbert A. Mead ... ...Tyeble Harry J. Wright ... ... 2 *John A. Childs ... ... 3 Waiter S Inwood ... Walter 5 . Inwood....... 4 *Arthor T. Franklin ...Tenor Conducted by Henry G. Rowe.
*First peal. Rung on the eve of St. Matthew's Day. Mr. Wright was re-elected a member of the Association previous to starting. He rang his last peal nearly 19 years ago. Mr. Rowe was on a visit from Cheshunt.

## BROXBOURNE, HERTS.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Augustine,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANEES;


Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Ernest Pye.
F. First peal of Surprise. Rung as a compliment to the Vicar (Rev. J. Salwey, M.A.) on his retirement after 34 years' service. Also as a Birthday compliment to the conductor, and to the wife of the ringer of the fifth.

## METHERINGHAM.

THE IINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
Or Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Wilfred,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thorstans' Four-Part. Frederick W. Stokes ...Treble Clement Glenn ... ... 2 Sidney F. Palmer ... ... 3 EDWard Itovi
… 3
Conducted by
Charles Cenor 8 cwt George Ladd ... -William Dickinson ... 7 John H. Brothwell ...Tenor 50th peal.

EPSOM, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September, 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At Christ Chorch,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES:
Tenor 12 cwt.
Charles E. Read ... ...Treble | Thos. Groombridge, Sent. 5 Walter S. Wise ... ... 2 Henry L. Garfath ... 6 Walter G. Rowe ... ... 3 William Groves ... ... 7 - Amos W. Clark … ... 4 | Arthur Dean ... .... Composed and Conducted by Walter S. Wise. * First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to William Graves.

## WALTHAMSTOW

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Tivelve-Part. Tenor $19 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$, in E flat.

John H. Wilkins ... ...Treble |Joserp B. Marks ... Robert Maynard, Sent.... 2 Albert A. Hughes... | William J. Kemp | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Henry Romens | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| James C. Adams | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 7 | 7 |  | James C. Adams ....... 4 Fred C. Maynard... ... Tenor

- First peal in the method. Rung, after meeting short for Grandsire Caters, as a birthday compliment to R. Maynard, Senr. J. H. Wilkins and F. C. Maynard were elected members previous to starting.

GATESHEAD, DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Two Houss and Fifty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Variation of Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor I5 cwt.


* First attempt to ring a peal in any method. Rung as a birthday compliment to Benjamin C. Dixon.


## EYE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Thvee Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANEES; Tenor 21 cwt.


* First peal in the method. Walter Last belongs to Sibton.

The composition of this peal and that rung at Helmingham has the $4^{\text {th }}$ and 6th ten courses each in 6th's place (extent) with 4 th and 6th reversed in $5-6$ without recourse to bobs "Before." It is a modern constructed peal, and the first composed and rung on its general plan of calling.

GARGRAVE, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
J. Heron, Junr's., Six-Part.

Tenor I6 cwt.


* First peal as conductor. This peal was rung as a farewell to the Ven. Archdeacon Kilner, M.A., who took his last service as vicar on the following day. His ordination as Bishop of Richmond will take place at York Minster on Monday next, September 29th. The Gargrave company wish to convey their thanks to Messrs. Bancroft and Bateman, of Keighley, for coming to help at the last moment to fill gaps caused by sickness.


## NORWICH

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael at Coslany,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES; Tenor I4t c cwt.
Edwin Whiting... ..Tyeble Ernest Whiting
John Snelling ... $\qquad$ . 2 Bertie F. Turner... 5
.6 George Snelling ... ... 3 | Frederick Seager ... George P. Burton ... ... 4 Frederick R. Borrett .... Tenor Composed by G. Lindoff, and . Conducted by Ediwin Whiting.

## WIDFORD.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES :
Henry W. Kirton ... ...Tyeble | *Henry Head ... ... ... 5
William Lincoln $\quad . .$.

Composed by Arthor Knights, and
Conducted by William Keeble.

* First peal in the method.

PORTSMOUTH, HANTS. THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas-a-Beckett,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor $25 \frac{7}{2}$ cwt.

Composed by F. A. Holden, and Conducted by A. H. Winch.

* I50th peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. W. Whiting.


## LEWISHAM.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,


Conducted by George H. Daynes.
Quickest peal on the bells.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

FINCHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Wednesday, September 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently.
Tenor $6 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.
H. Porter ...
...
.Treble
E. Barker..
A. Bacon
W. Hawes
B. M. Targett

Conducted by B. M. Targeti.
First peal on bells for Norwich Diocesan Association.

## RUSKINGTON.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, September 18, 1913, in Three Hours. At the Church of All Saints, A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGE ;
Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and three 720 's of Plain Bob.
Sidney F. Palmer ... ...Treble Arthur Andrews .......
John T. Holmes ... 3
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Tenor I2 cwt. } & & \\ \text { Clement Glenn } . . . & \cdots & 4 \\ \text { John H. Brothwell } & \cdots & 5 \\ \text { Rupert Richardson } & \ldots . \text { Tenor }\end{array}$ Conducted by Rupert Richardson.
First peal on the bells.

DITCHEAT, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, September 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of Plain Bob and Grandsire. Tenor 20 cwt . Thomas Merrifield ... ...Treble $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { Henry Milbourne... ... } 4\end{aligned}\right.$ Sidney Daive $\ldots . . . . . . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Ernest F. Creed ......
 Conducted by Ernest F. Creed.

* First peal. First peal on the bells.

CRANFORD, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Seplember 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes. At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:
Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor.
Joseph Saddingion
... ..
...Treble
William Hays
Pearl Inskip
Conducted by $\quad 3$
Harry Meadows
by Reginald C. Loveday.
BERGH HAPTON, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, September 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCE ;

Being seven 720 s each called differently, Tenor in cwt. George Howchin ... ...Tyeble ${ }^{\text {*Frank Kerrison }}$... ... 4 "Harry Royal ...... Cecil R. Chamberlin ... 3 †George H. Cross ... ... Tenow

- First peal. + First peal of Minor. 50th tower bell peal.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

ARKLOW, IRELAND.
THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday; September 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Eight Minutes, At Lamberton Lodge,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLE3, 5040 CHANCES;
Forty-two Six-Scores, ten callings.
Richard Kearon ... ... I-2 Arthur Hadley Charles Bennett ... $\ldots$... 5-6
Conducted by Artiur Hadley.
First peal by the ringers of $1-2$ and $5-6$, who only commenced. ringing six months ago.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
AND THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.
On Friday, September 19, 1913, in Tivo Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
In the Belfry of the Norman Tower,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES:

Arthur E. Moore … i-2 | Frederick Dewell ... 5-6.
Harry A. Turner $\cdots 3^{-. .}$3-4 | Frank J. Levitt ......
Composed by A. Knights, and
Conducted by A. E. Moore.
Umpire: Alfred Ely.
GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Saturday. September 20, 7913, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes. At Commercial House,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES ;
$\begin{array}{lccccccc}\text { Septimus Radford... } & \ldots & \text { 1-2 } & \text { John D. Matthews } & . . & 5-6 \\ \text { Alfred H. Pulifing } & \ldots & 3-4 & \text { Frank Blondell } . . . & \cdots & 7-8\end{array}$
Composed by John D. Matthews, and
Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.
Umpire: T. W. Radford (College Youths).
Rang as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Whittington, Cranleigh,
$E$. Raddon and the conductor.
BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.
On Sunday, September 21. 1913, in Two, Hours and Fifty-five Minutes. At the Residence of R. Moore,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;
Frederick Dewell ... $\mathrm{I}-2$ | Harry A. Turner... ... 5-6. Harry R. Moore... ... 3-4 | Arthur E. Moore ... 7 - 8 . Robert Moore, Sent. ... ... 9-io Composed by the late H. C. Haley, and Conducted by Arthur E. Monre.

Umpire: Frank Levitt.
First peal of Caters " in hand " by all, also by the above Association by a resident band.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## OFFICIAL MINUTES.

The second session of the eighth Council (twenty-third annual meeting) was held on Whitsun Tuesday, 13 th May, at 11 a.m., in the Lecture Theatre of the Mining Institute of Newcastle-on-Tyne, when there were present 44 out of 96 representative members, and five out of 15 honorary members, making a total of 49 present out of 111. Of the 40 Guilds or Associations affiliated to the Council 11 were fully, and 16 were partially represented.
The President, Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., was in the chair.-The Hon. Secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting, which, after one correction had been made, were, on the motion of Mr. A. T. King, seconded by the Rev. W. W. C. Baker, passed and signed.
The Hon. Treasurer then presented the annual statement of accounts, which had previously been audited in detail by the Standing Committee, and of which the following is a summary: Balance from last jear, $£ 71$ 12s. 6 d .; affiliation fees, $£ 12 \mathrm{2s}$. 6 d ., making a total of $£ 83 \mathrm{l} 15 \mathrm{~s}$. Against this there had been: Expenses of last year's meeting, £4 2s.; printing and postage, $£ 119 \mathrm{~s}$. 6 d., leaving in hand a balance of $£ 7713 \mathrm{~s}$. 6d. He further reported that though he had as usual reminded the Council's publishers of the present meeting in good time beforehand, and had written to them two or three times on the subject, -and that though finally Mr. W. T. Cockerill, a member of the Standing Committee, had kindly, at his request, oalled on Messrs. Allen and Co., yet all these reprecentations had failed to produce any response, and that consequently he had no statement of Sales of Publications to bring forward.-On the proposal of Mr. J. Griffin, seconded by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, the accounts were passed.-On the proposal of Mr. J. S. Pritchett, seconded by Mr. R. Narborough, the hon. treasurer was instructed to direct the bank to put $£ 50$ of the Council's balance on deposit account.
The Hon. Secretary having suggested the possibility of the appointment by the Council of one of their own members as hon. librarian to take charge of and sell the publications, mentioned further that he had broached the question to the Rer. C. W. O. Jenkyn, who had intimated his willingness to accept the office if he were elected to it. The consideration of the subject was postponed till later in the proceedings.
On the proposal of the Rev. W. W. C. Baker, seconded by Mr. F. B. Tompkins, the following were unanimously re-elected as honorary members, viz.: The Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, Mr. J. W. Parker, and the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson.

The Hon. Secretary announced that two Guilds, viz., the Dudley and District Guild, and the Peterborough and District Association, lad become affilinted to the Council.
The following new members were introduced to and shook hands with the president, viz.: Mr. C. Todd, of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association; Mr. F. W. Hopgood, of the Oxford Diocesan Guild: and Mr. R. Narborough, of the Peterborough and District Assciation.
'The Hon. Secretary reported that copies of the resolution passed by the Council last year against the Welsh Church Disestablishment Bill had been forwarded to the Prıme Minister, the Marquis of Lansdowne, and the Right Hon. A. Bonar Law, and read the replies received in acknowledgment.
Apologies for absence were announced as having been received from hn Rev. II. E. Tilney Baesett, Mr. C. E. Borrett, the Rer. A. H. . Boughey, Dr. A. B. Carpenter, Mr. John Carter, Mr. W. T. Cockerill, . H. Dains, Mr. R. A. Daniell, Mr. J. Evans, Mr. W. H. Godden, Mr. C. H. Hattersley, the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, the Rev. M. Kelly, Ir. J. D. Matthews, the Rev. Canon Papillon, Mr. S. Reeves, the Rev. L. S. T. Richardson, Mr. J. R. Sharman, Mr. W. R. Small, Mr. H
White, Mr. J. W. Whiting, Mr. H. W. Wilde and Mr. G. Williams.

For the Peal Collection Committee, the Hon. Secretary, in the unvoidable absence of the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson, who had of late been doing the bulk of the work, reported progress. Though not him? $]$ a member of the committee, Mr. E. H. Lerris was able to corrohorate the report, adding that Part I of the Collection of Treble Bob could be published if desired. It was, however, agreed that it would be best to defer publication for another year.
As a member of the Literature Committee, the Rev.. H. A. Cockey intimated that so far as he was aware there was no report to present, owing to indisnosition on the part of Mr. R. A. Daniell, who had been doing the work. Later in the proceedings, a telegram to this effect was received from Mr. Daniell, and the hon. secretary was asked to communicate with him.
On behalf of the Legitimate Methods Committee, the Rev. H. Law James reported that the collection of Major Methods was practically complete, and that it was hoped that it would be ready for publication next year. -The Rev. A. T. Beeston having called attention to the unsatisfactory condition of some of the copies of the collection of Legiti-
mato Minor Methods, proposed that the remaining conies should be regarded as waste. This was seconded by Mr. J. W. Parker, but on discussion was withdrawn, it being deemed better to leave the matter in the hands of the hon. librarian. At this point, on the motion of the Rev. C. E. Matthews, seconded by the Rev. A. T. Beeston, the The Rev. C. E. Matthews, seconded by the Rev. A. T. Beeston, the
Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn was unanimously elected to the office of hon.

Iibrarian, and the Rev. C. E. Matthews and the Rev. G. F. Coleridge were appointed to assist him in an examination of the condition of the publications, the hon. secretary being at the same time instructed to take steps for their removal from the custody of Messrs. Allen and Co. and their consignment to the oare of the hon. librarian.

The report of the Peals' Analysis Committee was presented by Mr. A. T. King, who, at the same time, after explaining the difficult questions with which the committee had had to deal, moved its adoption.This was seconded by the Rev. E. W. Carpenter, and was carried after a long discussion.-The Rev. G. F. Coleridge moved and the Rev. W. W. C. Baker seconded, a proposal that the committee proceed upon the lines suggested in their report. - This was carried, together with a cordial vote of thanks to the committee for their labours.
In reporting for the Towers and Belfries Committee, the Hon. Secretary read a letter addressed by the President to the other members of the committee, in which he stated that for many reasons he had found it difficult to draft a rough copy of a pamphlet to form a groundwork on which the other members might graft their views. He, therefore, offered either to complete the pamphlet as his own work, and publish it with the sanction, but not necessarily with the concurrence, of the Council; or that he should give all the information in his power to some other member of the committee, and that it should be published by, and at the expense of, the Council.-The Hon. Secretary moved the grateful acceptance of the first proposal. -This, being seconded by Mr. J. Griffin, was carried unanimously.

The Rev. H. J. Elsee introduced a long and most interesting discussion on the possibility of an unfavourable change in the attitude of the general public towards bell ringing, as a result of the increasing number of peals annually rung. No motion on the subject was proposed.

It was moved by the Rev. H. Law James: "That the Council is of opinion that Superlative Surprise Royal, as published by Shipway, is the same method as Superlative Surprise Major."-This was seconded pro forma by the Hon. Secretary, but after discussion was postponed for consideration to next year.
The question as to whether the Ladies Guild of Change Ringers should be admitted to representation on the Council was ably introduced by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, his speech being followed by an auimated discussion on the subject, which was then allowed to drop.
Mr. G. Bolland moved to call attention to the Council's recommendations regarding "record" peals as passed in 1902, and incorporated in "Rules and Decisions," but it was explained that there had been a mistake in supposing that there was any real call for the motion, which consequently was not seconded, and was withdrawn.

For the place of meeting next year, the President said that three places-Southampton, Portsmouth or Winchester-had been suggested. The last-named, proposed by Mr. J. Griffin, and seconded by Mr. R. Narborough, was put first to the meeting, and was adopted by a large majority.
The Hon. Secretary moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. C. L. Routledge, Presilent of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Asscciation, for his great kindness and unsparing trouble in making all possible arrangements for the success of the meeting, and to the members of his Association for the very cordial welcome that they had extended to the Council. The President seconded the motion, which was carried amidst cheers.
The Rev. G. F. Coleridge then moved a hearty vote of thanks to the President, which was carried by acclamation, and the meeting adjourned.

## NOTE:

Should any member of the Council have any comment to make on the minutes, he is requested to oommunicate without delay with the hon. secretary, the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, Fretherne, Stonehouse, Gloster.

## ERIN TRIPLES.

## Ta the Editor

Dear Sir,-The publication in "The Ringing World " of two peals of Erin Triples, by Mr. J. Segar, revires a rather interesting question which was discussed in the first year's publication of the paper. They contain, like all Triples peals in the method based on the twin-bob system, 360 bobs and 98 singles, no more and no less. And this does not complete the relationship between the various compositions, which is so close that I should have been hardly surprised if Mr. J. W. Parker had claimed that all peals on this plan (no matter what the number of the parts) were but variations of his Ten-part peal published in "The Ringing World," May 19th, 1911. Some time ago, a lively controversy raged between several of our best known composers on the value of a bob. Here it is simply a question as to how the singles should be employed, as the bobs look after themselves. Thus, in the case of Mr. Segar's 3 (or 6) part peal the moving of two singles and consequent shifting of bobs produces a peal published in "The Bell News," January 6th, 1912. I have no wish to claim that in consequence they are one and the same peal, but merely point out that nothing strikingly original can be obtained in Frin Triples on these lines, and on the other hand would endorse the contention of Mr . Lindoff that a slight alteration in calling is not to be condemned offhand as mere piracy.-Yours, etc.,
Holbeton Vicarage.
E. S. POWELL.

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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

## SURFLEET BELLS AND LEANING TOWER.

Surfleet, where the Rev. H. Law James is Vicar, claims some attention in the campanological world at the moment, for was it not at the church of St. Lawrence that the first peal of Treble Bob Caters was rung on Saturday week? It was a fitting inauguration to the peal ringing history of this tower-for we may anticipate history being made with a leader of the originality of Mr . James at the head of affairs. It was in May that the peal of ten was dedicated, the service being held while the bells were in the chancel. Formerly a peal of five, Mr. James found


Sorfleet Church and its Leaning Tower.
the bells in a shockingly neglected condition, when he became Vicar of Surfleet some years ago, but he had them rung on the first Saturday he was in the parish, having, with the aid of the village carpenter, patched up the wheels, and begged old ropes from his former parish, cleaned out the bearings, and generally put things shipshape. Soon he got a local band together, and the next step was the addition of a sixth bell. On the very day this new treble was placed in the tower a $7^{20}$ of Minor was rung upon the bells. And now these six have been made into ten by the generosity of Mr. James. The peal is noteworthy for the fact that it is the lightest ring of ten in the country, and the tower has also its peculiar interest, for, as will be seen from our illustration, it has a decided leaning away from the church.

## ODD CHANGES.

Few churches, ancient as is the history of a great many of them, are able to celebrate a 7 ooth anniversary with any exactitude. But at St. Matthew's, Walsall, the ringers last Saturday commemorated the 7 ooth anniver-
sary of the appointment of the first rector of the parish. This is a church with a history, if you like!

Mr. W. A. Cave, the hon. secretary of the Gloucester the Bristol Association, referring to our article dealing with the ringing career of Mr . W. Short and to the statement that Mr. Short had taken part in the quickest peals of Major and Triples on tower bells, writes that whatever credit, or otherwise, attaches to the performance of quickest peals, belongs to the band who on March 29th, 1909, rang a peal of London Surprise Major, at St. Andrew's, Clifton (tenor 13 cwt.) in 2 hrs. 34 mins. ; one having been rung previously in 2 hrs. 35 mins. at Quedgeley (tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.), where, also, what is believed to be the quickest peal of Triples was rung in 2 hrs .22 mins. The conductor of the latter was the Rev. H. Law James, and of the London, Mr. Cave.

The dedication of the Chewton Mendip peal of eight by the Loughborough Foundry took place yesterday (Thursday).

The dedication of the Chewton Mendip peal of eight from are unavoidably held over.

## THE LADIES' PEAL BOARD. <br> THE UNVEILING CEREMONY.

The arrangements with regard to the unveiling of the handsome peal board (executed by Messrs. Caspar and Co.) recording the ladies' peal at Cubitt Town have now been completed. The ceremony, which is to take place on Saturday October 4th, at 4 p.m., will be performed by Canon Simpson, of St. Paul's. The lady ringers and officials will assemble in the tower; the other visitors will take their place in church, and during the singing of a hymn, the clergy will proceed to the belfry, where the board will be unveiled with two short dedicatory prayers. All wiil then return to the church, where a short service will be held, and Canon Simpson will give an address.
Afterwards a neat tea will be provided in the schools, at a charge of 9d. per head. Those intending to be present must send a posteard to the Vicar, the Rev. Edward Hartley, Christ Church Viearage, Cubitt Town, E., and they will pay on entrance. Subsequently the tower will be free for ringing from 6.15 till 9 p.m.

For the information of visitors, it may be stated that the nearest railway station for the tower is North Greenwich, on the Fenchurch Street (Blackwall) line, changing at Millwall Junction, sixth station out. Trams run every quarter of an hour. There is also a motor'bus every ten minutes from Walthamstow, ria Plaistow and Poplar; and one from Tottenham, both of them stopping close by Christ Church. From South London the tower is reached in ten minutes from Greenwich Parish Church, through the Thames sub-way.

All ringers are invited to attend the unveiling.

## DEATH OF A BURNLEY RINGER.

It is with deep regret that we have to announce the death of Mr. Thomas Mouncey, of Burnley, the sad event occurring with painful suddenness on Monday of last week. While at work he was attacked with an apoplectic seizure, and without regaining consciousnese passed peacefully away the same day.

He was one of the origizal company of ringers at Holy Trinity, Burnley, when the bells were put in 25 years ago. He was a life member of the Lancashire Association, and was a most steady and reliable ringer. He had rung 32 peals in various methods from Minor to Major. He rang the tenor through the longest length of Oxford Treble Bob yet rung by the Lancashire Association, and took part in the first peals of Grandsire, Stedman, Bob Major and Oxford Treble Bob in Holy Trinity belfry. He was the president of the local branch of the C.E.M.S., and for the past five years had fulfilled the duties of sidesman at the Parish Church. He leaves a widow and five children, one of his sons being a ringer of Holy Trinity.
The interment took place on Friday last, when the bells were rung deeply muffled. The Vicar (the Rev. A. E. Rubic, M.A.) officiated, and four of the deceased's oldest ringing comrades bore him to his last reating place. The company sent a wreath in the form of a bell as a token of their sympathy.

## WESTWARD HO!

## A WEEK'S RINGING IN DEVON AND CORNWALL.

This year the west country was the attraction for the annual ringing tour arranged by Mr. W. Pye. Saturday, September 6th, saw the same familiar faces as in previous years, with one or two exceptions, gathered at the rendezvous, which on this occasion was Plymouth. Punctuality is the essence of a good ringer, and it was not surprising, therefore, that, though coming from all parts of the kingdom, the party was complete within half an hour of the first arrival. For the evening we met at Charles' Church, receiving a warm welcome from Mr. Marsh and other members of the Plymouth company. Stedman Caters was attempted, and the first peal of our tour came round in good style.
On Sunday, St. Germans was our objective, but owing to an inconvenient train service, four good Cornish miles had to be done on foot, much to the diegust of our Haggerston representative, who, however, brightened up on reaching Antony, where we found we could complete our journey by motor. Antony bells, a ring of six, were tried, and, then, after some refreshment at the sign of the Ring o' Belle, we resumed our journey to St. Germans, where the Vicar (the Rev. C. Gott) and Admiral Haddy, his churchwarden, gave us a hearty welcome. Superlative was attempted and safely brought round, and after the peal we were entertained to tea at the Vicarage, Admiral Haddy acting as our host, when the Vicar was compelled to leave us for the evening serrice. We afterwards returned to Plymouth by train, some taking a stroll on the famous Hoe before turning in for the night.

Monday morning saw us earily astir on our way to Liskeard. Here we found a magnificent tower, and a useful eight. After a half-hour spent on the ropes, a start was made for Cambridge, and a good peal was brought round-the first in Cornwall in the method. The tenor bobbing in and out somewhat puzzled the local ringers, who did not appear to have heard any Major before. Some rules on a board in the tower are worthy of reproduction:-
Let awful silence first proclaimed be
Then by consent let's make it our decree
What laws are best to keep sobriety
That peacably we may begin our ring
And say God bless our church and sare our King.
Who swears or dams or in a churlish mood
Quarrels or strikes although. he draw no blood
Who wears his bat or spur or turns a bell
Or by unskilful handling mars a peal
Let him pay sixpence for each single crime
'Twill make him cautious for another time.

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After partaking of the Barley Sheaf's "Market Ordinary," we made tracks for Fowey, reaching there nearly two hours late, owing to a misreading of the time-table. However, the first peal of Bristol in Cornwall was brought home in good style on Fowey's fineabells, and with the help of two motor-cars we were able to reach Truro the same night, Mr. Gully, one of the Kenwyn ringers, who was our host, giving us a cordial welcome.

On Tuesday morning, we made our way to Kea, Squire Daubuz and the Vicar being in waiting to welcome us. Here the first Cornish peal of London was rung. It was also A.W.G.'s eighth in the method, and in those eight peals he has managed to ring all round the tower.

Tuesday afternoon we were booked for Kenwyn, but owing to illness were unable to attempt a peal there, so time had to be killed in seeing the sights of Truro, and having our photo taken. But at 8.15 we were allowed to sample the Cathedral bells with a few touches, and managed a couree each of Kent Royal, Grandsire Oaters and Bristol Major, and also three courses of Stedman Caters. The bells came quite up to our expectations, and are worthy of the Cathedral. Our only regret was we were not allowed to attempt a peal on them. As we had been disappointed at Kenwyn, the Vicar of Kea kindly allowed us to attempt a second peal on his bells on Wednesday morning, and as we had to be back at St. Andrew's, Plymouth, to finish a peal before 5 p.m., our second peal at Kea. commenced shortly after 6 a.m., and ran safely round two hours and 51 mins. later. The early rising did not appear to agree with our treble man, who seemed far from comfortable all through the peal, and quite upset our " heavyweight" on the tenor. After the peal, the Vicar kindly enetrtained us to light refreshments, which were very acceptable with such an early start. Then we retraced our steps once more to Plymouth, reaching there shortly after noon to attempt a peal at St. Andrew's. With W. D. James standing in, a start was made for Kent Royal, and all went well till eight leade from home when the 9 th lost her voice, owing to the ball of the clapper breaking off, much to the disappointment of all. This was our first failure, and ill-luck again attended us on the following morning (Thursday), when a peal of Bristol came to grief at Ashburton, after nearly two hours' ringing. In the afternoon we reached Totnes, finding a heavy eight with a tenor about 28 cwt . After trying the bells round, London was decided as the method, and came round safely, though not without giving the back-enders a run for their money. It was the first peal in the method in the county, and Haggerston Alfred's 1001h Surprise peal.

On Friday morning we managed to pull off a good peal of Double Norwich at Berry Pomeroy. We arrived at Bovey Tracey in the after-
noon, finding a nice little eight by Taylor. We had been told that we should never ring a peal on them on account of the long draught, and some of us were quite interested to see bells "we could not ring." In spite of their reputation, we managed to bring off an excellent peal of Bristol on them, none of our party being troubled by the long draught. The Vicar kindly gave us tea after the peal, also insisting on our trying his home-made cider, which was very good. Any way, by this time some of us thought ourselves cider experts, and said sG, but our connoisseur of the darker brew did not think much of it.
Friday evening found us at Exeter. On Saturday, the last day of our tour, St. David's was visited in the morning, and Cambridge attempted, but our luck was out, as our third man felt out of sorts, and had to give up, after an hour's ringing

We could not get permission to ring on the Cathedral bells on Sunday morning, owing to the number of services, so we tried to get up and view the famous ten, but the red tape, with which many of the custodians of our Cathedrals are endowed, would not allow this, and the Dean not being available, we could not invoke higher power. Saturday afternoon saw the first break up of our party, our Greenwich and Bournemonth representatives being the first to leave. Those who remained attempted the last ponl, Bristol, on the fine ring at Heavitree, but a shift course, after an hour and forty minutes' ringing, made things look serious. However, there was time for a second start, and then all went well, a good peal coming round in three hours and twenty-ono minutes.
Five courses of Stedman Caters for morning servico at St. Sidwell's, Exeter, concluded our ringing, and all then set out for home. Ten peals out of thirteen actually started for was not so bad, and we dispersed well satisficd with our week's ringing aud the enjoyment wo had had in the west. Our best thanks are due to the various clergy and all who helped to make the tour a success.
A.R.M.

## BELL RESTORATION.

## CANADIAN READER'S SUGGESTION.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, -I have been very interested in your articles re "Funds for Bell Restoration," and should very much like to make a few sug"gestions touching on this particular subject, through the medium of
The Ringing World." Even if my arguments do not seem sound, they will at least open up a channel for further correspondence on this desirable subject, and surely a way to copo with the necessity of a fund will eventually be arrived at. Why appeal to Mr. Carnegie at all to set aside a sum, or subscribe towards the funds for restoration of bells, when, I am sure, it is in the hands of the large body of ringers in the British Isles to provide a fund that could be drawn upon for many other good causes besides being put to the most ex-cellent-use of bell restoration. Why canuot a general fund be founded amongst all ringers in the country? Supposing there are 24,000 ringers, and they subscribed one penny per weok per man, think what it would be possible to do with this sum, which would amount to कomething like $£ 100$ per week? I am sure when ringers knew the uses to which the money would be put, none would begrudge this small weekly sum which I suggest should be collected by the captain of each individual tower on practice nights, and forwarded to a responsible person. With a fund of this sort, machinery for the administration of which could be devised, many other gocd causes might be relieved. Ringers who have fallen on bad times might have a grant made to them, or the families of those ringers who have departed from the ranks might be helped greatly. But principally this fund could bo used for restoration of bells, and the outcome would be eventually, more towers available for ringing, and bells in a better state all-round which must unquestionably produce a marked improvement in the Art. Perhaps anongst your numerous rearlars there are some who can inprove on this scheme, or suggest a better way to cope with the recessity of a general fund that would provide for all matters appartaining to towers, bells and ringing. -Yours, etc

WLLIAM T. FOLLOWAY.
Montreal, late of St. Mary's Guild, Acton.

## BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION

A quarterly meeting was held at Erercreech on Saturday, when 50 members were present, representing 15 towers. Service was held in the Parish Church, the Vicar (the Rev. W. T. Dyne) officiating and giving an addrese. The organist and choir were also in attendance. Tea was served in the Institute, after which the business meeting was held, the Master (the Rev. C. C. Parker) presiding, supported by the Rev W. T. Dyne, Mr. E. J. Allen (churchwarden), and others. Three new members were clected, on the proposition of Mr. A. F. Coles, seconded by Mr. W. J. Starr.-The Master amounced that the next meeting would be held at Barrow Gurney, on December 20th, if possible.-On the motion of the Master, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for his very kind wetcome, for arranging the service and giving the address, and for the use of the bells; also to the organict and choir for their services.- The Vicar responded, and hoped to have the pleasure of welcoming the members again at some future time. -Mr . E J. Allen also replied.-A move was then made to the tower, where touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Grandsire Doubles were rung.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, March 21, 19才3, in Thwee Howrs and Seventen Minnles, At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL DF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5Q40 CHANGES;

## Holt's Six-Part.

Albert P. Wakley ... ...Treble
Harky Kendrick ... ... 2 Walter Halk ... .... ... 3 John Hoogit

Tenor IIt cwt.
Herbert Hurdman... ... 5
Frank Shepherd ... ... 6
W. W. Worthimgion
-Azbert W. Wagg ... ...Ter Thor
"Albert W. Wagg
Conducted by Aleert P. Wakiey.

- First peal. Rung, with the bells halt-muffed, at the request of the Rector, for evening service.

SAXLINGFAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, Mardi 27, 1913, in Thres Monss and Twelve Minktes, At the Church of St. mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 GHAMGES;
Tenor 8 cwt. I gT, 20 lbs.

Fremerick J. Howchin ... 2 Frederick J. Cross ... 6

| Frank R. Copeman | ... | ... | 3 | George H. Cross ... ... 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Stele | ..- | $\ldots$ | 4 | Bemjamin S. Thompson ...Temor |

Comprosed by ARthor Iinghis, and
Conducted by Walliam Steece.
This peal was rung with the bells lialf-muffled.
COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR IEE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GULLD.
On Saturdy, Maych 22, 1913, th Thre Hours and Four Minules, At ine Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 5056 CHANCES:
-Charles Butch ... ...Troble Benjamin Godgh ... ... 5
 thalter Grisseli ... ... 3 †Christopher Wallater 7 Eggar T. Smith ...

| 2 |
| :--- |
| . | Christopher Wallater $7^{7}$

Richarli Denn ... ...ter Composed by George FIughes, and Conducted by Christorfyr Whllater.
First peal of Major. + First peal of Major as conductor. Rung with the bells ball-aumfed as a last tohen of respect to the late Lord Bishop of Lichfeld (Right Fev, the Fon. Augustus Legge, D.D.).

## GUISELEY, YORKS

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCLATION On Sutherday, Mart 22, 1073, in Two Huars and Fifly ilimutes, At the Cherch of St. Oswald,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

 Tenot Iot cwt.Alffed Naylor.
Erancis Woodhead ... Joseyth broadley Chbistoxher Stephenso:

Wilelam Joyce...
 Williah B. Smith ... ... 7 Joma B. Jackson ... ... Tenor
Composerl by Tom Lockwood, anct Comfucted by Willias B. Smith.

## EGHAM, SURREY.

TIIE SURREY ASSOCIATION. On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hams, Ax the Church of St. John the Baptist.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAH TRIPLES, 5040 CHAMCES;

 'Thurstang' Fodr-Part. Tenor 17 ewt.Joms H. B. Hesse ... ...Treble Wilcham Shemerd lirenemick G. Woomess Join Howes $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Jonn Howes } & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 3 \\ \text { Cianles J. Hamecis } & \cdots & 4\end{array}$ Conducted ${ }^{4}{ }^{4}$ JWillames N. Fross

CHIPPING BARNETT, HERTS.
THE MDDDLHSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Mowday, Maveh 24, 1913, in Thve Honvs and Tiuctuc Mintren At the Church of St John the Bebribt,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANEES;

## Tenor 24 cwl.

 Composed by Arihor Knionts, and Conducted by Bertram Freweit.
First peal in the method on the bells.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUTLD.
On Noudfy, March 24, 1913, in Thre Hours and Thithen Minues, At Christ Church, Southgate,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 25 cwt .


Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Wilelam Pye.
The above is I. G. Shache's and W. Pye's pooth peal together.
GUILDFORD, SUREEY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Munday, March 2a, 1913, in Thye Hom's and TeH Minutes,
AT the Chorch of St. Nicoens.
A PEAL OF BOB 财AJOR, 5056 CHAHCES;

## Tenor 23 cwt.

* Edward Ethembge - ...Tedele Edward Raddas ... ... 5 - Witciam Loader ... ... 2 Seftimes Radford ... ... 6 Charles Wielshire ... 3 James Hunj ... ... .... 7 Willodghby E. Matiden 4 Frank Blondela ... ...Teror Composed by F. A. Holdes, and Conducted by Frank Blondelf.
- First peal of Miajor.

DURSTEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE
GLOUCESTEN AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
(Wotion-bnder-Edge and District Lbranch.)
On Moudar, Marh 24, 1913, in Thred Flows and Feur Mintes, At the Church of St. Jhues,
A PEAE OF GRANESIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Groves' Yartation of Parker's Twelve-Part.
Teaor 19 cwt. 2 gr. 9 lbs., in $E$ Hat.

- Aleg Robles

Edward WHİTARD...

| $\ldots$ Treble | Aleert Burcombe ... | $\ldots$ | 5 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | 2 | Harry Jones ... | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 6 |
| $\cdots$ | 3 | Henry W. Fussell | $\cdots$ | 7 |  |

 Conducted by H. W. Fussell.
First peal. First peal in the method on the bells: also first peal by the above branch.

SOKTHWOLD, SUFEOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(Hatesworth Societt.)
On Mondry, Mumbin 24, 1973, in Tro Horrs ant Fifty-uime Minules, At the Church of St. Edatum.
A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;


Ccrulucted by H. Barton

- First peal of Stedman Triples.


## ESSEX ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT.

To the Editor

Sir,-I would not have entered into this question, but as you have honoured the subject with a full column-leader, that two gentlemen -are nameless; and also that the esteemed late Master of the Association has condescended to take note of the question, perhaps you will allow me a few lines. When the proposal for a brake for a bye-meeting was introduced, I strongly objected to the funds of the Association being used (I rather fancy that some of those present will remember it), and it was sanctioned only on the assumption that the funds would allow of it, and even then in a very half-hearted manner, very few roting at all-much the same kind of thing, in fact, as the " lively " meeting at Harlow gives, the seven-for-and-two-against style, with about, 40 present. Question! Who were the non-voters? Who were the seven?

The general secretary had generously offered to pay part of the cost of the brake from his own pocket, but this was not accepted; the evident intention being to test the "officials' power." Now, I submit that Rule VI quoted by Canon Papillon, gives the questioned authority, and the fact of the Master and General Secretary being present at the meeting should not affect their decision when it was brought officially for their sanction. At any rate, if the Master and Secretary are not considered to have such power, it cannot reasonably be contended that any division of the county has been granted such a measure of Home Rule as to be able to rule, or ruin, the funds of all the other divisions, This were Home Rule with a vengeance (and would be an object lesson to Mr. Asquith).

Again, it could not be known, at the time, what number of members would take part in this afternoon outing (as, of course, it is open for all members of the division to attend if they thought proper to do oo), and instead of one brake, ten might be needed, each starting from its own convenient point; and I maintain that this course would be justifiable. If not it could only be described, as "Essex "puts it, as an afternoon's outing for one particular party at the cost of the Association.
I am not an advocate for accumulating funds, although this may sometimes serve a desirable purpose, such as the gift of a bell, etc., and I am a firm believer in missionary work of any character; but I do most strongly adrocate some loyalty for the opinion of persons in authority, and as I, in effect, said at the " lively meeting at Harlow," and as the last lines of your leader state, "it would have been wise to postpone the charter of a brake until they had vindicated their position at the annual meeting," and not to act (as it appears to me) in a spirit of defiance.

Sir,-I was pleased to read your comments, and also the Rev. Canon Papillon's letter on the above subject last week. I quite understand Rule VI, especially the part dealing with the hon. secretary's supervising power. It is not that that has caused this little tronble. No one in this division questions his powers, it is the authority of others interfering. The respected Canon, or yourself, said nothing about Rule I, the especial object of the Association. The IImdon meeting and others of the same kind are really what the Association was formed for. The Master of the Association, Mr. Howard, and the hon. secretary, the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, were both presest at the meeting at Saffron Walden, and both spoke in favour of the meeting taking place. Mr. Wiffen, of Mickling, proposed it, and, I believe, did so, thinking he was carrying out the wishes of the chief officers. The arrangements were made accordingly, but we heard that we could not be allowed any funds from the Association, as they had incurred a very heavy printing bill, and at the Harlow meeting the hon. secretary was asked to explain this. It was decided to hold this meeting, which took place on Saturday last with the hon. secretary's consent, and the money for the brake has been paid. I think there is no possible grounds for anybody saying anything about defiance, as it never entered our heads. We ve:y much respect our olficers $\varepsilon$ ald try to work harmoniously with them. Our meeting was a most successful one, one hon. member, two life members, and seven probationary members were elected; a splendid tea, was provided us by Mr. J. F. Wilkes, J.P. (one of our hon. members), who was most delighted to welcome us to Elmdon. With regard to "s Essex," I can anly say that we do not wish for any of his money for an outing. What we wanted was recognition and help from the Association towards helping defray the expenses that would be incurred in going to Elmdon to get members to join our Association. These outings are not undertaken free of cost, for each member who rode in the brake paid 8 d . out of his own pocket, besides contributing to a collection for those who kindly saw to our wants at tea, and some had railway fares to pay as well. So you see it is not all done at the expense of the Association. It is not the first time that this most unjust insinuation has been cast at the Stansted company, but we take it from whence it came, and in the future I hope "Essex" will relieve the Stansted company of this not altogether very profitable souroe of occupation.-Yours faithfully $y_{2}$

A BOB MEMBER."
BRENTFORD.-On July I6th, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor: F. G. 'Goddard 1, G. A. Ransom (conductor) 2, T. Beadle 3, II. W. Lidbetter 4, W. New 5, G. Spencer 6 .

## SALISBURY GUILD AT WOOL.

The anniversary of the dedication of the bells at Wool was held on Thursday week, and with it was combined a quarterly meeting of the Dorchester Branch of the Salisbury Guild. The towers represented included: St. Peter's and West Fordington; St. George, Dorchester; Wyke Regis, Puddletown, and West Lulworth, with the full muster of the Wool ringers. There was ringing during the afternoon, and tea was served in the Schoolroom, presided over by the Rector of Wool (the Rev. E. J. Tadman), who was supported by the churchwarden (Dr. Wright). The Rector of West Lulworth (the Rev. W. P. Schuster) was also amongst the company, which numbered over 30 . After tea, the Rev. E. J. Tadman welcomed the ringers, and spoke of the good work the Salisbury Diocesan Guild had done.-The Rev. W. P. Schuster proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. E. J. Tadman, and this having been seconded by Mr. W. Hewlett, of PuddleThe was unanimously carried.
The business meeting of the Dorchester branch followed. In the absence of the Chairman (Mr. R. N. Dawes), the Rev. W. P. Schuster was voted to the chair.-The Secretary (Mr. C. H. Jennings) read apologies for inability to attend from the Rev. A. L. Helps, of Puddletown; the Rev. A. A. Phillips, of Bournemouth; the Rev. F. L. Edwards, of Kington Magna; the Rev. H. C. Coate, of Dorchester; Mr. Martin Stewart, of Ferndown; Mr. J. T. Brake, of the Upwey band; Mr. W. H. Perkins, of Milton Abbey; Mr. H. Northover, of Milton; Mr. J. T. Godwin, of Dorchester; and Mr. G. T. White, of Dorchester. Miss Alice White, of Basingstoke, and Mr. W. New, of Isleworth, were elected life members, and Mr. P. Wiltshire and Mr. P. Dredge, of Wyke Regis, were elected as ordinary members. Miss White was the first lady ringer to ring in a peal on tower bells.
The next meeting will be held at Charminster, in January.-The Hon. Secretary said that the could not let the meeting pass without according a hearty rote of thanks to the Rev. W. P. Schuster for his services as hon. secretary of the Guild. He had now felt compelled to resign owing to his increased work. - Mr. S. G. Hodges, of Dorchester, spconded, and the motion was carried.-The Chairman complimented the Dorchester St. Peter's band upon scoring their first peal of Stedman Triples, which was conducted by Mr. White. This concluded the business, and the ringers, having faced the camera, indulged in more ringing, Stedman and Grandsire being rung. Service was afterwards held in the church, there being a very good congregation. The Vicar of Wool officiated, the Rev. W. P. Schuster read the lessons, and the Rev. Rickman, of Powerstock, gave an interesting address dealing with the bells. The choir rendered an anthem, Blessed be Thou," and the collection which was taken was for the bell fund at Wool.

## MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT SECRETARY DESIGNS.

The Marlborough branch of the Salisbury Guild held its September meeting at Savernake St. Katharine's, on Saturday week. The Guild service was held in the church, and afterwards the ringers adjourned to the Parish Room, where a splendid tea had been prepared. A short business meeting followed. It was suggested that, when the meetings for the next three months were fixed at the next quarterly meeting, Burbage should be one of the places risited.-The secretary was requested to write to Mr. Slade, of Bremhill, and ask him to begin the instruction at Hilmarton as soon as he could make the necessary ar-rangements.-The President (the Rev. A. E. G. Peters) explained that the branch would have to find another secretary to fll the place of Mr. $J$. Butler, who was going to Cambridge to continue his studies. He had one member in mind whom he promised to ask to undertake the work. He then proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Butler for his past services.-This was seconded by the Rev. G. H. S. Frobisher, and car-ried.-The Secretary replied that he was very glad to have been able to do what he could for the branch, but regretted that he could not leave a far greater proportion of change ringers than there were in it at present--Business concluded, the ringers returned to the towerRinging was enjoyed during the afternoon and evening. Ringers were present from Burbage, Collingbourne, Kingston and Marlborough St. Mary, besirles those of St. Katharine's. Many thanks are due to the Rev. G. H. S. Frobisher and to Mrs. Frobisher for the excellent welcome which was prepared. The next meeting of the branch will very probably be held at Ramsbury on some Saturday in October.

## RAYNE BELLS.

The amounts already to hand for restoration of Rayne (Esesx) bells aro as follow:-A. Prior, Leytonstone, 1s.; W. J. Nevard, Great Bentley, £1; Ringers Stebbing Church, £1 1s. 6d.; North Weald Church, 2s.; Maldon St. Mary's Church, 3s. ; Dunmow Church, 8s. 6d.; Shenfield Church, 4s. 6d.; Trocking Church, 7s. 6d. ; Braintree Church, £1 16 s .; total, $\mathcal{L} 5 \mathrm{~s}$. Further contributions, however small, will be most gratefully received by B. Ridgewell, Rayne.
MIDSOMER NORTON, SOMERSET. - At St. John the Baptist's Church, on Whit-Monday, a quarter-peal af Grandsire 'Triples, in 45 mins.: E. Chivers (first, quarter-peal) 1, I. B. Holmyard 2, W. Farley 3, F. Speed (conductor) 4, F. Chivers 5, R. Jones 6, J. Hambleton 7, w. Keevill 8. Rung after meeting short for a peal.

## KENT ASSOCIATION AT NEW ROMNEY. CRITICISM OF COMMITTEE.

The old Cinque Port of New Romney was the venue for the annual meeting of the Ashford District of the Kent Association held on Saturday week in conjunction with the monthly assembly of the Romney Marsh and Distriat Guild.
The gathering, perhaps, was not quite so largely attended as is sometimes the case, but the hop-picking season being at its height, probably accounted for the absence of a fair number. New Romney, too, is an awkward place to get at, and the jovial secretary of the association (the Rev. Canon Helmore) aptly illustrated this when he remarked that in his opinion the world might be divided into six por-tions-Europe, Asia, Africa, America, Australia, and Romney Marsh. Despite the fact that it is so difficult to journey thither, altogether nearly forty were present, and the following towers were represented: Aldington, Appledore, Brabourne, Folkestone, Hawkhurst, Hythe, Lyminge, Mersham, New Romney, Rye, Stone-in-Oxney, Tenterden, and Willesborough. Some excellent practice was obtained in Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob and Kent Treble Bob Major, and it was very pleasing to note that several recruits rang Stedman very satisfactorily. This should tend to raise the standard of change ringing in the Ashford district.

A service was held in the church, the curate (the Rev. H. G. South) officiating. The Association's form of service, sanctioned by the Archbishop of Canterbury, was used, and the organist kindly gave her services at the organ. In his addless, which was based on the words,
My Father's business," the Rev. H. G. South bade the ringers welcome to New Romney, and hoped the meeting would be a useful and encouraging one, not only to the Association to which they belonged, but also to their own band of ringers. Personally, the thought such a meeting was full of encouragement, and the clergy owed a great debt of gratitude to bell ringers, who laboured so zealously, and gave their services ungrudgingly in diseharging their duties to the Church.
Subsequently, the company adjourned to a building at the rear of the Rev. II. G. South's residence. Here a splendid meat tea was partaken of, the cost being defrayed by the Association.

## BUSINESS MEEETING.

The annual meeting of the district followed, under the chairmanship of the Rer. H. G. South.-Mr. O. W. Player (Stone-in-Oxney) moved that Mr . C. Tribe (Tenterden) be re-elected hon. secretary for the ensuing year. Mr. Tribe, he said, put in a lot of time in attending to the manifold duties of the post, and he did his work very well.Mr. Dixon (Willesborough) seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously, and with loud applause.-Responding, Mr. Tribe said he was very much obliged to them for the honour and privilege they had again conferred on him, for he did look on it as an honour to act in that capacity, although sometimes, when the gatherings were rather slack, he wished he had not got it. One, however, could not have all sweets and no bitters. There were times, such as the one that day, when he was very pleased to attend to the duties.
Mr. G. Paine (Mersham) was re-appointed to represent the district on the Central Committee of the Association. In discussing the doings of the committee, several members complained that the North Kent delegates had too much of their own way at their meetings.-Mr. Paine, in response, said he agreed with the allusions to the North Kent delegates, and he really thought sometimes it was not much good attending the mectings, but, after ah, they did not get it all their own way. He had served on the committee for twenty years, and thanked them for granting him the privilege once more.
Meetings for 1914 were decided to be held at Tenterden, Saltwood, and W'ye, while an extra meeting will take place at Willesborough in Norember of this year.-Mr. Percy Jones was elected a member of the Association
As regards the business of the Romney Marsh Guild, the members agreed to meet at Iden on the second or third Saturday in October, and to attempt a peal of Bob Major at Rye on the first Saturday in that month.

On the motion of Mr. C. W. Player, seconded by Mr. P. H. Pierce Aldington), a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. South for the use of the bells, arranging the service, and presiding at the meeting. -The reverend gentleman suitably replied, and a cordial vote of thanks to the IIon. Secretary for his services in the past coneluded the business.
The tower was again risitcd, and ringing concluded about nine o'clock. The bells were found in perfect ringing order, and the ringers thoroughly enjoyed their visit to New Romney.

## THE "NUNN" FUND.

Further contributions to the fund for assisting the widow and children of the late Mr. F. A. Nunn are gratefully acknowledged from : Mr. A. T. King, 10s. 6d.; Mr. C. T. Coles, 2 s .; Clapton ringers, 5 s . ;
Mr. J. Turner, 2 s ; Mr. J. A. Minne, 2s. 6 d ; Southgate ringers, 3 s ,
6d. Mr. A. Hubbard. 2s, Gd. Donations should be sent to ir 6d. ; Mr. A. Hubbard, 2s. 6d. Donations should be sent to "F.R.," care of the Rev. F. Rice, St. Anne's Vicarage, South Tottenham.

## WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. <br> NORTHERN BRANCEI: CHANGE OF MASTER.

The quarterly meeting of the Northern branch was held at Ridditch, on Saturday last. Considering the difficulty of reaching this place, there was a very good attendance, members being present from, Halesowen, Old Hill, Wolverley, Kidderminster, Brierley Hill, King's Norton, Northfield, Smethwick, Bromsgrove, Birmingham, Selly Oak, together with the local ringers. At the service, the address, which was given by the Vicar (the Rev. A. C. Grant) was very much appreciated. The Vicar said that he had been told that it would be best not to talk about bells on that occasion, as he had been led to understand. that at their meetings they were always having the history of bells and bell ringing put before them. He was, therefore, going to get off the beaten track and talk about brotherhood. He went on to speak of the work of such societies as the Worcestershire Association, and the good work it was doing in helping the members, and as a brotherhood. There never was a time when they were more wanted to stand together than at the present. What, he asked, was the cause of the industrial unrest in the Empire? It was because men did not trust one another so much as they ought to do. If they would only place more confidence in one another much suffering would be done away with, and better conditions would result.
The meeting and tea, which was kindly provided by the Vicar, was held in the Institute, 44 members and lady friends sitting down to a splendid repast. Before the business began, the Vicar, on behalf of the churchwardens, the local ringers and himself, presented an illuminated address to Mr. W. Deaner, on his 70th birtbday, and on his retiring from the position of head ringer, after 40 years' service. - Mr. Deaner very feelingly responded, and trusted that he would be spared many more years to hear the bells ring out.-The Vicar stated, in regard to the bad going of the bells, that he was going to take expert advice on them, so that they might be put into proper order for ringing.

The quarterly peal was arranged for Bromsgrove, and an offer from Smethwick to hold the next quarterly meeting there was gratefully accepted.

The Branch Master (Mr. Ri. Matthews) wrote apologising for his absence, and stating that he thought the honour of holding the position. of Ringing Master should go round.-The meeting thanked Mr. Matthews very heartily for his services, and elected Mr. Samuel Grove as Branch Ringing Master.-Mr. J. Pigott was re-elected branch representative, and Mr. E. J. Dowler, branch secretary and treasurer.-The Vicar was elected an hon. member.-A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for his hospitality was moved by Mr. A. E. Parsons, seconded by Mr. 'T'. J. Salter, and unanimously carried, the Vicar responding and. apologising for the absence of his wife.

## RINGING NEWS FROM OVER=SEAS.

PARAGRAPHS FRON NEW ZEALAND AND AMERICA
The band at St. Matthers's Church, Auckland, New Zealand, hope shortly to accomplish the first peal in North Island. On Saturday, August 9th. they made their first attempt, when they started for Grandsire Triples, and Thad some very good striking for 2 hrs. 5 mins., when they broke down, after ringing 3,332 changes. Although naturally disappointed at losing the peal after ringing so long, the band were quite pleased with the attempt, which augurs well for success when they start aqain. The band stood as follows: C. Colgrove 1, W. Smallwood 2, J. Heather 3, O. Throssell 4, S. C. Hamblin 5, E. J. Hamblin 6, A. J. Thite (conductor) 7, P. Barringer 8.

The company at $S t$. Matthew's will receive a welcome addition to their strength upon the arrival of Mr. C. Hamblin, formerly of Hersham, Surrey, father of Messrs. S. C. and E. J. Hamblin, who are already at Auckland. Mr. Hamblin, senr., is due to arrive in New Zealand about next Tuesday.

The art in New Zealand has sustained a heavy loss by the death of Mr. T. Biddle, of Christchurch. Mr. Biddle was Ringing Master at the Cathedral, where, in face of many difficulties, he did much to keep ringing alive in the South Island. A few months ago he visited Auckland. where there is a promising band, and took part in ringing at St. Matthew's Church. Fe then appeared in excellent health, but he has succumbed to an internal disease of some standing. The news of his death came as a shock to the ringers of Auckland, and they rang the belis half-muffled on the following Snnday.

The Boston (U.S.A.) Guild has accepted an invitation to give an exhibition of change ringing upon October 8th at Christ Church before the American Association of Bankers, which is to hold its annual convention at that time in Boston.
On Labour Day, which is September 1st, the Boston Guild rang 720 Kent Treble Bob, with tenor covering, at the Memorial Tower, Hingham: P. J. Allfrey 1, E. F. Randall 2, S. J. Perkins 3, R. Newton 4, J. F. Laker 5. W Bashford (conductor) 6, G. Mackman 7.

## NOTICES.

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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -Established 1637 .-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on September 3oth ; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 3oth; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays; all at 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIA-TION.-Quarterly meetings will be held at Castle Ashby on Saturday, September 27 th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock.F. Wilford, General Secretary.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-A monthly meeting will be held at Dunchurch on Saturday, September 27 th. Bells (6) available at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} .-$ Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The September meeting will be held -at Middleham on Saturday, Sept. 27th, 1913 . Bells of the Parish Church, 8, tenor 18 cwt., are available for ringing all day.-T. Metcalfe, Honorary Secretary, 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Southern Branch). - A meeting for practice will take place at Little Comberton on Saturday, September ${ }_{27}$ th. Bells available from 3 p.m.-J. Hemming, Branch Secretary.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-Quarterly meeting at Penn on Saturday, September 27 th. Belís available at 3. Service at $5 \cdot 30$, with address by the Vicar. Tea (gd.) at 6, at Rose and Crown. Trams leave Railway Drive, Wolverhampton, for Penn Fields (half way) every seven minutes. - H. Knight, Honorary Secretary, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Grappenhall Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Stretton, Cheshire, on Saturday, the 27th inst., at 3.30. Tea 9d. each.-Jno. E. Ashcroft, Honorary Secretary.

AIIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.-Commencing October, meetings for practice of Caters and Royal will be held monthly at Hillingdon East on the first Tuesday at 7 p.m., and for Stedman and Major at St. Andrew's, Hillingdon West, on the third Monday at 7.30 p.m.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. - The next meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday, October $4^{\text {th }}$. Bells available from 4 o'clock. All ringing friends will be welcomed. Members are reminded that all outstanding subscriptions should now be paid.-H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS.-The annual meeting will be held at Liverpool on Saturday, October 4th. Service at St. Nicholas Church at 4 p.m. Preacher: the Lord Bishop of Liver-pool.-W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Honorary Secretaries.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District.-Quarterly meeting at Bramley, Saturday, Oct. 4th. Bells (6) from 4 o'clock. Service $5 \cdot 30$. Tea and meeting 6.-Francis G. Hume, Oakley, Basingstoke.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Shipley on Saturday, October 4th. Tower open from 4 p.m. Tea at the Parish Room 5.30. Business to follow. Members intending to be present at tea please let me know by Thursday, October 2nd. - H. Evans, Divisional Secretary, Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-A cycle run will take place on Saturday, October 4th, 3.30 p.m., Patshull (6) ; 5.15 p.m., Trysull (6). Names to be sent in by the 2nd. - Rev. E. V. Cox, 39, Westbourne Road, Walsall.

BRIGHOUSE, YORKSHIRE. - Re-opening of the bells.-The bells will be open for visiting ringers on Saturday, October 4 th, from 3 o'clock until 9 o'clock. A hearty welcome to all.-George Drake, Secretary.
THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. - The next monthly meeting of this society will be held on Oct. 4th at Doncaster, instead of Eckington, as the bells of the latter place are not yet ready. Church of St. George, 8 bells, tenor 30 cwt ., available $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. -J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, 38, Rutland Park, Sheffield.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824).-The eleventh annual grand Bohemian concert of the Association will be held on Saturday, October irth, 1913, at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, City. Doors open 7.15 p.m., commence $7.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Admission by programme, price sixpence, which may be obtained from all officers of the Association and others. Ladies specially invited.-F. J. Hardy, Hon. General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

KENT ASSOCIATION. - Maidstone District.-The half-yearly meeting of the Maidstone district of the Kent County Association will take place at Lenham on Saturday, October 11 th. The belfry will be open at 2.30 , and the Association service will be held in the church at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. -Kenneth W. Mumford, Honorary Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.The next meeting of the Castle Cary Deanery Branch will be held at Castle Cary on Saturday, October irth, 1913. Service in the church 4.15 p.m. Tea in the schoolroom 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Bells available from 2.30 to 9 p.m. All ringers and friends cordially invited.T. G. Vincent, Wraxall, Shepton Mallet.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Powick on Saturday, October irth, 1913. Service at 4 p.m. prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. Tea provided only for those sending their names to me by the Wednesday previous.-R. G. Knowles, Madresfield, Malvern, Honorary Secrefary.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Sudbury Branch. -A meeting of this branch will be held at Monk's Eleigh (four miles from Lavenham) on Saturday, October irth. Tea will be provided at the Bull Inn at 4 p.m. Those requiring tea arc asked to give notice to the secretary on or before Monday, October 6th, so that arrangements may be made.-R. L. Gardner, Lavenham, Suffolk.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Everton on Saturday, October rith. Tea at $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., free to members, by the kind invitation of the Rev. A. Rose, Vicar, who advise G. W.

Stevenson, Field House, Everton Bawtry, not later than October 7 th. Shall be glad to receive all unpaid subscriptions for 1913 at this meeting. - H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary, ro3, Gateford Road, Worksop.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).-The quarterly meeting of this society will take place on Monday, October I3th, at the Church of St. Mary, Holloway, N. Tower open from 8 p.m. to $9.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting to follow.-F. J. Hardy, Honorary General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.
ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.-The bells at the Parish Church will ndt be available for peals until further notice.-J. Preston, Secretary, Holifast Road, Erdington.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS.--Mr. W. J. Nudds has removed to roz, Kilburn Park Road, N.W.

## HOLIDAY APARTMENTS.

Having frequently had inquiries from ringers for information as to other members of the Exercise who have holiday apartments to let, we offer the use of our columns to those who cater for visitors at seaside and other resorts. Terms for insertion will be sent on application.

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## THE LATE CAPT. GLEN KIDSTON.

 To the Editor.Sir, - Upon looking through the peal columns of "The Ringing World " of the last two issues, I am disappointed to find that only one muffled peal in the whole of the Hereford Diocesan Guild was rung as a last token of respect to the late Captain $\Delta$. Glen Kidston, who passed away on the 2nd inst., at his residence, at Gwernyfed Park, Glasbury. This peal, I am happy to say, was rung by the St. Peter's band, Glasbury, on the day of his funeral.
I wonder if the members of the Hereford Guild realise what a friend they have lost, and have they yet found a gentleman who will step into the shoes of the late genial captain, and do so much good for them? I hope they have not forgotten the last two Empire days, when every ringer in the Guild was invited to Glasbury to take part in the competition, all the expenses of which were defrayed by the captain, without a single farthing coming out of the pockets of the ringers. To speak of all the good he has done would occupy by far too much space in your valuable paper. I trust that when the members realise what a friend they have lost, in the person of Capt. Glen Kidston, they will for ever regret not taking the opportunity of ringing for him a muffled peal (as the last token of respect) upon the bells which this kind-hearted gentleman loved so well.
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1 am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to iudge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,

Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

## MODERN

WORK.

## THE DIVISION OF YORKSHIRE.

The scheme for dividing up the large area of the county of Yorkshire for the purposes of administration has now been moulded into concrete form by the committee of the Associacion, and has been placed in the hands of the members. The matter will be dealt with at the annual meeting, and in the meantime those attached to the Association will have time carefully to digest the proposals of the committee. Every opportunity is being provided of enabling the members fully to consider the scheme, and when the occasion occurs for definite action, the matured and settled opinions of the members will be forthcoming.

As a beginning the committee recommend that the county be divided into four general districts, leaving the districts the opportunity of suggesing further sub-divisions if the conditions seem to call for it after a certain amount of practical experience. The present scheme gives two peals of ten bells, 24 of eight and 39 of six in the Norihern District; two of twelve, one of ten, it of eight and 23 of six in the Southern District; one of twelve, 14 of eight and 17 of six in the Eastern District, and two of twelve, three of ten, 42 of eight and 35 of six in the Western District.

The step which it is proposed to take is, we feel sure, an advance in the right direction. Even now the districts are large, but the measure of home rule which is suggested is certain to increase the interest of members in the working of the Association, for it will bring them into much closer touch with its activities. The proposed regulations for the management of the districts provide for four meetings in each district annually, and it particularly lays down that one of the meetings "shall be arranged where practicable for a tower where no members are affiliated to the Association, as the aim of the districts shall be to develop their respective areas as much as possible." The "missionary" spirit enters in here and unquestionably it is this form of activity that sustains the vitality of a ringing organisation. Yorkshire's opportunity, despite all that has been done in the past, is still a great one, and increased usefulness lies before it in the progressive action which it is now proposed to take. The advantages of the division of large areas seem so obvious that there is no need to labour them here, and we are convinced that if the Yorkshire Association adopts the policy now put forward by its committee its influence among the ringers will greatly increase, its numbers will receive substantial accretion, and its progress will be even more marked than in the past, as it works to achieve the object of its existence, " the advancement of the true and lasting interest of change ringers and their art, considered both in its scientific aspect and as a branch of church work."

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THE MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute,
At the Church of St. Mary,
a peal of double morwich court bob major, 5088 chances;

 Composed and Conducted by F. H. Dextre.
First peal in the method by J. J. Jackson, of Belton, Rutland. Rung in honour of the coming-of-age of Miss M. Smith Carrington, daughter of the donor of the bells.

BARKING, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Suturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Carter's Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part.
Tenor $22 \ddagger \mathrm{cwt}$., in E fiat.
William G. Jackson... ...Treble Thomas Faulkner ... ... 5 Walter Beard ...... Frederick C. Russell ... 3 Caleb Fenn ... ... ... 7 Grorge W. Faulkner ... 4 Albert C. Hardy ... ...Tenor Conducted by Caleb Fenn.
This peal was rung in honour of the marriage of Miss Lily E. Sunaway and Mr. George Cottis, a member of the above Association and St. Margaret's Society, Barking, which had taken place a few hours previously at the above church.

BOURNEMOUTH, HANTS.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, September 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 20 cwt., in E .
*James G. Bennett ...Treble

Eli Waters
... 5
Grorge Williams $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Beniamin Gough $\quad . .$. George Preston ... ... 3 Alan R. Macdonald ... 7 Fred W. Townsend ... 4 Charles W. GoodenoughTenoy Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and Conducted by George Williams.

- First peal of Major. First peal in the method on the bells.


## CRAYFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, September 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Paulinus,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor $12 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.
Edwin Barnett, Senr. ...Tveble *Frederick W. Richardson 5 †George Povey... ... ... 2 Edward Aodsley ... ... 6 John Wlatadon ... ... 3 Isaac Emery ... ... ... 7 Reginald Brodgh..... .4 4 William J. Jeffries... Tenor Composed by Henry Dains, and
Conducted by Edwin Barnett, Senr.

* First peal of Treble Bob. $\dagger$ First in the method with a bob bell.


## PENTRE RHONDDA.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, September 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## a peal of crandsire triples, 5040 Chances;

Vicar's. Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. io lbs., in E flat. - Bert Davies ... ... ...Treble Thomas Hamlin ... ... 5 Harry Page ...... William Page ... ... ... 3 Tom Page... ...... Benjamin Thorpe ... ... 4 Henry Crabbe... ... .... Tenoy Conducted by Benjamin Thorpe

* First peal.


## WIRKSWORTH, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, September 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;
Tenor $44 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Frederick Turner ..
Rey. A. T. Beeston Alfred C. Wright ... Frederick Johnson ...
..Tveble Thomas White...
2 George Bowmer

Benjamin Greatorex ...Tenor
Composed by Arthor Knights, and
Conducted by Benjamin Greatorex.
Rung immediately after the service of induction as a welcome to the Rev. Thomas B. Charlesworth, the newly-appointed Vicar.

## HORLEY, SURREY

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, September 25, 1913, in Taio Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Taylor's Six-Part.

Frank Voice ... ... ...Treble Joseph Kenward ... ... Arthor Bashford ... ... 3

| Arthir Bashford | ... | .. | 3 | John Sherlock | ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Albert Longhorst | .. | .. | 4 | Charles Osborne | .. | ...$T e n o r$ | Conducted by Albert Harman.


| Arthir Bashford | ... | .. | 3 | John Sherlock | ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Albert Longhorst | .. | .. | 4 | Charles Osborne | .. | ...$T e n o r$ |

Tenor r3 cwt.

Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Whitmore, the former being a member of the local band.

## HALIFAX, YORKS

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, September 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, AT the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 12 cwt .
James Cotterell ... ...Tveble |Wade Rushworth ... ... 5
Jonas S. Ambler...$\quad$... 2 Lewis Midgley $\quad$......
John Lawson...$\quad$......$\quad 3 \quad$ Joseph Broadley...
William Joyce ... ... ... 4 Fred Salmons ... ... ...Teror Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by James Cotterell.

* First peal of Major.

REDHILL, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
(Southern Branch.)
On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-Part.
*Thomas Streeter ... ...Tyeble
Henry A. Hoad ... ... 2
*Ernest Harman ... ... 3
Henry F. Ewins ... ... 4 John Sherlock ... ... 7 Conducted by Albert Harman.

* First peal. Rung on the I8th anniversary of the dedication of the bells. This was the quarterly peal of the Branch. It was also a birthday compliment to Mrs. W. Streeter.


## HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.

THE SOCIFTY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF DONBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 123 cwt.
Frank I. Hairs... ... ...Tveble William H. Fussell ... 5 George H. Gotieridge... 2 Frank Bennett ... ... 6
Albert E. Brightman ... 3 •John J. Pratt .... ...
John D. Matthews... ... 4 Frank Smith ... ... ... Tenor Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.

* First peal in the method with an inside bell. This composition, with only one call in a course, contains the 5 th and 6 th each 12 times wrong and 18 times right.


## ERITH, KENT.

THE MIDDI,ESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE 8URPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor is cwt.
John H. B. Hesse ... ...Treble Wiltiam Theobald ... 5 Edwin F. Pike ... ... ... 2 Edwin Barnett, Sent. ... 6 Isaac G. Shade ... ......$\quad 3$ Alfred W. Grimes ... 7 Charles T. Coles ... ... 4 William Pye ... ... ...Tenor

Composed by Charles Middeeton, and Conducted by William Pye.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGE8;

Tenor rytact.
Alfred J. Turner ... ...Treble Oliver Sippetts ... ... 5
John T. Rickman ... ... 2 Albert D. Stone ... ... 6

John Capp ... ... ... ... 4 Keith Hart ... ... ....Tenor
Composed by Nathan J. Pitstow, and
Conducted by Keith Hart.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Rickman.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Saturday. September 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Mintes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES; Tenor II $\frac{7}{2}$ cwt.


ST. GERMANS, CORNWALL.
THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Scptember 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Germanus,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

John Gluyas ... ... ...Treble| Rev. E. S. Powell

Reginald A. H. Dobson Warren S. H. Hornbrook William Ford ... ... ... Rev. E. S. Powell … 5

Composed by J Composed by John E. Burton, and
Conduct William D. James.
First peal of Bob Major in the county and by the Guild.

## HUNTINGDON.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 17 cwt.
Sidney Peck ... ... ...Treble George D. Coleman William J. Goss $\ldots . . . . \quad 2$ Thomas R. Vadghan Rev. B. H.Tyrwhitt-Drake 3 Sydney J. Coleman...

Herbert Fields Edmund C. Chasty...


Composed by J. Barker, and
Conducted by George D. Coleman.
SHENSTONE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
(Erdington Parish Chorch Society.)
On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor i $3 \frac{3}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. Thomas Bicknell ... ...Treble John Sanders... ... ... 5 Charles Cottrell $. . . \quad . . .2^{2} \quad$ George Garrison ...... William J. Meers $\ldots . . . . . \quad 3 \quad$ George F. Swann ....... Jonathan Preston $\quad . .$. Conducted by George F. Swann.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Edwin J. Houlston, late churchwarden of Erdington Parish Church, who takes a great interest in the ringers.

FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Septenber 27, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES; Tenor 17 cwt .

William Gobbett ... ...Tyeble |Robert Rayner Robert Riches ... ... John Spencer ... ... ... 3 Walter Riches | Jacob Filby | $\ldots$. | ... | ... | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Francis W. Nadnton | $\ldots$ | 7 |  |  | Composed by William Harrison, and Conducted by Francis W. Naunion.

Arranged and rung to oblige J. Spencer and F. W, Naunton, of Wrentham.

BROMLEY COMMON, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, September 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Luke,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 15 cwt.

Albert E. Newick ... ...Tveble $\begin{aligned} & \text { Robert Brett-Smith ... } 5 \\ & \text { Reginad Brough }\end{aligned}$ Reginald Brough ... ... 2 Thos. Groombridge, Junr. 6 | John Wheadon ... | .. | ... | 3 | Thos. Groombridge | ... | 7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George French... | .. | ... | 4 | John Newick | ... | ... |
| ... |  |  |  |  |  |  | Conducted by Thomas Groombrige, Sent.

PENDLETON, MANCHESTER.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt . O qr. I 2 lbs .


Rung as a welcome to the Rev. A. L. Farsbrooke, who was inducted to the living of St. Thomas on this date. It was also a compliment to the conductor on his 2ist birthday.

POOLEV, DORSET
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Parish Chorch of St. James,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Holt's Ten-Part.
Charles W. Goodenoughtreble
George H. James
He ... 2 Benjamin Gough ... ... 6
Harold C. Baverstock... 3 Lewis W. Wiffen ...
Harry R. Bennett.. .4 alfred Osman ...... Conducted by Charles W. Goodenough.
Quarterly peal of the East Dorset Branch, and arcanged for Mr. Gough.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Half-a-Minute,
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGE Tenor $20 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in E .
Alfred Keeble. George Wilson.
Allen F. Balley
James M. Bailey
... ...Treble
$\qquad$
First peal on the bells since being rehung by Messrs. G. Day \& Sons, of Eye.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS,
AND THE ST. MARY ABBOT'S GUILD, KENSINGTON.
On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Albert V. Selby ... ...Treble Menry G. Miles ... ... 2 $\begin{array}{lll}\text { William E. Garrard } & \cdots & 3 \\ \text { Clarence H. Dobbie } & \cdots & 4\end{array}$

Tenor r6 ${ }^{3}$ cwt.
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Ernest G. Stibbons } & . . & 5 \\ \text { William A. Garrard } & \cdots & 6\end{array}$ James R. Mackman
Frederick J. Red
7
7 Conducted by H. G. Miles.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Miles and Stibbons. The company wish to place on record their appreciation of the local band foregoing their practice in order that the peal might be rung.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHFSTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORYIGR COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES ; Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. 26 lbs.
John W. Whiting ... ...Tveble Lionel H. Page William G. Edwards ... 2 Arthur Stubbington ... 4 Wilelam T. Tucker William H. George George Williams ... ...T Tenor Composed by Henry Dains, and Conducted by George Williams.

* First peal of Double Norwich.

GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF DUBLIN COMPLEX MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES; Tenor $22 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.

Arthur Payne ... ...... Treble
John S. Richardson
John S. Richardson ... 2 Joserh W Parker ${ }^{2}$... 5 John F. Bird ... ... 3 Benjamin C. Dixon ... 7 Norman C. Fleck... ... 4 William H. Barber ...Tenoy

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by William H. Barber.
This method is now rung for the first time, and is the production of Mr . G. Lindoff. It is the first plain method to be rung with lengthening leads.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, September 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At tee Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES $;$

Tenor 12 cwt. o qr. 9 lbs.
David Collins ... ... ...Treble | William Rose ... ... ... 5 George A. Wightman ... 2 Leonard Last ... ... ... 6 Hobart E. Smith ... ... 3 George E. Symonds ... 7 deslie C. Wightman ... 4 Francis W. Nadnton ...Tenor Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by George E. Symonds. Rung in honour of the Harvest Festival.

DIBDEN, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, September 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of All Saints
A PEAL OF CRAHDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES ,
Holt's Ten-Part
Henry T. Martin ... ...Treble Charles W. Goodenough 2 George Clasby ... ... ... 3 Edwin Welistead...

Conducted by C
Tenor io cwt.

EdWh Wellstead
Rung for the Harvest Festival. The band were entertained to tea at the Rectory after the peal.

PENDLETON, LANCS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Monday, September 29, 1913, in Tizo Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas, A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES; Tenor i\& cwt.
'George E. Turner Alfred Barnes...

Treble William Sherciafe James Barratt ..
Josepa Winterbottom

George Williams ..
William Rawlings George Preston ... ... 7 John Curtis ... ... ...Tenoy rgge Preston.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuestay, September 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's. Tenor rol c cwt.
Albert J. L. Naunton ...Treble |Ernest W. Hall ... ... 4 Albert J. Naunton... ... 2 John Spencer ... ... ... 5 William H. P. Mellin... 3 Francis W. Naunton ...Tenor Conducted by John Spencer.
*First peal and first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. A. J. Naunton, wife of the ringer of the 2nd and mother of the ringers of treble and tenor. She was 70 years of age on the 18th inst.

## BARCOMBE, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Septenber 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-tiwo Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES:
Being $4^{2}$ Six-scores with nine different callings.
Tenor 7 cwt: 3 qr. 9 lbs.
Leonard H. Stevens ...Treblle Albert E. Anscombe ... 4 William H. Banks ... ... 2 Luke Verrall... ... ... 5 Albert E. Edwards ... 3 James H. Cox ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Albert E. Edwards.
This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to the Rector of the parish (the Rev. Prebendary R. J. Salmon), and to the Right Hon. Lord Monk Bretton, C.B., of Conyboro' Park; also to the ringer of the treble.

## MADRESFIELD, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Western Branch.)
On Thursday, September 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;
Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Grandsire and Plain Bob.

Tenor 14 cwt .
-George M. Trodghton...Treble ${ }^{-}$Frederick Stanton ... 4
*William Niblett ... ... 2 'Charles Camm... ... ... 5
$\dagger$ Ernest E. Barber... ... 3 Robert G. Knowles ... Tenor Conducted by R. G. Knowles.

* First peal of Minor. † First peal in seven methods away from treble.

FRENSHAM, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF SINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, College Single, Oxford Single

Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor In cwt.
Alfred J. Choter ... ...Treble Crpl. Geo. Gilbert, R.E. 4 Charles Edwards ..... .2 Alfred J. Croucher ... 5
*George Fisher... ... ... 3 †Hubert Chaffey ... ...Tenor
Conducted by Hobert Chaffey.
*First peal in seven methods on an inside bell. + First peal in seven methods.as conductor.

## MALDON ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
(The Maldon and District Guild.)
On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF TrEBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 Changes;

Being 720 each of College Exercise, Norwich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, New London Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford, Tenor 13 cwt.
Ebenezer W. Finch
...Treble Horace J. Mansfield ... 4
Alfred South ... ....
... 2 Walter Nice...
... ...
Harold Finch... Conducted by Fred Chalk.
First peal as conductor.

## ARDINGLY, SUSSEX.

On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes. At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;


First peal by the ringers of the treble and tenor, who are local ment. First peal of Doubles by all and first peal. on the bells.

## BRINDLE, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Preston Branch.)

On Saturday, Septomber 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes. At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MIMOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Single, Plain Bob; College Single,. Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ cwt.
Thomas Stott ... ... ...Treble John Fowler ... ... ... 4 E. Roger Martin William Sharples ... ... 3 William Fowler ... ...Tenor Conducted by E. R. Martin.
First peal in seven methods for all except the ringers of 2 and 5 .

## WOODFORD,. NORTHANTS:

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford! and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor. Tenor 17 cwt. Leonard Wyman ... ...Treble Thomas Jervis... ... ... 4, Harry Meadows $\quad . .$. Pearl Inskip ... ... .... 3 Reginald C. Loveday ...Tenor Conducted by Reginald C. Lovedat.

## BURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-flurec Minutes. At the Church of St. Botolph,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being. 720 each of Plain Bob, Oxford Delight and Woodbine, and twa 720 's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

| Lester L. Gray... | ... | ...Treble | Charles E. Fisher | ... | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

 Conducted by Charles E. Fisher.

## HAWKESHEAD, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Furness and Lake District Branch.)
On Saturday, Septenber 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Kent Treble Bob, three of Oxford Treble Bob, and one of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor in cwt.
Eric L. Bennett ... ...Treble $\mid$ Thomas F. Hewartson ... 4
Woodburn Nevinson ... 2 Charles E. Webb ... ... 5 Gordon Whittam ... ... 3 William Robinson ... ...Tenor Conducted by E. L. Bennett

TODDINGTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

 (Sadthern Branch.)On Sunday, September 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF doubles, 5040 Changes;

Being 32 Six-scores of St. Dunstan's and io of Grandsire. Walter Jones ... ... ...Treble Leonard Nichols - Hubert Cotton $\quad . .$. 4Joseph D. Johnson $\cdots . .3 \mid$ Albert Colley ... ... Tenor $^{5}$ Conducted by Frederiok J. Johnson.
*First peal. $\dagger$ First peal on tower bells. First peal on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor. W. Jones was elected a:member before starting. The band wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells, and Mr. C. Laurence for having everything in readiness and entertaining them after the peal.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

LONDON.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS On Tuesday, Septomber 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes, at George idV., Haggerston.

## a PEAL OF 8 tedman triples, 5040 Chances;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Walter S. Wise ... ... i-2 Frederick J. Hardy ... 5-6 Challis F. Winney $. . . \quad 3-4$ Alfred W. Grimes $. . . \quad 7-8$ Conducted by Walter S. Whes.
Umpires: Joseph Barry and Christopher H. Hughes.
The above is Alfred Grimes' 300th peal and the conductor's 50 th peal on han:1bells.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On. Wednesday, Septenber 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes, At the Residence of A. H. Pulling,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES; Size 14, in D.
Septimus Radford... ... I-2 | Willogghby E. Madlden 5-6
 Composed by Sydney Wade, and Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling. Witness: Alfred Septimus Radford.

SCARBOROUGH, YORKS.
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, September 24, 1913, in One Hour and Fifty Minutes, At the Residence of J. R. Barton, 7i, Caledonia Street,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Being 42 Six-scores, called 13 different ways.
 Conducted by J. R. Barton. Witnesses: Mrs. Barton and Mrs. Fryirs.

- First peal. † First peal on an inside bell. First peal of handBells by all except the conductor.


## SCARBOROUGH, YORKS.

THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, September 28, 1913, is One Hour and Forty-cight Minutes, At the Residence of J. R. Barton, 7i, Caledonia Street,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being seven 720's each called differently.
*J. R. Barton

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Conducted by J. R. Barton. }
\end{aligned}
$$

Witnesses: John R. Fryirs, Mrs. Barton and Miss L. Barton.

* First peal of Minor. + First peal of Minor on handbells. First peal on the handbells which are the property of H . Gibson.

The following peals were rung during a week's ringing round Norwich.

## NORWICH.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuestay, September 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-six Minutes, at the Church of St. Peter Mancroft,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCE8;

 Tenor 43 cwt. I qr. 19 lbs.*George Day ... ... ...Treble Charles E. Borrett ... 6
John E. Burton ... ... 2 George P. Burton... ... 7
*Frank H. Phillips ... 3 William Steele ... ... 8
Harry J. Borrett ... ... 4 Frederick Seager ... ... 9 George N. Price ..... $.5{ }_{5} 5$ Frederick R. Borrett...tenor Composed by 1. Reeves, and Conducted by F. R. Borrett.

* First peal of Treble Bob Royal.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, September 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifiy-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
a PEAL OF DOUBLE HORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES; Tenor 8 cwt . I qr. 20 lbs.
John Aldis, Sent. ... ..Treble George N. Price ... ... 5
Frederick J. Whitham $\ldots . .2$ Frank R. Copeman $\quad . . .5$
Alfred Funnell ......$\quad 3 \quad$ William Steble ......$\quad 7$
George Howchin … $\ldots . .4{ }^{4}$ Frederick J. Howchin .... Tenor
Composed by G. Lindoff, and
Conducted by G. N. Price.
AYLSHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Septenber 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes At the Chorch of St. Michael,

## a peal of oxford treble bob royal, 5040 changes;

Tenor 20 cwt .
Frederick J. Howchin ...Treble $\mid$ Albert G. Warnes ... 6
*Grorge H. Cross ... ... 2 *Bertie J. Howchin ... 7
*George N. Price ... ... 3 George Moy ... ... ... 8
George Howchin ... ... 4 •Frederick R. Borrett... 9
John Moy ... ... ... ... 5 - William Steele ... ...Tenor Composed by H. Price, and Conducted by William Steele.
*First peal of Oxford Treble Bob Royal.

## NORWICH.

TEE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, September 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Michael Coslany,
a PEAL OF bouble norwich court boe major, 5072 changea


WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Three Hours aud Thirty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## a PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 Changes;

 Tenor 254 cw .| *William Steele $\ldots . .$. Treble | Ernest Whiting | $\ldots$ | ... | 5 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frederick R. Borrett | 2 | John Snelling... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 6 |

George N. Price ... $. . .3 \left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll}\text { Edwin Whiting } & \cdots \\ \text {... } \\ 7\end{array}\right.$
 Composed by 4. H. Hattersley, and Conducted by G. N. Price.
*First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. This was F. R. Borrett's 400 th peal.

The peal rung at St. Martin's, Epsom, on September $17^{\text {th }}$, was Oxford Bob Triples, not Grandsire as published.

## EXCURSION IN THE LINCOLNSHIRE FENS.

 INTERESTING INCIDENTS IN A RINGING WEEK.An enjoyable ringing excursion in the Lincolnshire Fen district has just concluded. The party met at Billingborough, and after some Stedman " in hand," strolled round the village, and then on to Horbling, about half a mile away. "We could not ring here, as the tower is supposed to be unsafe, so we mounted the stairs, and had a look at the bells-a ring of five, tenor about 10 cwt. These we found in a dirty, deplorable condition. Four are by Penn in 1719, and one, a later addition in 1801, by another founder. After tea the nine of us tapped off Grandare, Stedman and Plain Bob Doubles, for evening service at Billingborough Church on the ring of five there. Monday morning found the party at Boston Stump, the landmark of the Fens, one of the most magnificont parish churches in the king dom. The tall western tower, with its lantern, contains twelve bells, eight of which are hung for ringing (tenor 28 cwt .), the other four being for the clock chimes. The ringing chamber is most unique, and most difficult to ring in. In the first place the stone-groined ceiling of the tower, rising in the middle of the chamber, forms a dome, which hides nearly all of each ringer, except his head, from the others. The ringers also are hampered by the close proximity of the bells, the salleys going round the wheels. The noise is great, and the dome only allows a narrow gangway for each ringer to stand in. All, however, had a pull in Stedman Triples and Double Norwich; journeyed up to the top of the lantern and enjoyed the fine view from an elevation of some 300 feet, Lincoln Cathedral being seen quite plainly

After dinner we journeyed to Kirton, some four miles away. The Church of SS. Peter and Paul contains a peal of eight (tenor 18 cwts.) in its western tower, and a peal attempt for Little Bob Major ran home in 3 hrs. 16 mins. Although recently rehung, the bells go none too well: in fact, it was ouly through the perseverance of the ringers on 7 and 8 that the peal was accomplished, as these two bells took some handling. The ringers in the peal represented eight distinct towers. One of the motor bikes on the way back to our destination for the night refused to "make the bob," and "Jack" had to tramp eleven miles across the fens, and leave his motor to repose at a farmhouse
Heckington, the queen of Lincolnshire villages, was risited on the Tuesday, and the bells, eight in number (tenor 20 cwt.), of the magnificent church of St . Andrew with its massive tower and spire, were set going to Stedman. After partaking dinner at the Red Cow, we mounted our steads en route for the small village of Ewerby, some four miles away. The Church of St. Andrew contains a peal of 10 in the western tower and spire (tenor 15 cwt .). These bells are in D, a rather unusual note for the weight of metal. We kept the bells going to Little Bob Royal, Surfleet Treble Bob Caters, Stedman and Grandsire Caters until at 8 p.m. Next morning we journeyed to Surfleet, with its leaning tower and spire, containing the new and beautiful ring of ten. We found the little village en fete, on aocount of a wedding, so we tapped off a wedding touch as the bride and bridegroom came out of church, and had our photos taken. We kept the bells going to Stedman Caters, Duffield and Double Norwich, until 8 o'clock. when we parted for the night, some staying at Surfleet; others cycling away to be nearer to the village of Ruskington, some 20 miles off, where six of us were making a peal attempt the next morning. The Rector of Ruskington met us in church, and extended a hearty welcome. He had everything ready for us, bells oiled and ropes all in order, and the first peal on the bells ran home in 3 hours, being a Yorkshire Association and Lincoln Guitd peal, in Kent, Oxford and Plain Bob.
In the evening we cycled to Sleaford, where the others of our party joined us, and the eight bells by Osborne, of Downham Market (tenor 20 cwt.), were kept going to Stedman Triples. Fridar was a blank day, as there were no near towers available for a pull, so at the invitation of the Rev. H. Law James we journeyed to Surfleet again, and did more ringing there on the peal of ten. Saturday was the day fixed for the Talf-yearly meeting of the Lincoln Guild, at Metheringham, so we journeyed thither, and some of our party filled up the vacant places, as the arrangements included a peal at tempt, in addition to the meeting, and Thurstans' four-part was then had a pull, and attended the service, tea and meeting. The Church of St. Wilfrid contains in its low western tower a peal of eight, with tenor 8 cwt. This was the splitting up of the camp, and we partedl for our respective homes, after a most pleasant outing.
Through the medium of this paper, we wish to thank the various incumbents for the use of the bells, and our friends in Lincolnshire for extending to us so hearty a welcome. The towers represented in the outing were: Sheffield, Derby, Eastwood, Rotherham, Heckington, Surfleet, Grimsby, Billingborough, Pinchbeck, Nottingham.'

## THE ADDRESS of the RINGING WORLD

 9, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.
## THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

## SUCCESSFUL MEETING A'I DUNCHURCH,

Dunchurch, situate on the border of the county, would not strike one as being an ideal place for a ringers' meeting, but that it was not unwisely chosen was evidenced by the fact that about 20 members and friends were present at the September monthly meeting of the Warwickshire Guild, which was held on Saturday last, the places repreconted being Allesley, Coventry, Nuncaton, Rugby, and the local band. Curiously enough, the aingers from Rugby and the ncighbouring towers within easy range were very scarce, and had they turned up to any extent, a record, numerically, might easily have been created for a monthly meeting of the Guild

The bells, recently restored, are a musical peal of six, and a little on the weighty side. Some good ringing was obtained in the following methods: Stedman and Bob Doubles, Bob Minor and Kent Treble Bob.The Vicar, the Rev. F. R. Harbord, gave the members a most enthusiastic welcome, and sat in the tower while several touches were rung, thus showing the interest he takes in ringing and ringers generally
A meat tea was partaken of at the Groen Man ILotel, and at the conclusion of the meal, the Ringing Master (Mr. James George) said how pleased he was to see so many ringers present, and thanked the Vicar and Mr. Pinfold, the leader of the local ringers, for their kindness in making such splendid arrangements for the meeting.-At the conclusion of the tower bell ringing, the handbells were requisitioned, and a course each of Grandsire Triples and Caters, and touches of Stedman Triples were rung, together with tunes by Messrs. Malins, White and Hessian.
It is pleasing to add that the local ringers, to the number of about ten, were present, and expressed a desire to join the Guild, and their names will be put forward in duo course. As they are a promising young band, it is hoped that some arrangements can be made for their tuition, as they show signs of developing into good change ringers, and will be an acquisition to the Guild.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday week the second quarterly meeting of the year was held at Southwell, and a very enjoyable and pleasant time was spent there by those enthusiasts who were present. Ringing took place during the afternoon and evening, excepting the intervals for evensonge and tea. Touches of Grandsire and IStedman Triples, Bob Major, Double Norwich and Kent Treble Bob Major were brought round, and doubtless several other and more advancod methods would have been assayed but for the very awkward rope-sight caused by the large size of tho ringing room, the screens to prevent a fall into the nava bclow, and the bells going the "wrong way round." The majority of the visitors attended evensong, the bell anthem, "Rejoice in the Lord alway," being especially and very ably rendered by the choir. A firstrate meat tea was provided, amongst the 28 sitting down being the Rev. J. R. Thomas, Mr. J. W. Taylor (vice-president), Mr. W. C. Wakley (hon. treasurer), and Mr. W. E. White (hon. secretary). At the stibsequent meeting the vice-president occupied the chair and read the list of peals rung during the past quarter, riz.: 35 on tower bells and one on handbells, which brought the total for the year up to 84, this being a falling off of 30 peals in comparison with the corresponding period in 1912.

The Ven. Archdeacon Hacking and the Rev. J. R. Thomas were elected honorary members, and one lifo and four ringing members were also admitted.
Thanks were accorded to the Ven. Archdeacon Wild for the use of the bells, and to the Rev. J. R. Thomas for his welcome to Southwell and his presence at the tea.-The Rev. J. R. Thomas responded, and hoped he might be able to attend future meetings of the Association, and to welcome the members again to South well. He also promised to convey the thanks of the meeting to the Rector (Archdeacon Wild) who was absent from home.-Thanks were also given to the Southwell ringers for making the very satisfactory arrangements.

During the day it was noticed that representatives were present from Burton-on-Trent, Cotgrave, Derby, Duffield, Ilkeston, Long Eaton, Loughborough, Netherseale, Newark, Retford, Sawley and Swindon.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY

In ideal weather, the society held a meeting at Penn, on Salurday last, ringers being present from Bilston, Bloxwich, Bradley, Coseley, Kidderminster, Rushall, Sedgley, Smethwick, Stafford, Tettenhall, Tipton, West Bromwich, Willonhall, Wolverhampton, Wombourn, Wood Green, and the Tocal band. The methods rung were various, four of the local men standing in a touch of Grandsire Trıples, the outcome of recent instruction.
The committeo meeting was held in the vestry, presided over by the Vicar (the Rev. O. A Holden). Eleven new members were emolled, and the Fandsworth meeting arranged for January 24 th or thereabouts. A short service was held in church, conducted by the Rev. E. V. Cox, and $a$ helpful address delivered by the Rev. O. A. Jolden. Mr. II. Mitchell kindly officiated as organist, assisted by Mr. H. Hawkswood. Tea was provided at the Rose and Crown, after which further ringing was indulged in.

## BELL RESTORATION AT BREMHILL.

A weloome beginning in the work of restoration, which is so sorely needed in the Marlborough branch of the Salisbury Guild, has been made at Bremhill, where the six bells have just been rededicated, after being xehung by Messrs. Webb and Bennett, of Kidlington. A party of over 20 ringere assembled for the re-opening from Beechingstoke, Bremhill, Calne, Hilmarton, IKidlington, Marlborough, Southbroom and Wootton Bassett. The service was read by the Rev. G. Long, Vicar of Bremhill, and in the course of the service a few rounds were mung on the bells. An instructive address was delivered by the Rev. E. J. Bodington, Archdeacon of Wilts, who gave an interesting account of the history of the church and bells at Bremhill, and based a practical discourse on the inscriptions on the 5th bell, "Floreat Ecclesia Anglicana" (May the Church of England flourish), and the tenor, "I to the church the living call, and to the grave do summon all."
After service the aingers returned to the tower, and Grandsire and Stedman Doubles were rung.-Tea was provided at the Vicarage, and during the evening ringing was again indulged in.

The bells lave been hung in a new iron frame, and the "go" leaves nothing to be desired. All members of the Marlborough branch will hope that this may prove to be but a beginning in the way of restoration, and that the example of Bremhill may 600 n be followed by many other towers. The branch is starting a centre for instruction in change ringing, which is to be Theld at 7 p.m. on Wednesday evenings, at Hilmarton, beginning on October 8th.

## DUBLIN COMPLEX MAJOR. By G. LINDOFF, DUBLIN. 5056

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Any peal of Treble Bob or Bristol Surprise Major will run true to this method by doubling it with two singles.

## A DAY IN NORTH AND MID=SOMERSET.

## A DELIGIITTHUL RINGING OUTING.

The ringers of the Parish Church, Swindon, had a most enjoyable outing in North and Mid-Somerset, the journey being accomplished by motor-'bus from Bristol. A beautiful run over the bracing Mendips to Shepton Mallet, the first halting place, was much enjoyed, and after a brief spell in the tower of the Parish Church, a move was made for Street, passing through one of the most interesting and historical districts in England en route. Glastonbury Tor, a famous Somerset landmark, first claimed attention, while the distant Blackdown and Quantock hills made a fine background to the beautiful pastoral district we were negotiating in our comfortable char-a-banc. Down the fine old High Street of Glastonbury, with its many historical buildings, past the ruins of the one once famous Abbey, and the well-preserved Abbots Kitchen, the village of Street was reached, and the bells were soon set swinging, but did not continue long enough to please some ancient bell ringers, who were quickly attracted to the tower by the sound of the peal. St. John's, Glastonbury, was now risited, and two short touches rung. Then the party set off to the beautiful old City of Wells, which nostles so serencly under the protection of the sheltering Mendips. Hore a really first-class dinner was enjoyed at Wickenden's Restaurant. After a brief stroll round the Bishop's Palace, with its well-preserved walls, towers and moat, the long climb up the south-western tower of the Cathedral to the ringing chamber was tackled. The four big bells Were raised singly, and the front six in peal. A few rounds followed for the young hands, and then a course of Grandsire Caters, which was ptite well struck, after which the glorious and unsurpassed ring was lowered in peal. St. Cuthbert's, with its musical peal of eight, was next visited, and Grandsire and Double Norwich rung.

A long run to Cheddar, up through the famous gorge, over the wild moors to Blagdon, our next tower, was much enjoyed, especially the romantic scenery of the gorge, where the cliffs rise shece up from the road about 800 feet. Arriving above Blagdon a. rery steep descent had to be carefully negotiated. The scene on coming over the crest of the
hill is really quite enchanting, the village with its beautiful church, artistic villas, and charming old cottages being prominent, while beyond is the huge lake formed by the Bristol Corporation for their new water supply, added to which the whole countryside is prettily wooded. Stedman Triples and Superlative were the methods rung here. Wrington, the last tower on the programme, was reached somewhat behind time, and after a hurried tea, the beautiful tower of the Parish Church was visited, and the fine ring of ten bells raised. The event here was the first course of Stedman Caters by a Swindon company, the achievement being one they were proud of. On descending from the tower it was found to be raining, but the driver had put the hood up, which was a great protection, and very little inconvenience was experienced from the weather. Just one hour remained to catch the 7.50 train from Bristol, and th's was accomplished with ten minutes to spare, Swindon being reached at 9 o'clock. It is not uninteresting to note the weights of the bells handled during the day: Shepton Mallet, tenor, 25 cwt.; Street, 23 owt.; Glastonbury, 26 cwt.; Wells Cathedral, 573 cwt.; St. Cuthbert's, 28 cwt.; Blagdon, $18{ }^{3}$ cwt.'; Wrington, 37 cwt.

The company numbered 17, including three visitors, in Mr. Newell, of Reading; Mr. Sylvester, Compton Beauchamp; and Mr. Townsend, Tilbury. The ringers desire to thank the various authorities for so readily granting permission to ring, and to those brother ringers who so kindly assisted in the arrangements.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

 THE ELMDON MEETING.The much discussed bye-meeting of the North Western Division of the Essex Association was held at Elmdon, on Saturday week, about 25 members putting in appearance by brake and cycle from Saffrot Walden, Wenden, Rickling, Stanstod, Elsenham, Royston, Ickleton and Stapleford, together with the local company. By the kindness of Mr. J. F. Wilkes, J.P., an honorary member of the Association, a splendid tea was provided at Elmdon Bury.-Mr. F. Pitstow (Districi Master) presided, supported by Mr. W. Watts (district secretary), anc Mr. J. F. Wilkes. The Vicar, unfortunately, was away from home The business comprised the election of a number of new members, including the Rev. Brabant Smith as an honorary member; Messrs. D. Greenhill, E. Negus, E. Greenhill, G. Adams, and C. Gamgee, of Elmdon; and Mr. C. Law, of Wenden, as probationers; Mr. R. Wilkerson, of Royston, as a non-resident life member. Messrs. H. Dew and P. C. Springham's election prior to a peal at Bishop Stortford was con-firmed.-Mr. F. Pitstow proposed, and Mr. J. Luckey seconded, that the best thanks of the meeting be accorded Mr. J. F. Wilkes for kindly entertaining the members to tea, and also to the Vicar for the use of the bells.-Mr. W. Prior proposed, and Mr. T. J. Watts seconded, a vote of thanks to the Master and secretary. He said he was very sorry to say this meeting had given them a lot of extra work.-Mr. F. Pitstow, in replying, said they did not mind how much extra work and trouble this bye-meeting had given them; he mas only too pleased to see so many members present, and hoped they should have many more meetings at Elmdon. He was glad to say this had been ons of the most successful meetings ever held in the North Western Division.Touches in the following methods were rung before and after tea: Plain Bob Doubles, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, London Surprise, and 720 Cambridge Surprise by: W. Prior 1, G. Jordan 2, J. Luckey 3, R. Wilkerson 4, T. J. Watts 5, W. Watts (conductor) 6.

## BELLS OF CHEWTON MENDIP, SOMERSET.

 NEW PEAL OF EIGHT OPENED.Thursday, September 18th, was an eventful day for the retired vil. lage of Chewton Mendip, among the combes and spurs of the Mendips. It possesses a grand and stately tawer of the Taunton type, some 126 ft , in height, and is the admiration of the most competent authorities. It became necessary to deal with the injury caused by a defective timber frame, and it was eventuallr decided to replace it by a low side massive iron framework on stout steel supporting girders, thus retaining the A principle, on the model of the one at Wimborne St. Giles', in Dorset, and to recast the existing ring of six bells into one of eight. The work was entrusted to Messrs. John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, and their name is a sufficient guarantee of the excellence of every detail. The new treble is approximately $5 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., as against 10 cwt. of the old ring, and the new tenor is 24 cwt. 1 ar., as against 27 cnt. 2 ars. 10 lbs. The total weight is, broadly, 92 , against $88^{3}$ cwt. The key is D. A new Ellacombe's chiming apparatus, on the latest principle, was also fitted up instead of one of an antiquated type. In point of fact, everything in the tower is new. The clock strikes the Cambridge chimes on the 2nd, 3rd, 4 th and 7th, with the hour on the tenor, and the sound carries further than formerly. Tl:e opening ceremony was impressive, and was performed by the Archdeacon of Wells. The sermon was preached by the Rev. A. N. Bax, Rector of Maperton, near Wincanton, and will long live in the memories of thnse who heard it. The bells were rung by members of the Midsomer Norton branch of the Bath and Wells Association, and Grandsire and Stedman Triples were thus heard for the first time by many. A public tea and social evening, with cards, ete., in the Schoolroom, organised by the Bells Committee, and a supper for the ringers brought the day to a pleasing close. The village may well be congratulated on the magnificent heritage which will be handed down to future generations in the full security that their tower is saved from all danger by the care of those now living.

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## ODD CHANGES.

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The installation of the new peal at Chelmsford adds Essex to the counties which enjoy the possession of rings of twelve. The 33 peals are distributed over the country thus: London, 8 ; Yorkshire, 5 ; Gloucestershire, 4; Lancashire, 3; Warwickshire and Norfolk, 2 each; and Worcestershire, Kent, Shropshire, Oxfordshire, Buckinghamshire, Cambridge, Suffolk, Staffordshire and Essex, one each.

It is curious what blunders the general Press frequently make in regard to ringing matters. One London daily last Saturday referred to the dedication at Chelmsford, and remarked that " there are not more than half-a-dozen peals of 12 bells in the whole country," and, in referring to the difficulty of getting expert ringers to open them, adds, " a few will come from Saffron Walden, the ringers having had the necessary 12 -bell experience at Canbridge." No one, we are sure, will enjoy this amusing announcement more than Mr. Fred Pitstow, who was Saffton Walden's representative.

Speaking of Saffron Walden reminds us that the scheme to provide this tower with two trebles to make a peal of ten is well under weigh, and it is hoped that the church will be in possession of its augmented ring in a very short time now. They will doubtess make a magnificent peal, and there will be a fine scope for the band, which the

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. <br> IMPORTANT MEEIING AT BIRSTALL.

Favoured with a day of brilliant sunshine, Yorkshire members as sembled in force at Birstall for the September meeting on Saturday last. The eight bells of the Parish Church (tenor 20 cwt.) were made full use of until a late hour, although opinions were freely expressed that the back bells, at any rate, neecied attention by a competent bell hanger. The bells at Drighlington and Batley Churches were also at the members' disposal, and many enjoyed touches on them. The history of the church in Birstall dates back to very early days. Before any church existed there was probably a Saxon cross standing on the same spot, where the Gospel was preached, and persons were baptised in the adjoining stream. One of the stones that formed part of the socket of the cross is now in the side chapel. In the same chapel will be found the basin of the old Norman font, and the lower part of the tower is Norman. The church, except the tower, was rebuilt in 1868, and is well worth a visit. About ten minutes' walk from the church is Oakwell Hall, an old Elizabehan mansion, which has the additional interest of being the supposed residence of Shirley in Miss C. Bronte's novel of that name.
Upwards of 230 members, representing 45 towers, sat down and did full justice in true ringers' fashion to a splendid meat tea in the National Schools. The business meeting followed, with the President, the Rev. C. C. Marshall, in the chair, supported by the Vicar of Birstall, the Rev. H. C. Cradock, M.A., the hon. secretary (Mr C. Glenn), the hon. treas. (Mr. J. Cotterell), and several members of the committec. In view of the important matters to be decided at the annual meeting in January, the hope was expressed that some convenient centre would be arranged for by the committee, no invitation having as yet been received. Messrs. T. Maude and W. Elliott were elected as anditors and returning officers.

## THE DIVISION OF THE COUNTY.

The question of the proposed division of the county into districts, with the requisite alteration of rules, was thoroughly gone into. Every member had been supplied beforehand with a list of towers with number of bells in each district, and a copy of the suggested new rules. Mr. J. W. T. Holgate gave official notice of motion, to come up for decision at the annual meeting, that the county be divided into four districts, according to the list as printed (with minor alterations, which were specified). It was, he said, absolutely imperative that some move should be made if they were to keep m touch with members all over the great area, and if missionary work in the outlying districts were to be undertaken, which it was clearly the Association's duty to do. The motion was formally seconded by Mr. H. Williams.

The Chairman said that no doubt some would think the western district was too big, but the opinion of the committee was that it would be better to divide the county into these four general districts as a commencement, than to suggest further sub-divisions at once. would then leave to these districts the opportunity of suggesting further sub-divisions, if the conditions seemed to call for them after a certain amount of practical experience.
Remarking on some criticism of the large areas, Mr. Whitaker said that he was a "spade-worker" so long ago as 1860. He thought that members should be thankful for the several means of quick transit which now existed, as compared with those of former days. Mr. Elliott said that the new district committees which would be set up would provide many good men with opportunities of giving service which they have not at present.

The Hon. Secretary gave official notice of motion for the adoption of the suggested new rules as printed (with an addition to Rule II as specified), this also to be decided at the annual meeting. He explained the reasons for the various alterations. Here it may be mentioned that the Yorks Association arlmits members to life membership when their subscriptions amount to 12s. 6d., a charge of 3d. only being made to life members who desire to have the Annual Report. In order that the association may not be worked at a. loss on account of the additional expense which division will necessitate, it is proposed to increase to 1s. the price of reports to life members. The Secretary, in reply to various questions on this point, said that for years the older life members had been getting much for nothing, and that as the report, which was looked upon as a model, cost about 10d. to print and might increase, the charge was fair and reasonable.
Mr. Whittaker, seconded by Mr. Moxon, gave notice of motion that three peals he printed on a page, instead of one, and that the charge be 6d. The Treacurer pointed out that several life members would not eren pay 3 d. for a report, which cost nearly 1s., and it was hardly likely that they would give twice as much for one which would be about half its former value. The discussion on the proposed alterations, in which many members took part, showed that members in general believed that the committeef had done their best, and had at heart the true welfare of the Association.

## VOTES OF THANKS.

The Chairman proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and warden for the use of the bells and schools, also to the Council of the Institute for the use of committee rooms, and mentioned that it was here that he was taught to ring when a curate. Here also was held the Association's first meeting in October, 1875, and it was noteworthy that they were here discussing thesc important changes for the still
further advancement of change ringing and the Association's welfare.Mr. Bolland, vice-president, seconded, and the motion was heartily carried.
The Vicar, expressing deep appreciation of the vote of thanks, said the planning of the arrangements for this large gathering had been a great pleasure to him and his co-workers. He had baptised some of those present that day, and was to be excused if he could not recognise them now. He was very pleased to see the chairman there amongst his many old friends in Birstall.
Votes of thanks were also passed to tho Vicars of Drighlington and Batley for the use of the bells there.
A warm vote of thanks was accorderl to the local branch for their excellent arrangements, also to the ladies who kindly assisted in preparing and sarving the tea; and with thanks to the chairman for so ably and impartially presiding over such an important meeting, the proceedings terminated.

## DEATH OF MR. W. A. TYLER, BRISTOL.

HELPED TO RING ST. PAUL'S TENOIR TO THE FIRST PEAL.
His many friends all over the country will learn with regret of the death of Mr. William Atkins Tyler, after a long and painful illness. The deceased was a native of Peterborough, and from a boy was fond of hearing the bells ring. The attraction drew him into the belfry, and eventually he took up the art with enthusiasm. In the course of his career he participated in sixty peals of 5000 changes and upwards. Being always anxious that the bells on which he loved to practice should not get wrong through want of attention, he was constantly to be found in his sparo time amongst them. He thus became very handy amongst bells, and, being known in the district, work soon oame into his hands, with the result that in January, 1887, he made the bell frame and rehung the six bells at St. Mary's, Peterborough, the parish in which he was born, and in which he was then living. Other work followed, and eventually he was engaged by Messrs. Taylor and Co., for whom he worked for about thirteen years. Whilst there he invented the balanced clapper for "odd" bells of any size, an arrangement which prevents the clapper from getting on the wrong side of the bell. About the year 1900 Mr . Tyler removed to Bristol as leading foreman to Messrs. Llewellins and James, the founders, of Castle Green, with a free hand to study and make improvements in bell fittings. Mr. Tyler has carried out some fine work for the firm, rehanging Congresbury, 'a ring of six (tenor 36 cwt., $D$ flat), which have, in the last few years, been made into a peal of eight. The following is a list of peals in which Mr. Tyler took part: Grandsire Triples (conducted 3), 11 ; Caters, 10; Stedman Triples, 11 ; Caters, 1 ; Cinques, 1; Kent Treble Bob Major, 7; Royal, 7; Duffield Royal, 1; Forward, 1: Double Norwich Major, 4 ; Bob Major, 2. Of these 45 were for the Midland Counties Association, 13 for the College Youths, one for the St. James' Society, and the rest for the Gloucester and Bristol Association. The first peal rung upon the bells of St. Paul's Cathodral was Stedman Cinques with two men on the tenor, and Mr. Tyler was one of these

## WASHBROOK'S SURPRISE PRINCIPLE. <br> \section*{To the Editor}

Dear Sir,--The Rev. H. L. James states in your iscue of the 12 th that the system produced by Mr. Washbrook is neither a principle nor a method, but more complicated than either, and should have a name to indicate it as such. Now, sir, the query is, "Can he or any of the Methods Committee give it its proper and correct definition, and if not, why they oannot do so?" I feel sure if they can they will clear away some if not all of the misunderstanding that seems at present to exist.

MR. HODGE.

## SURFLEET CATERS.

## To the Editor

Dear Sir,-Surfleet Caters is a most excellent method, but why does Mr. Law James call it Treble Bob, which it most emphatically is not? What is sauce for the Cavercham goose is surely sauce for the Surfleet gander.-Yours truly,

## THE FIRST PEAL OF TREBLE BOB CATERS

 To the Elitor.Sir,-In view of your remarks re above in "The Ringing World "of September 19th last, I did not think it would be necessary for me to call the attention of the Rev. H. Law James to the fact that the peal rung at Surfleet on September 13th is not the first peal of Treble Bob Caters ever rung.

As, however, there is no withdrawal of the claim in your issue, I have to point out to the reverend gentleman that a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Caters ( 5004 changes) was rung at St. Martin's, Birmingham, on January 7th, 1817 , in 3 hrs. 28 mins., composed and conducted by Thomas Thurstans. Further, a peal of Kent Troble Bob Caters was rung at Aston on February 13th, 1848, consisting of 5004 changes in 3 hrs. 7 mins., composed by Henr'y Johnson, and conducted by Joseph Mitchell
Both peals were rung under the auspices of the St. Martin's Guild (then "Youths "), and are duly recorded in the peal books. The earlier one has the following footnote: "This is the first peal of Caters ever rung in this method.'-Yours faithfully, A. PADDON SMITH.
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YORK MINSTER (Tenor $50 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.)
ST. LEONARD'S CHURCH, SHOREDITCH (Tenor $28 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.) CHELMSFORD CATHEDRAL

## CHELMSFORD BELLS.

## GREAT GATHERING OF RINGERS FOR THE DEDICATION.

## "The Ringing World" Special Report.

No event in the annals of the Essex Association of Change Ringers has drawn together so many members as assembled at Chelmsford on Saturday, when the new peal of twelve bells, placed in the massive tower of the pro-Cathedral, were dedicated to the glory of God, and set aside from all profane and unhallowed uses. In a very short time now St. Mary's will be the mother church of the new diocese of Chelmsford, and this fact gave added importance to last Saturday's proceedings. The Essex Association had an especial interest in the event, for the new treble bell is the gift of the members. The tenor was given by Mrs. Arkwright in memory of William Michael Tufnell, and for the remainder of the peal, the old ten were recast. The tenor came out of the mould scaling 34 cwts. 2 grs. 22 lbs., and the whole peal are an extremely worthy production, of which the founders, Messrs. John Warner and Sons, may be justly proud. They have hung the bells in a steel frame of quite new clesign, which carries great stability without cumbrous appearance. It is the first of its kind to be erected for a peal of twelve bells, and great things are confidently anticipated from its evolution. Another interesting feature is the application of Messrs. Warner's recently patented self-aligning bearinge. These are so constructed that any variation in the alignment of the frame from whatever cause is compensated for by the bearings. They are self lubricating, the oil being supplied to the gudgeon by an oil ring, while the grease is supplied under pressure. The bearings of the tenor weigh over half a hundredweight apiece, and each holds one pint of castor oil and 1 lb . of grease. The floors were put in by Messis. Warner, and the windows of the belfry are fitted with armoured glass screens. The advantage of these latter is amply demonstrated by the way in which all the bells can be clearly heard outside the tower, the sound being diffused through the glass, so that no bell is unduly prominent. It also enables the belfry to hare ample light, and affords a protection to the bells and fittings from dust and the invasion of birds. Apart from the gifts of the treble and tenor, the work has cost close upon $£ 1,000$, and it is gratifying to learn that every penny of this had been raised before the dedication took place.

## AN IMPRESSIVE SERVICE

The service was a most impressive one, and the spacious church was not sufficiently large to hold all who desired to be present. The event, too, was given an official tone, by the presence of the Mayor and Corporation of Chelmsford in their robes of office. Three Bishops were present, and some 40 clergy robed, while among the congregation were nearly 300 ringers representing 47 parishes affiliated to the county association. The arrangements for the ringing had been made by the popular Master of the Association (Mr. C. H. Howard), who had obtained an able and representative band of Essex Association members to open the bells; while the carrying out of other duties connected with the risit of such a large body of ringers had been entrusted to the following stewards: Mescrs. H. F. Cooper, E. Chancellor, A. Edwards, H. W. Kirton, W. Lincoln, F. Radley, H. Richell, W. Ridgewell, and $A$. Whight.

While the congregation were assembling, the organist (Mr. F. R. Frye Mus. B.) gave a shoit recital, and the specially arranged service was intoned by the Precentor (the Rev. J. H. Barrow). The procession from the chancel to the tower moved slowly round the south aisle to the singing of "Hail, festal day," rendered with cornet accompaniment, and in the procession were the Bishop of St. Albans (who performed the Act of Dedication), the Bishop of Barking, the Bishop of Colchester, Canon Lake (Rector), Canon Papilion (former Master of the Essex Association), Canon Hulton, and the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre Chon. secretary of the Association). In a clear voice the Bishop dedicated the bells, and with the customary pefitions the consummation of the undertaking was complete, and the supreme moment when the bells should peal forth upon the waiting ears of thousands was reached. Away up in the grey old tower the men stood at the ropes, and hardly had the last response died away from the lips of the congregation when there resounded over the town the mellow notes of the new bells, whose sounds filtered into the church in subdued yet stirring cadence. The men who had been selected for the task were: Messrs. E. Pve and G. R. Pre (Romfond), R. Sanders and W. Truss (West Ham), T. Fenn and T. W. Faulkner (Barking), C. F. Winnev (London), J. Pitstow (Saffron Walden), Edgar Wightman (Woodford), and H. J Tucker (Bishop Stortford). While the bells were ringing the procession of clergy returned to the chancel, and then the congregation joined in the familiar hymn:-

## Lifted safe within the steeple,

Now our bells are set on high,
Midway 'twixt the mission
Midway 'twixt the earth and sky."

## THIE BISHOP AND RINGERS.

Tho Biehop of Sit. Alhans based his address upon the last two verses of the 150th Psalm, and remarked that the service in which they were 'taking part that day, received a very much greater significance and
meaning by the events of the past two months. He knew perfectly well when he undertook to be present on that day that that church was destincd to be the Cathedral church of the new diocese of Chelmsford. The dedication, therefore, was something of far more importance than the dedication of a peal in the parish church. It was surely something in which the whole county of Essex might take its share, something in which the diocese of St. Albans, from which that new diocese was to be taken, might take its share, and rejoice that the difficulties had been removed, and that those bells, being the bells of the Cathedral Church, would constantly call to worship men from all parts of that new dioceso of Chelnsford. Procceding, the Bishop reminded his hearers that the bells wero a constant call to prayer, and the voice of individual, parochial and national sorrow or joy. He spoke of the high nature of the ringers' office, which was now, he was happy to say, fully recognised. He rejoiced that the guilds and societies of ringars all over the country had raised the whole conception of bell ringing. They had made ringers believe that in the very art and science of what they called their craft, they were able to worship the Almighty. He rejoiced also to think that congregations generally had come to realise, during the last half century far more than they had before, that the office of the ringer was one of the branches of the Church's work. He was certain that that congregation assembled in that church, so soon to become a Cathedral, bore testimony not only to the appreciation of the liberality and munificence which had given that noble peal to that noble church, but to their clesire to bear their witness to the service rendered by the body of ringers throughout the country.
The service concluded with the hymn, "Blessed city, heavenly Salem," and the Te Dcum sung to a solemn chant. For the voluntary the bells replaced the organ, and rang out merrily while the congregation left the church. They struck off crisply into Stedman Cinques, and a touch of 927 was brought round in magnificent style by: $R$. Sanders $1, C, F$. Winney 2, T. Faulkner (conductor) 3, W. Truss 4, G. Pye 5, D. Fenm 6, J. Motts 7, W. L. Catchpole 8, J. IH. Cheesman 9, T. Pitstow 10, E. Wightman 11, E. Pye 12. Meanwhile the large body of ringers assembled scattered themselves about the neighbourhood to listen to the music and all were pleased with the excellence of tone, and the wellbalanced proportions of the bells. Other touches of Stedman Cinques followed, in which visitors took part.

## THE SPEECTIES

The ringers then gathered in the Corn Exchange, where a company of nearly 300 were entertained to a meat tea by the Rector and churchwardens, Canon Lake presiding. A flashlight picture of the unique gathering was taken by Mr. Fred Spalding, of Chelmsford, from whom copies can be obtained.
After tea, the Chairman gave the toast of "The Church and King," and, this having been enthusiastically honoured, then submitted "Success and Prosperity to the Essex County Association of Change Ringers." He could not, he said, render enough thanks to the Association for what they had done to encourage change ringing in the county of Essex. They had raised change ringing to a much higher standard. He specially wanted to thank the Assaciation for the gift of the treble bell to their new peal, and to Mr. Howard, the Master, they were specially grateful for the help and advice he had been able to give them. There would always be a tie between the Association and the Cathedral hy the gift of that treble bell. In conclusion, the Chairman expressed recognition of the belp of those friends who came to ring the bells for the dedication. and to the officers of the Association, especially Mr. Howard, and the hon. secretary (the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre) for all the assistance which they had rendered.
Mr. C. H. Howard, who first replied, congratulated the Rector and churchwardens upon the completion of the work of restoration. The Association felt, as Churchmen, that they would like to hare the privilege of assisting in bringing about that noble ring of twelve bells which should do honour to the county and the town, and they were glarl to be there that day to take part in those proceedings.
The Rev. H. T. W. Eyre also responded, and on behalf of the Association wished prosperity to the new Cathedral Society of ringers, which Mr. H. F. Cooper is forming. One reason why he was glad the Association had given the treble bell was that they had always received a hearty welcome from the Rector and churchwardens of that church, and most especially from the present Rector (hear, hear). He hoped tho next time they came to Chelmsford they would not meet their chairman as Canon Lake, but as the Very Rer. the Dean (applause).

## A REVOLUTION IN BELL HANGING.

Mr. Churchwarden Waller, in proposing "The Visitors," referred to the splendid work which had been carried out by Messrs. Warner and Sons. It had been a great gratification to the Rector and churchwardens that they had been able to select this firm's tender, because they looked upon them as an Essex firm, and to his knowledge the heads of the establishment for three generations had been connected with Chelnsford. Moreover, the foundry was in that part of London which might almost be termed "Essex over the border" " (laughter). When they risited the foundry to see three of their bells cast and found that the restoration of the peals of twelve for York Minster and Shoreditch had been entrusted to Messrs. Warner and Sons, they felt that their own bellis could not be in better hands. Messrs. Warner's men must be the proudest men in Chelmsford that day, on account of the success of the work they had carried out. But if they were proud, not very much less proud must be their masters. If the men were proud of their work
and the masters were proud of their men, then the reputation of the firm was in no danger of falling below the high standard which it had always held. In conclusion, the speaker paid a compliment to the clockmakers for the way in which they had carried out their portion of the work of restoration.
Mr. Robert Warner, who replied, thanked the Rector and churchwardene for the kindness that had been shown the firm during the time the work had bcen in progress. He reminded the company that Chelmsford had the first peal of twelve in Essex. and the heaviest tenor in the county. The frame which carricd the bells was a hundred per cent. stronger than any existing type of frame. It was upon an entirely new principle, while the bearings of the bells were of a character that would make a revolution in bell langing. They were so constructed that no matter what was the condition of the frame and tower, the bells would go well. As ringers, he felt they would welcome such an innovation as that. With regard to the bells themselves, they were tunod on Canon Simpson's five-toned principle. In conclusion, Mr. Warner thanked the architect for his assistance, and expressed regret that, just as he would have liked to see the conclusion of the work, he was etricken down with appendicitis.

Mr. A. Edwards proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector and churchwardens for their kind hospitality, and this concluded the speechmaking.
The bolls were set going again in the evening, both before and after festal evensong, and the first touch of Maximus was rung upon them, this being three leads of Kent.
On Sunday, the bells were rung for the various services, many visitors having the opportunity of testing the bells, while arrangements had also been made for them to visit other towers in the nẹighbourhood.

## THE BELLS.

Treble (C), 4 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lbs -The Essex Association of Change Ringers gave me 1913. C. H. Howard, Master. H. T. W. Eyre, M.A., honorary secretary. Warner et Filii me Fecerunt, A.D. MCM.XIII.
2nd (F), 4 cwt. 2 grs. 2 Ibs.-The gift of T. Clapham. Wm. Dobson, Downham, Norfolk, Fecit 1820. Warner et Felii me Refecerunt. A.D. MCMXIII
3rd (E), 4 cwt 3 qrs. 15 lbs .-The gift of T. Clapharn, Wm. Smith, Wm. Baker, Jno. Saltmarsh, Churchwardens, 1820. Warner et Felii me Refecerunt. A.D. MCMXIII.
4 th (D), 5 cwt. 1 qr. 11 Ibs.-Though much against us may be said, o speak for ourselves we are not afraid. Wm. Mears and Co., London, Fecit 1777. Warner et Filii me Refecerunt, A.D. MCMXIII.
5 th (C), 5 cwt. 3 qrs. 1 lb . If you have a judicious ear, you'll own my voice is sweet and clear. Wm. Mears and Co., London, Fecit 1777. Warner et Filii me Refecerunt, A.D. MCMIXIIT.
6 th (B), 7 cwt .0 qrs. 8lbs.-At proper times our voices we will raise, in sounding to our benefactors praise. Wrm. Mears and Co., London, Fecit 1777. Warner et Filii me Refecerunt. A.D. MCMXIIT.
7 th (A), 8 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lbs. - To honour both of God and King, our roices shall in concert ring. Wm. Mears and Co., London, Fecit 1777. Warner ct Filli me refecerint, A.D. MCMXIII.
8th (G), 9 cwt. 3 qrs. 1 lb.-Thos. Clapham, B. Clapham and R. Shoobridge. Bes. Wm. Mears and Co., London, Fecit 1777 . Warmer et Filii me Refecerunt. A.D. MCMIXIII.
$9 t h(F), 14$ cwt. 2 ars. 5 lbs.-Peace and good neighbourhood. Wm. Mears and Co.. Londion, Fecit 1777. Warner et Filii me Refecerunt. A.D. MCMXIII.

10th (E). 16 cwt. 0 qrs. 8 lbs. - Ye ringers all that prize you heaith and happiness, be sober, merry, wise and you'll the same possess. Wm. Mears and Co. Iondon, Fecit 1777. Warner et Filii me Refecerunt, A.D. MCANIII.

11 ih (D). 23 curt. 0 ars. 18 lhs.-The Rer. Jno. Morgan, Rector. Messrs. Geo. Simpson. Jno. Ward and Mathew Joyce, Churchwardens, 1777. In wedlock hands all ye who join with hands your hearts unite. So shall our tuneful tongues combine to laud the muntial rite. Wm. Mears and Co.. London. Fecit, 1777. Warner et Filii me Refecerunt, A.D. MCATXITI. Henry A. Take, M.A., Rector. William Dennis, Adolphus G Maskell. Theo. H. Waller. Churchwardens.

Tenor (C), 34 cwt. 2 grs. 22 lbs.-To the Glory of God and in memory f Wiłliam Trichael Tufnell, died February 23rd. 1905. Warner et Filii me Fecerunt, A.D. NCMIXIII.

## EDINBURGH CATHEDRAL SOCIETY

Two quarter-neals of Grandsire Triples were attempted on Sundays, Sept. 7th and 14 th. by the St. Mary's Cathedral Societr. Edinburgh, in honour of the visit paid to the society by Miss Edith K. Parker, of Erlmonton. Unfortunately, both attempts came to grief. An attemnt for a peal was made on Saturday week. at St. Cuthbert's Parish Church, hut broke down after an hour and a half's very good ringing: W. R. Frfe 1, Miss E. K. Parker (conductor') 2, Miss M. F. Sampson 3, A. Collinson 4, J. Stamard 5, W. C. S. IIeathoote 6, W. B. Sampson 7, J. Whitson 8.

On the occasion of the Scottish Autumn IIoliday, the band risited Invernoss, but they found the bells in such a state of disrepair that it was impossible properly to ring the bells in rounds. The weather conditions were against outside recreation, but nevertheless an enjorable day was spent. The tedium of the long train journey between the capital of the Highlands and "Auld Reekie " was relieved with songs, recita-
tions, etc., the surprise of the evening being the unexpected rendering of "The Village Pump." Edinburgh was reached in the sma' hours. On the Wednesday, as a send-off to Miss Parker, 504 Grandsire Triples was rung on the Cathedral belle.

## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

ST. MARY'S, READING.
The annual outing of the St. Mary's Scciety, Reading, took the members on a very pleasant excursion to Blewbury and Hagbourne, which were reached, by conveyance, from Didcot, where the party were met by Mr. T. Napper, of Hagbourne fame. At Blewbury they were welcomed by Mr. W. G. Grace, who conducted them round the historical church, which contains an old chained Bible. The bells were afterwards set going to Double Norwich and Stedman, and later to Graudsire Triples, in which Miss Dora Hopgood, and Mir. Grace took part. At Hagbourne a splendid meat tea was awaiting the party, who found thernselves the guests of their president, Mr. W. Pole Routh. Afterwards the church was visited, and Grandsire, Stedman and Superlative were rung. Then a social hour was spent with the local ringers at Host Napper's. The president was in the chair, and songs and handbell ringing, in which Mr. Routh took part, passed the time very pleasantly. Reading was eventually reached just before 11 p.m., after one of the most enjoyable outings the society has ever had.

## S'T. MATTHEW'S, BRISTOL.

The second annual outing of St. Matthew's Guila, Kingsdown, took placa on Saturday week, when Plymouth was visited. Leaving BristoL at the carly hour of 4.15 a.m., the party, including the Curate (the Rev. H. Hill) and Mr. Fred G. May, reached Plymonth at 9.45. Journeying on to Devonport, a splendid breakfast was done full justice to at Miss Weston's Sailors' Home. A visit to the dockyard followed, and ploved very interesting. At noon the party was met by Mr. E. W. Marsh at the Dockyard Church, where a few touches of Grandsire were rung. After visiting Saltash by boat, the party returned to Plymouth for dinner before risiting Charles' Church, where the bells were set going to Grandsire Triples, several touches of which were brought round. Various places of interest were then visited, and the return journey made, all haring spent a most enjoyable day.-The Guild wish: to thank Mr. E. W. Marsh for so kindly acting as cicerone during the day.

## AN EXCURSION TO NORWICH.

The St. Edmund's, Northampton, ringers spent a rery enjoyable day at Norwich for their annual outing. Unfortunately the ringing done was of a meagre character, owing to unavoidable circumstances, for a letter which had been forwarded to Mr. C. E. Borrett, secretary of the Norwich Association, asking for ringing arrangements to be made, had not been opened, owing to the former gentleman being on holiday, and not returning until late the previous day. This was a little disappointing, but the party was able, through instructions from Mr. Borrett, to fix up for a pull in the evening, at the Church of St. Jolun-de-Sepulchre. Heye touches of Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples, and Dob Major were rung, Mr. Mayer, a local ringer, taking a rope in the Stedman. In the earlier part of the day, risits were made to the Castle, Cathedral, and St. Andrew's Hall, and St. Peter Mrancroft, all of which proved interesting and instructive. In the afternoon a few football enthusiasts of the party proceeded to the "Nest," where the"Cobblers" were engaging the "Canaries" in connection with the Southern League, and were rewarded by seeing a good game, with honours divided. The erening was spent in looking round the city, and Northampton was reached again about 2 a.m., after another good day's outing added to the now formidable list of the society. The company desire to express their thanks, through "The Ringing World," to Mr. Borrett, Mr. Pear and Mr. Mayer for their assistance, and also to the incumbent of the church, where the ringing was indulged in, for the use of the bells.

## SHIPLEY RINGERS AT WORTH

The Shipley (Sussex) band paid another very enjoyable risit to the quaint old parish of Worth, at the invitation of Mr. W. Denman, a member of the company, and a native of Worth. The party were joined by Mr. H. Tourle, of West Grinstead, and Mr. F. W. Rice, of Crawley, and visiting the church rang touches of Cambridge and London Surprise and Oxford Treble Bob Minor for morning service. After service, touches of Carlisle Surprise and Violet Treble Bob were rung. A substantial dinner at the home of the host was much enjoyed. and in the afternoon the bells were set going to Chester, Kent and Cambridge Minor. Round the tea table thanks were accorded the host and hostess, and the visitors then left for home. They desire to thank the Rector for the use of the bells, and Mr. Box (the steeple keeper') for having everything ready. The company included Messrs. W. Denman, W. Denman, junr., F. Denman, R. H. Bowell, J. F. Bowell, T. Adams, G. Lucas, H. Tourle, F. W. Rice, $O$. Sippetts and A. Cripps.

WITNEY (OXON.).-On July 21st, 672 Grandsire Triples: H. Long 1, H. Follis 2, T. Bull 3, J. Brooks 4, A. Brooks 5, E. Brown 6, J. Monk 7, G. Brooks 8.

## LEICESTERSHIRE'S NEW PEAL OF EIGHT. DEDICATION OF FOUR NEW BELLS AT MEASHAM.

Some time ago, the Vicar, churchwardens, and parishioners of Measham, near Ashby-de-la-Zouch, considered the possibility of increasing their ring of four bells to one of six, and a fund was started with that end in view. Contrary, however, to experience in many such cases, subscriptions and promises came in so well that it was soon found that four new bells could be provided for. This was made the easier by the generous offer of a treble by the Vicar, followed by another bell (the present 3 rd ), as the gift of Mr. W. W. Worthington, of Netherseale. It is worthy of note, too, that the public fund was very largely helped by Nonconformist residents.

The original four bells at Measham were all old, the treble, dated 1606, having an inscription declaring thạt it was made by Richard Newcombe, of Leicester. The second had an inscription:-
IHS NAZARENUS REX IUDEORUM, FILI DEI, MISERERE MEI, and is dated 1615. The third dates from 1714, and the tenor, undated, has the same inscription as the second. Its weight is about 12 cwt., and the note, F sharp. These four were retuned in 1912 by Messrs. Taylor, and the new four have just been cast by the same firm, and hung on steel girders, the old bells remaining in their wooden frame. The result is a very pretty peal of eight, well-balanced in tone, and going exceedingly well, which it is a pleasure to handle.

The dedication service was conducted by the Bishop of Derby, the Right Rev. C. T. Abraham, D.D., who was assisted by the Vicar, the Rer. Joseph Hewetson, M.A.. and several clergymen from the neighbourhood. The four old bells were rung for service by the Measham ringers, and in the course of the service, after an address by the Bishop, and the dedicatory prayers, a touch of 94 Stedman Triples was rung by: J. HI. Swinfield (Burton) 1, H. Wakley (Burton) 2, W. W. Worthington (Netherseale) 3, W. C. Wakley (Burton) 4, C. Sanders (Burton) 5, H. Hurdman (Newhall) 6, A. P. Wakley (Burton), conductor, 7, A P. G. Stone (Burton) 8. After the service was ended, the same band, with E. H. Stoneley (Stoke Golding) 5, rang 408 Stedman Triples, conducted by W. G. Wakley. Later, ringers from Ashby and Netherseale, with Mr. E. D. Taylor and Mr. R. Lane, of Loughborough, went up into the belfry, and touches were rung of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Superlative Major.

It is interesting to hear that the local band are to take up change ringing, to which, of course, they are at present entire strangers. They will be within easy reach both of Ashby and Netherseale, so that, with an instructor, they should be able to make good progress.

## LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

A meeting of the Liverpool Diocesan Guild was held at Woolton on Saturday week, and there was an excellent attendance of members from various parts of the diocese. Woolton Church seems to be placed on the highest. ground between Southport and the river Mersey, with an outlook as far as Widnes. It stands in a woody district, and glorious are the leafy giants flourishing in Woolton. The courteous Canon met his guests, and led them through the Rectory grounds. He discoursed about the Kuights of St. John, and showed a village cross soon to be restored. A visit was made to the magnificent and modern church, and there Canon Howson treated the ringers to a short, bright ser vice, and with an excellent address. It was just such an earnest, judicious exhortation as would give his auditors a high ideal for their ministrations with hand, head and heart, in their various churches After service an adjournment was made to the Schools, where Churchwarden A. G. Dent invited the guests to partake of a cold collation. The invitation was eagerly accepted, and a vote of thanks, carried with acclamation, expressed the gratitude of the ringers to Mrs. Dent and her assistants for their kind attentions.-At the business meeting new members were elected, Mr. Dent being acclaimed a life member-The nem S Bulpit) acclalling a life member-The Guild Master (the Rev. W. S. Bulpit), in calling unon the auchtor to
distribute the annual report, praised Crosby and Halsall for the increased number of peals, and asked for more attention to the higher mysteries of campanology. - The Rev. E. C. Collier, in a humorous speech, enforced the appeal, and the proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to Canon Howson

## BELLS RESTORED AT MELBOURN, CAMBS.

Sunday last will be remembered as a red-letter day by the inhabitants of the rillage of Melbourn, Cambs, for after being practically silent for upwards of 30 years, the bells of the Parish Church once more sent forth their music. The bells have recently been rehung, and a new treble added to complete the ring of six, the work having been carried out by Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich. The tone of the new treble, and the "go" of the bells is in every way satisfactory. In the evening the Bishop of Ely performed the dedication, and preached to a crowded congregation, taking as his text, "Know ye not that I must be in My Father's house." He remarked that it was about two years ago he wisited the church for the purpose of inducting their Vicar, and since that time new organ had been placed in the church, the tower restored, and the bells rehung

The Royston Ringers' Society, who are members of the Ely Asscciation, were chosen to ring the opening touch, a well-struck course of Bob Minor being rung by: A. Gilbert. T. Bonnett, A. Wilkerson, R Wilkerson, S. Roberts and R. King. A large company of ringers at-
tended at the conclusion of the scrvice from Cambridge, Royston, Stapleford, Barley, etc., and a number of young men who hope to become ringers in their native village. The touches included Cambridge Surprise Minor, Kent Minor, and some Doubles. The bells are a fine ring, with the tenor weighing 15 cot .

## DERITEND BELLS.

## RESTORATION OF AN ANCIENT PEAL

On Sunday, the bells of St. John's Church, Deritend, Birmingham, were to have been re-opened, after having been restored and rehung by Messrs. Barwell, of Birmingham. Very serious illness near the church, however, prevented the ringing of the bells, but the Viear (the Rev. Canon Gonner) preached a special sermon at the morning service from the text, "I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord." Touching upon the history and inscriptions of the bells, he said that it was very striking, but thoroughly typical of the time when the bells were made (1777), that there was no word to the Glory of God or Fis church on them. He pointed out that they recalled the turbulent reign of George III, and the struggle for independence in America. The inscriptions are as follow:-
Treble.-We are placed here in the year 1777. Thos. Cox, Minister
2nd.-"Health and Happiness to all our subscribers." R. Wells, Fecit 1777
3rd.-R. Wells, Aldbourne, Fecit.
4th.-May the town of Birmingham be ever held in esteem for its Manufact: R. Wells, Fecit.
5th.-K. Wells, Allbourne, Fecit 1777.
6th.-"Wisdom to the Council of the State. Success to the British Fleet." R. Wells, Fecit 1777.
7th.-" May Great Brittain ever stond unrivalled in her commerce." Wells, Fecit 1777.
Tenor.-R. Wells, of Aldbourne, Fecit.
The tenor is 11 cwt. 2 qrs. 14 lbs., and it is noteworthy that the 3rd and 4th are lighter than the 2nd.

## HARVEST FESTIVAL RINGING.

The following quarter-peals, etc., have been rung for harvest festival services:-
SOUTHSTOKE, OXON.-On Sept. 21st, after evening service, 1720 Grandsire Doubles, in 25 mins. : S. Kow 1, A. Mobey 2, Miss E. O. Nind 3, W. Geall 4, J. Smith (conductor) 5.

WHITCHURCH, OXON.-Recently, at the Parish Chureh, by kind permission of Canon Trotter, touches of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and a 720 of Plain Bob: J. Nicholls (Pangbourne) 1, W. Lawrence (West Ealing) 2, Miss Mary Chillingworth (Bradfield) 3, J. Bower (Goring) 4, . Abery (Theale), conductor, 5, G. Abery (Theale) 6.
ROYSTON, HERTS. - On Sept. 25th, 720 Cambridge Surprise: A. Wilkerson 1, H. Tysoe 2, R. Wilkerson 3, R. G. King 4, S. E. Roberts 5, A. Bowell (first 720 Cambridge), conductor, 6.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES.-On Sunday evening, Sept. 21st, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: G. Richardson 1, E. J. Pannett 2, F. S. Sturt 3, W. Pelling 4, G. H. Sturt 5, J. T. Rickman 6, A. J Turner (conductor) 7 , W. Moore 8
WOLVERFAMPTON. - On Sept. 27th, for Matine, 168 Stedman Triples, 243 Stedman Caters, and a course of Stedman Cinques. For evensong, 255 and a short course of Stedman Cinques. After service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1251 changes): H. Hawkswood 1, H. Jones 2, H. Farlow 3, F. Darrall 4, W. G. Hall (composer) 5, A. Little 6, W. H. Lawley 7, B. Clark 8, H. Knight (conductor) 9, T. Smith 10. First quarter-peal of Stedman Caters by the ringers of 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8 and 10. The others taking part in the day's ringing were: J. E. Groves, J. Purser, E. Mitchell, and H. Mitchell. J. E. Groves hails from Birmingham, the rest are members of the local band.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A very successful meeting of the Luton district was held at Aspley Guise on Saturday, members being present from Woburn, Husborne Crawley, Laton, and the local tower. The bells are a handy peal of six (tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt.), and go well. The following methods were rung during the afternoon ind evening: Stedman Doubles, Bob Minor, Doublo Court, Double Oxford, Kent, Oxford and Woodbine Treble Bob.

Tea was partaken of at the "Totel de Steamer," and served in first class style by Hostess Lane.-A short business meeting followed, the Rev. A. Rust being in the chair, supported by Mrs. Rust, who is an ardent eampanologist. - It was proposed to hold the next meeting at Flitton.-A vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector (the Rev. J. C. Maltby) for the use of he bells, and the Rev. A. Rust for presiding.

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MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.-Commencing October, meetings for practice of Caters and Royal will be held monthly at Hillingdon East on the first Tuesday at 7 p.m., and for Stedman and Major at St. Andrew's, Hillingdon West, on the third Monday at $7 \cdot 30 \mathrm{p}$.m.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. - The next meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday, October 4th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. All ringing friends will be welcomed. Members are reminded that all outstanding subscriptions should now be paid.-H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS.-The annual meeting will be held at Liverpool -on Saturday, October 4 th. Service at St. Nicholas Church at 4 p.m. Preacher : the Lord Bishop of Liver-pool.-W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Honorary Secretaries.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District.-Quarterly meeting at Bramley, Saturday, Oct. $4^{\text {th. Bells (6) from } 4 \text { o'clock. Service 5.30. Tea and }}$ meeting 6.-Francis G. Hume, Oakley, Basingstoke.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Shipley on Saturday, October 4th. Tower open from 4 p.m. Tea at the Parish Room 5.30. Business to follow.-H. Evans, Divisional Secretary, Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. - The next monthly meeting of this society will be held on Oct. 4th at Doncaster, instead of Eckington, as the bells of the latter place are not yet ready. Church of St. George, 8 bells, tenor 30 cwt., available 4 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.-J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, 38, Rutland Park, Sheffield.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ). -Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral, on October 7th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 9th and 23 rd; St. John's, Hackney, on the 7 th and 2 Ist ; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 14th ; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 28 th; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays; St. Magnus 7.30; the others at 8 p.m. - William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824).-The eleventh annual grand Bohemian concert of the Association will be held on Saturday, October inth, igi3, at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, City. Doors open 7.15 p.m., commence 7.45 p.m. Admission by programme, price sixpence, which may be obtained from all officers of the Association and others. Ladies specially invited.-F. J. Hardy, Hon. General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, :S.W.

KENT ASSOCIATION. - Maidstone District.-The half-yearly meeting of the Maidstone district of the Kent County Association will take place at Lenham on Saturday, October IIth. The belfry will be open at 2.30 , and the Association service will be held in the church at 5 p.m. -Kenneth W. Mumford, Honorary Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.The next meeting of the Castle Cary Deanery Branch will be held at Castle Cary on Saturday, October inth, igi3. Service in the church 4.15 p.m. Tea in the schoolroom $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting to follow. Bells available from 2.30 to 9 p.m. All ringers and friends cordially invited.T. G. Vincent, Wraxall, Shepton Mallet.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Powick on Saturday, October inth, 1913. Service at 4 p.m. prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. Tea provided only for those sending their names to me by the Wednesday previous.-R. G. Knowles, Madresfield, Malvern, Honorary Secretary.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Sudbury Branch. -A meeting of this branch will be held at Monk's Eleigh (four miles from Lavenham) on Saturday, October irth. Tea will be provided at the Bull Inn at 4 p.m. Those requiring tea are asked to give notice to the secretary on or before Monday, October 6th, so that arrangements may be made.-R. L. Gardner, Lavenham, Suffolk.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Everton on Saturday, October irth. Tea at 5.I5 p.m., free to members, by the kind invitation of the Rev. A. Rose, Vicar, who advise G. W. Stevenson, Field House, Everton Bawtry, not later than October 7 th. Shall be glad to receive all unpaid subscriptions for I913 at this meeting. - H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary, io3, Gateford Road, Worksop.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Brąnch.The next meeting will be held at Leigh on Saturday, October IIth. Bells available from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A district meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry will be held at Melbourn on Saturday, October IIth. Short service at 5 o'clock. Tea in the schoolroom at $5 \cdot 30$.-P. Webb, District Secretary, Ickleton, Saffron Walden.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).-The quarterly meeting of this society will take place on Monday, October i3th, at the Church of St. Mary, Holloway, N. Tower open from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Business meeting to follow.-F. J. Hardy, Honorary General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be held at Ipswich on Wednesday, October $I_{5}$ th. All the towers in the town available for ringing throughout the day. Divine service at St. Mary-le-Tower at 12.45 p.m. Dinner in St. Lawrence Parish Hall at I .30 p.m. Notice of intention to be present at dinner must be sent to me not later than October ${ }^{1} 3^{\text {th }}$. For full particulars see circular sent to all companies.C. E. Borrett, Secretary, 12, Grove Avenue, Norwich.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Blackburn Branch.-The next branch meeting will be held at Accrington on Saturday, October 18th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock, meeting 7 p.m. - John Watson, Branch Secretary.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Elloe Deaneries Branch.-The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Dorrington on Saturday, October 18th, 1913. Dinner at the Peacock Inn at one o'clock. Tickets 2 s . 3d. each. Service in church at 3.30 p.m. - G. Ladd, Honorary Secretary, Pinchbeck, Spalding.
halifax and district association. - The next quarterly meeting and six-bell contest will be held at Batley on Saturday, October 18th, 1913. Tenor if cwts. Draw for order of ringing at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea will be provided at 6 d . each for all those who order from me by October ${ }^{1} 3^{\text {th. }}$-F. Salmons, 8 , Salisbury Place, Halifax.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury District.-The next meeting will be held at Chilham on Saturday, October 18th. The tower will be opened at 3 p.m. Divine service at 5.15 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. in the Woolpack Inn, followed by short business meeting. The usual travelling allowances will be paid at this meeting. Will all those who intend being present kindly let me know by Tuesday, October 14 th? - E. Trendell, Hon. District Secretary, Boughton, Faversham.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (fate the St. James' Society, Established 1824). - Southern Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Oct. 18 th, at St. Mary's, Putney. Tower open from 4 p.m. to $7.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers and friends invited.-F. A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.
LINCOLN LIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Stamford, on Saturday, October 18 th. The bells of All Saints' (6), St. Martin's (6), St. Michael's (6), available afternoon and evening. Tea will be provided at the Crown Hotel at 5 p.m.; business meeting to follow. All ringers and friends cordially invited.-S. Proctor, Secretary, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

WILliam VERRY COMMEMORATION DINNER will be held at the Queen's Head Hotel, Soho Road, Handsworth, on Saturday, November ist. Further details later.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). - The 276th anniversary dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on November 8th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets, 4s. each, may be obtained of Messrs. J. Akehurst, J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies, T. Faulkner, G. R. Fardon, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, E. Horrex, A. Hughes, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, E. P. O'Meara, A. B. Peck, G. N. Price, W. Prime, G. W. Wild, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, or W. T. Cockerill, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. Towers open for ringing: Southwark Cathedral 4 to 5, and St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, 4 to 6 p.m.

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## MISC\&LLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

FINEDON, NORTIIANTS.-On July 27th, for service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Tompkins 1, T. Abbott 2, F. Beasley 3, C. Faulkner 4, P. Manning 5, G. Bassford 6, A. Smeathers (oonductor) 7, F. Warren 8. Also for evening service, 672 Bob Major: J. Main 1, D. Meadows 2, C. Faulkner 3, F. Beasley 4, P Manning 5, G. Bissford 6, T. Abbott 7, A. Smeathers (conductor) 8. These touches were arranged for Messrs. Faulkner and Beasley, of Towcester.
PORTSEA. - At the Parish Clurch, on Sunday, July 13th, for morning sorvice, 504 Stedman Triples: J. Harris 1, A. S. Beer 2, C. Groves 3, J. Wheeler 4, J. Symonds 5, C. Creasy 6, E. J. Harding (conductor) 7, J. Smith 8.-For evening service, at which the Lord Bishop of St. Albans preached, 1260 Stedman Triples, in 47 mins.: A. Collins 1, J. Symonds 2, C. Groves 3, J. Wheeler 4, J. Marris 5, C. Creasy 6, B. J. Marding (conductor) 7, R. Stone 8. First quarter-penl for 4, 6, 8, and first as conductor.
EATON, LEICESTERSHIRE.-At St. Denys Church, on July 16th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Droubles, in 39 mins.: H. Singleton 1, E. Nidd (Grantham) 2, G. Singleton 3, W. Waltham (conductor) 4, T. E. Pearson 5.

STANSTED, ESSEX.-On July 15th, at the Parish Church, 576 Bristol Surprise: J. Luckey 1, G. Jordan 2, T. Jordan 3, F. M. Butler 4, W. Prior 5, T. J. Watts 6, W. T. Prior 7, W. Watts (conductor) 8.On July 27th, for morning service, 576 Bristol Surprise, standing as: before, and for evening service, 408 Stedman Triples: G. Gray 1, F. M. Butler 2, J. Luckey 3, T. Jordan 4, T. J. Watts 5, A. Jordan 6, W. Watts (conductor) ${ }^{7}$, F. Potter 8

FENTON.-On July 8th, at Christ Church, in 45 mins.: a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples: H. Barker 1, T'. Salt 2, S. Bourne 3, A. Jackson 4, E. A. Sherratt 5, A. L. Smith 6, A. F. Coles, Bridgwater (conductor) 7, FI. Tufnell 8.
BIGGLFSWFADE, BEDS.-At the Parish Church, on July 18th, $720^{\circ}$ Bob Minor: E. Hussey (first 720) 1, W. J. Mayes 2, J. Hare 3, G. W. Newton 4, F. Blood (conductor) 5, C. A. Pratt 6, J. Elkins 8. First 720 on the bells Rung after meeting short for a peal attempt.

HENFIELD.-At the Parish Church, on July 20th, for evening serFice, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 46 mins.: W. Markwell 1, W. Lish 2, S. Burt 3, E. Lish 4, G. Payne 5, A. Baigent 6, L. Payne (conductor) 7, C. Tyler 8.

BODENHAM, HEREFORDSHIRE-At St. Nichael's Church, on July 15th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 47 mins . (as a farewell to E. Richards): J. E. Lewis (conductor) 1, E. Downes 2, E. Richards (first quarter-peal) 3, A. Downes 4, J. K. Armstrong 5, H. Barber 6.

HAMMERSMTTH.-St. Paul's Guild.-On July 20th, 1913, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 43 mins.: W. Stevens 1, H. Barrett 2, R. Mackrill 3, H. Cook 4, H. Stevens 5, C. Hunt 6, F. Skevington (oonductor) 7, W. Brooks 8.

FARNINGILAM, KENT.-On July 20th, for evening service, 702 Grandsire Doubles, in 20 mins.: W. Wingato 1, S. Mason 2, F. Mason 3, A. Bates (conductor) 4, J. Couchman 5, W. Couchman (first 720) 6. ISLWWORTII-On July 20th, for evening scrvice, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: F. Webb 1, F. G. Goddard 2, G. Miles 3, C. Dell 4, H. Lidbetter 5, W. New 6, G. Spencer (conductor) 7, A. Beckensale 8. BRADFIELD.-On July 20th, for evening service, 720 Plain Bob Minor: T. Hillier (first 720) 1, S. Chapman 2, M. E. Chillingworth 3, C. Hunt 4, J. Abery 5, G. Abery (conductor) 6.-On July 23rd, for practice, 720 Plain Bob: T. Tillier 1, J. Abery 2, M. E. Chillingworth: 3, S. Chapman 4, G. Parsons (conductor) 5, G. Abery 6.

HERTFORD.-At St. Andrew's Church, on June 15th, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: H. F. Akers 1, W. Irons 2, R Dore 3, H. J. Gray 4, V. Neale (conductor) 5, A. E. Oreasey 6, G. Gray 7, A. H. Akers 8 . Rung with the bells fully muffled to the memory of the late Rector (the Rev. E. Killin Roberts), who was presiclent of the St. Andrew's company, and a pation of the County Association. All the aringers are members of the St. Andrew's band, and it was $I$. Dore's first quarter-peal with a bob bell.

NANTWICH.-On June 17th, to celebrate the wedding of Miss G. Stonchewer, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles: W. Suiton (conductor) 1, Albert Stubbs 2, W. Cookson 3, J. Wood 4, Arihur Stubbs 5, H. Stubbe 6. First attempt by the local band.

SJOKE EDITH.-On June 15th, for evening service, 960 St. Dunstan's Doubles: R. Griffiths 1, A. Vernall 2, R. Longville 3, S. Bowen 4, I. Edwards (conductor) 5, J. Griffiths 6.

LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS.-On June 28th, 720 Woodbine: S. Game 1, F. Williams 2, A. Carter 3, A. Phillips 4, A. Woolston 5, W. H. Lawrence (conductor) 6.-On July 6th, 720 Plain Bob: H. Carter 1, F. Williams 2, S. Game 3, A. Phillips 4, A. Cartor 5, A. Lawrence (conductor) 6. Alsa 720 Oxford Delight: H. Carter 1, F. Williams 2, A. Carter 3, A. Lawrence 4, A. Woolsten 5, W. H. Lawrence (conductor) 6.-On July 13th, 720 Kent: W. H. Lawrence 1, N. Patmore 2, B. Patmore 3, G. II. Markar 4, H. Wallace 5, A. Lawrence (conductor) 6.
MILTON-NEX'TGRAVESEND.-On June 24th, 720 Kent Treble Bob: J. Avis 1, I.. Holden 2, G. Ambrose 3, V. A. Jarrett, R.E., 4, F. Hayes 5, Corpl. J. Bennett, R.M.L.I. (first as conductor) 6.-On July 12th, an atiempt for a pal in seven methods came to grief after $1 \frac{3}{4}$ hours, during which 720 each of Woodbine and Oxford Treble Bob and Canterbury Pleasure were rung: J. Avis 1, F. Hayes 2, G. Ambrose 3, V. jarrett, R.E., 4. J. Benneit, R.M.L.I., 5, F. Mitchell (conductor) 6. V. Jarrett ring his first 720 Woodbine, and J. Bennett his first of Canterbury Pleasure-On Sunday, July 20th, Mr. G. Playle and his daughter, Miss G. Playle, of Dagenham, Essex, risited the tower, and an attempt for a 720 Cambridge Surprise finished abruptly in the third part. This was Miss Playle's first attempt for a 720 Surprise or Treble Bob. Touches of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles wers rung.
WISBECTI.-On June 24th, on handbells, 720 Bob Minor: S. E. Andrews 1-2, T. Haines 3-4, $\mathcal{R}$. Narborough (conductor) 5-6.-On June 26th, 720: T. Banham 1, A. W. Wenlock 2, S. Andrews 3-4, T. ILaines (cond.) 5-6. Witnosses, F. Piggins and G. Yate.On July 1st wo 720's of Bob Minor: S. Collison 1, 心. Andrews 2, T. Haines 3-4, R. Varborough 5-6 (conductor); and S. Andrews 1-2, T. Haines 3-4, S. Collison 5, R. Narborough (conductor) 6.-On Monday, 7th July, two $720^{\prime}$ 's Minor: S. Collison 1, A. W. Wenlock 2, S. Andrews 3-4, R. Narborough (conductor) 5-6,-On July 10.h, 720 Bob Minor: S. Andrews 1-2, G. Piggins 3, A. Wenlock 4, R. Narborough (conductor) 5-6, and $\therefore$ Collison 1, S. Andrews (conductor) 2, A. Wenlock 3, G. Piggins 4, Ralph Narborough 5-6. This was R. Narborough's 50 th 720 of Minor. WRFNTHAM, SUFFOLK.-On July 3rd, an attempt for a peal of Minor was unfortunately lost, after 2 hrs. 32 mins., only 400 changes from the end, owing to a rope breaking: G. Bertram 1, A. J. Naunton 2. W. H. P. Mellin 3, A. J. L. Naunton 4, J. Spencer 5, F. W. Naunton conductor) E .
GREAT TOTHAN, ESSEX.-On July 5th, a quarter-peal of Kent, Oxford and Plain Bob Minor: S. Rushen 1, H. Seager 2, H. Lewis 3, J. Puckingham 4, J. Seager 5, P. Sayer (conductor) 6.-On July 6th, 360 Plain Bob, and for evening service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: S. Rushen 1. H. Seager 2, II. Brown 3, W. Hunwick 4, J. Seager 5, P. Sayer (conductor) 6 . These touches were rung with the bells muffled, as a mark of respect to the late Mrs. Packe, of Great Totham, and ridow of the late Vicar of Feering.
RECKENHAM, KENT. - On Sunday, July 6th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: E. Tigwell 1. J. Town 2, G. Clarke 3, F. King 4, F. Terry 5. J. Lorcll 6, W. Smith (conductor) 7, W. Meek 8. First quarterpeal by the local band.

CIILDSWWCKHAM, GLOSTER.-On July 20th, for evening serrice, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 46 mins.: G. Ellis 1, H. (ottcn1 2, W. Jones 3, J. D. Johnson (longest lengih on tower bells) 4 , F, Johnson (conductor) 5, A. Colby 6.

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## MODERN WORK.

## THE LADIES' PEAL TABLET.

The unveiling at Cubitt Town on Saturday of the handsome tablet, recording the first peal rung by a band of ladies, marks in a tangible manner an epoch in the history of ringing. The circumstances of the peal are, of course, well known, but the event of last Saturday is worthy of comment. When the eight members of the fair sex succeeded in scoring the peal-a performance which the Exercise at large recognised as an admirable one-it was very generally felt that the record of the achievement should be handed down to future generations of ringers by a means worthy of the feat which the ladies had accomplished. The suggestion, made through " The Ringing World " by Mr. H. O. White, of Rugby, that the commemorative tablet should be provided by the ringers of the country met with a hearty and ready response, and although in a general way the amount sought from each contributor was only a penny, a good sum was subscribed as the result of the appeal. This amount, however, would not have provided anything so handsome as the tablet which now adorns the belfry walls of Christ Church, Cubitt Town, had it not been for the generous offer of Messrs. Caspar and Co., whose celebrated marblette peal tablets are known throughout the country. This firm very kindly offered to provide half the cost, but when the design was got out it was found that even double the amount publicly subscribed would not be sufficient to meet the outlay on a tablet of such artistic form and large proportions, and Messrs. Caspar and Co., rather than see any curtailment take place, with extreme generosity, undertook to make up the whole of the deficiency.

The tablet stands now, a permanent memorial to a performance which will always redound to the credit of those who took part, as an expression of skill, perseverance, and endurance. That it should be unveiled by a Canon of St. Paul's is another sign of the moving times, for it sets, as it were, the seal of recognition by the Church upon the presence of ladies in the belfry. They are now welcome visitors to any tower, and it is little short of astonishing to see the rapidly increasing number of ladies who are becoming devotees of our Art. They have proved their ability to share with men the duties which appertain to the service of a ringer, and as the days go by we may look to see them taking their part in an ever growing number of towers. Incidentally it seems worthy of comment that while ladies are quickly coming into the ranks of the church bell ringers, they are rapidly disappearing from the ranks of the choristers in our churches.

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THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, September 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventecn Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;
Tenor 304 cwt.


## LONDON

THE ALL SAINTS' FULHAM SOCIETY.
On Saturday, October 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes
At the Church of All Saints, Fulham.
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5038 CHANGES;
Tenor 20 cwt .
Ernest A. Arthorton ...Treble |*William J. S. Knights... 6
†Sedley J. Collins... ... 2 †William J. Froughton... William H. Worsley ... 3 Edward H. Adams .. ... 8 tAlfred W. Darlington Arthor Cutmore ... ... 5 William H. Hollier ... James W. Driver ... ...T Tem Composed by the late Henry Hubbard, and Conducted by James W. Driver.
*First peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Grandsire Caters. $\ddagger$ First peal on te. bells. Rung on the 5 th anniversary of the rededication of the bells and on Mrs. Hollier's birthday. Mr. E. H. Adams hails fro: Warwick.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Satwrday, October 4, 1913, in Three Honrs and Fifteer Minntes,
At the Chorch of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATER8, 5041 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt .
James Jones... ... ... -...Treble | Morris J. Morris ... ... 6 W. Rock Small... ... ... 2 Thomas Hughes Thomas J. Bratton ... ... 3 Horace Belcher John Carter ... Percy $\quad$... 4 Samobl Grove... ... ... 9 Percy O. Laflin ....... 5 William Davis ... ...Teno

Composed and Conducted by John Carter.
This peal is No. 25 on the Broadsheet. The ringers wish to than: the Rev. L. A. Pritchard for his kindness in granting the use of the bells, and the tower-keeper for meeting the band and having everything in first rate order. The peal was rung as a birthday compliment io Mr. W. H. Godden.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Saturday, October 4, 1913, in Three Hours ard Nine Minktes,
At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAL DF CRANBSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANQES ; Tenor 22 cw .

Alfred Davies ... ... ...Tyeble John Goodman, Junr. ... 6 Gilbert Guest ... ... ... 2 John Goodman, Sent. ... 7 William Miris ... ... ... 3 John A. Brown ... ... | Samdel Spittle... | .. | ... | 4 | Benjamin Gough | ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Willitam Goodman | ... | .. | 5 | Harry Faulks ... | ... | ...$T e$ | Composed by William Micklewright, and ${ }^{5}$ Conducted by J. Goodman, Senr.

Rung on the 2Ist anniversary of the Vicar's Induction, and on the occasion of the Harvest Festival.

THE ADDRESS<br>of the<br>"RINGING WORLD"<br>\section*{is now}<br>9, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

## BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. On Saturdoy, October 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes, At the Church of St. Stephen the Martyr,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

CHORLEY, LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Preston Branch.)
On Saturday, September 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary (R.C.),
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor $18 \frac{1}{c} \mathrm{cwt}$
$\dagger$ Harry Jones ... ... ...Treble †John Garside ... ... ... 5
Thomas Beaver ... ... 2 Arnold A. Blackwell ... 6
-William Lancaster … 3 Reginald L. Ince ... ... 7
Hermon Lancaster ... 4 Edward Gent ... ... ...Tenor Composed by B. Annable, and Conducted by Edward Gent.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal in the method. This is also the first neal on the bells, which have been in the tower since 1894 , the "go" of them being now anything but good.


## STAVELEY, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Tuestary, September 30, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Mirates,
At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor ig cwt.
raborge W. Bemrose ...Tveble William J. Thyng... ... 5 tev, A. T. Beeston... ... 2 Samuel Wesley ... ... 6 Cornelios Charge ..... .3 flared C. Wright ... $\ldots .{ }^{4}$ John Flint .... ... ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by Arthur Knights.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, September 30, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, At the Chorch of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES: Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lbs., in D.
George Gunner ... ...Tyeble |*Clarence H. Dobbie
Wilitam Smith $\ldots . . . . . . \quad 2$ Ben Chorley ... ... Charles Wiflshire ... 3 Charles Hazerden Septimus Radford ..... .9 4 4 Alfred H. Polling ...Tenor

Composed by Gabribl Lindoff, and
Conducted by Alfred H. Poling.
First peal of Surprise on an inside bell. † First peal of Major on tower bells. This peal was rung to test the "go" of the bells, Messrs: Taylor \& Co.. of Loughborough, baving just completed the rehanging in a new frame.

## UFFORD, SUFFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, October 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANQES;

## Tenor 14 cwt.

| Edward Jenkins | ...Treble | David Leggett |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ieorge R. Finch | 2 | Alfred E. Acfield |  |
| Robert H. Hayward | ... 3 | William B. Reeve... |  |
| Robert G. Miles | ... 4 | Charles E. Fisher | ...Tenor |

Composed by H. Dains, and
Conducted by Charles E. Fisher.

SMETHWICK, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Wednesday, October 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Old Church,
A PEAL OF deUblé norwicg court bob major, 5024 Changes ;
*J. Herbert Benfield ...Treble ${ }^{*}$ Morace Howell ... ... 5

 Composed and Conducted by Joseph Pigotr.

- First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. G. F. Swann's rooth peal.


## HEENE, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, October 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Botolph,

- PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES ; Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr . H . Evans, who is 7 I years of age and still always ready for a peal. Mr. B. Bassett intended to stand in this peal to celebrate his thirty years connection with the Heene band, but was unavoidably absent.


## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, October 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At Christ Chorch, Blackfriars,

## A PEAL OF STED風AN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGEE;

Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor i8 cwt.

| *Edward E. Grimes... | ...Tyeble | Richard N. Renham | ... | 5 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frank Bennett | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$. | 2 | Maurice Hibbert | ... | ... |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Edwin F. Pike........... | 3 | Alfred W. Grimes | $\ldots$ | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Fredericy W. Richardson | 4 | James E. Davis | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$...tenor |

Conducted by Frank Bennett.

* First peal of Stedman.


## FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, October 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

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\text { Tenor } 16 \text { cwt. } 2 \text { qr. } 4 \mathrm{lbs} .
$$

William Ostler ... ...Tveble †Edward Jenkins

| Robert | H. Hayward | ... | 2 | George E. Symonds | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 5 |  |  |  |  |
| Hobart E. Smith | ... | ... | 3 | Alfred Watson | ... |
| .. | 7 |  |  |  |  |

*W. Stanley Clark..... .3 Composed by Tom Lockwood, and Conducted by George E. Symonds.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal in the method. The composition is No. 13 C.C. Collection.


## BRIGHTON.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, October 2, 1913, in Theee Howrs and Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE 8URPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
John T. Rickman ... ...Treble
Arthor H. White $\ldots . . . . .2^{2}$ John Capp... ... ... ... 5
Arthor W. Gravett … 3 Alfred W. Groves … 6
Oliver Sippetts ... ... 4 Keith Hart ... ... ...Tenor
Composed by C. Middleton, and
Conducted by Keith Hart.

## HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurslay, October 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Remigius,

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A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor io cwt. o qr. I6 lbs.
William Stele .... ...Treble Alemet G. Warnes A....
*Edward P. Duffield ... 3 Ernest F. Poppy ... ... 7
Frederick J. Howchin ... 4 4 Frederick R. Borrett...Tenor
    Composed by J. Carter, and
                            Conducted by Wm. Steele.
* First peal in the method.
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TREVETHIN, PONTYPOOL, MONMOUTHSHIRE THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Cadoc,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;



## HADLEIGH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH. On Saturday, October 4. 1913, in Three Hours and Elevan Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
William P. Garrett ...Treble William Motts ... ... ... 2 Edgar Pemberton ... .... 3 Robert H. Broxdle ... 4 Thomas Reed ... .... ....Tenor Conducted by James Motrs
First peal of Stedman Triples upon the bells. Thomas Reed's first at the tenor. He was elected a member of the Association and the St. Mary-le-Tower Society previous to starting for the peal, which was arranged and rung to celebrate the wedding, at the church of SS. Peter and Paul, Lavenham, of Miss Ellen E. Poulson and Mr. Stedman Symonds, son of Mr. Arthur Symonds, a well-known ringer of Lavenham.

## LEWISHAM

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 4, 1913, in Tivo Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## a peal of double oxford bob major, 5024 ghanges;

 Tenor 23 cwt .Edwin Barnett, Sent. ...Treble ${ }^{\mid}$Frank Bennett

- Reginald Brovgh ... .. $\begin{array}{cc}\cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & 3 \\ \cdots & \end{array}$ Harby Wanet -Grorar H DT Reginald Brodgh ... ... 2 Harry Warnett ... ... 6 Isaac Emery...$\quad$... ... 3 *George H. Daynes ... 7 - Fredk. W. Richardson.... 4 *William J. Jeffries .... Tenor Composed by Edwin Barnett, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.
* First peal in the method and on the bells. Rung on the eve of the Harvest Festival. W. J. Jeffries' 150 th peal.


## WOOLWICH

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, October 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF STEDBAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part. Alfred G. Bennington ...Treble Ernest B. Crowder $\ldots .$. Thomas G. Deal ... ... 3 Walter Rowe ... ... ... 4

## Tenor 13 cwt .

Walter Smith... ... ... 5 Thos. Groombridge, Junt. 6 Thos. Groombridge, Sent. 7 *Thomas A. Easterby ... Tenor Groombridge, Senr.

STOURBRIDGE, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, October 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor ig cwt.

| William Shilvock ... ...Treble | John Bass ... ... |
| :---: | :---: |
| Victor White ... ... ... 2 | William Short |
| Thomas J. Salter ... ... 3 | Jose |



Composed by H. W. Wilde, and Conducted by R. Matthews.
Rung on the eve of the Dedication Festival. First peal of Surprisc on the bells.

LUTTERWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, October 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Joseph H. W. White ...Treble ${ }^{\text {Willam H. Bronsdon... }} 5$ Frank E. Pervin ... ... 2 William T. Cox ... ... 6 Harry O. White ... ... 3 Charles Freeman ... ... 7 Alfred J. Hessian ... ... 4 Adolphus Roberts ... ...Tene:

Composed by J. S. Wilde, and Conducted by A. Roberts.
Rung on the eve of the Harvest Festival.-

## HODDESDON, HERTS.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
AND THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturdny, October 4, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Paul,
A peal of kent. treble bob major, 5152 Changes;
Tenor 12 cwt . I qr. I6 lbs.
Henry G. Rowe ... ...Tveble Walter Hobbs..
Jesse Puplett ... ... ... 2 George Radley Charles T. Coles ..... .3 *William Saban
Bertram Prewett...
Composed by Arthur Knights, and
Conducted by Bertram Prewett.

* First peal in the method.


## ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Ninetecn Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Denis,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor $24 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

Oliver Sippetts... ... ... 3 Albert D. Stone
Albert Harman... ... ... 4 Keith Hart ...
Composed by C. H. Hattersley, and
Conducted by Keith Hart.
TWYFORD, HAMPSHIRE
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## a PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 Changes;

## Thurstans' Four-Part

William G. Edwards ...Treble
Lionel H. Page
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Lionel H. Page } & \cdots & \cdots & 2 \\ \text { Frederick Oxenbory } & \cdots & 3\end{array}$
*Leonard S. Lampard ...

Tenor fol cwt . William T. Tucker William H. Grorge George Williams ... Owen H. Giles $\quad . .$. Conducted by George Williams.

* First peal of Stedman.


## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, [October 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At The Church of St. Giles-in-the-Fields,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

 George H. Cross ... ... 4 James George ... ... ...Tenor Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by William Pye.
G. H. Cross hails from Norwich.

OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(East Berks and South Bucks Branch.)
On Saturday, October 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
-Thomas S. Smith ... ...Treble $\dagger$ William A. Garraway ... 2 William H. Fussell ... 3 George Martin ... ... 7 Joseph J. Parker ... .... ${ }^{4}$ W William Welling ... ...Tenor Composed by J. W. Washbrook, and Conducted by G. Martin.

* First attempt at a peal of Major. † First peal in the method. Rung on the eve of the Harvest Festival. The Rev. T. E. Harwood, a former Vicar of the parish, met the band at the church, and preached on the following day. SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Sheffield District Society.) On Saturday, October 4, 1913, in Three Hours and One Mimute, at the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Ranmoor,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5 a CHANGES;

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\text { Tenor } 15 \mathrm{cwt} \text {. }
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Sam Thomas ...Tveble Francis Ward Joseph Atkins
L. Charlesworth

Richard W. Collier ...
William Biggin ...
… William S. Plant...
Charles Haynes ... ...Tenor
H. Hattersley, and

Composed by Charles H. Hattersl
Conducted by Sam Thomas.
Rung as a welcome to the Rev. J. R. Lee Nicholls, who was formerly instituted into the living on Tuesday, September 3oth, by the Lord Archbishop of York.

OLDHAM.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Oldham Society.)
On Sunday, October 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
At the Church of St. Thomas, Moorside,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE bOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANEES; Tenor 18 cwt .


Composed by ${ }^{4}$. H. Hattersley, and Conducted by Frank Chapman.
First peal. Rung for evening Harvest Festival service.
SOUTHGATE, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
a Monaday, October 6, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Twenty-three Minutes, At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANAES; Tenor 25 cwt., in D.

| Alfred R. Glasscock | ...Tveble | William D. Jame |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frederick G. Tegg ... | ... | John E. Miller |
| Norman A. Tomlinson | ... 3 | John Armstrong |

©Camares T. Coims John Armstrong Alfred W. Grimes ....Tenor Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by John Armstrong.
Rung on the occasion of the Harvest Festival, this being the nearest date possible.

## SIX $\mathcal{O}^{\circ}$ FIVE BELL PEALS. <br> ELSTOW, BEDS. <br> THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Septsmber 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Church of SS, Helen and Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES:
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford and Double Court.

Vernon Cooprr ... ... ...Tveble John W. Barker ... ... 4 | Horace Smith | .. | ... | .. | 2 | Herbert L. Harlow | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Miss Evelyn | 5 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mteel... | .. | 3 | Frank Webb |  |  |  | Conducted by Frank Webb.

## BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE,

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, September 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5400 CHANCES;

In ten methods, being 720 Double Oxford and Oxford Bob, 720 Double Bob and Plain Bob, 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Grandsire, Canterbury Pleasure and 360 Single Court.

Tenor $8 \frac{3}{x} \mathrm{cwt}$.
John Bevan... ... ... ...Treble John Gwynne ... ... ... 4
Allen Gwynne ... ... ... 2 Edward Sommers ... ... 5 James Blake ... ... ... 3 William Poston ... .... Tenor Conducted by W. Poston.
Rung in honour of the marriage of Miss V. Newnham-Smith, daughter of Col. Newnham-Smith, Moraston House, Bridstow, and Capt. H. J. T. Marshall, R.N., which took place on that date. First peal in ten methods by the Hereford Diocesan Guild, and rung at first attempt.

## LAMBERHURST, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGE ;
Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt .
John Bailey .Tveble George Fuller
 Albert Relfe ... ... ... 3 Walter Marswall... .... Tenor Conducted by Walter Marshall,
Rung as a birthday compliment to George Fuller.
GREAT BARTON, SUFFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Weducslay, October 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,
At the Church of the Holy Innocents,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANEES;

Being seven 720 's each called differently. Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. 3 lbs. Horace W. Fotlger ...Treble |*William Durrant ... ... 4
 Conducted by H. W. Fodlger.

* First peal.

TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, October 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 GHAMGES;

Being 720 each of York, Durham, London, Wells, Cambridge, Netherseale and Norwich Surprise Tenor 20 cwt.
Clarence Gooch ... ...Treble Fred Manser ... ... ... 4 George Snelling $\quad . .$. Fred Seager ... ......${ }^{2}$ John Snelling... ... Conducted by B. F. Turner.

## COLSTERWORTH, LINCOLNSHIRE <br> THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Soothern Branch.)

On Saturday, October 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Oxford Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently.

Tenor 9 cwe.


| * Frederick Kelly | ... | ... | 2 | †Arthur Skinns | .. | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| *Charles Kelly | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | 3 | Sidney Proctor | ... | ... Tenor |  | Conducted by Sidney Proctor.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal in two methods. All except the conductor are members of the local band.

CHIGWELL ROW, ESSEX.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. On Saturday, October 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fift'-seven Minutes, At the Churgh of All Saints,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Chester, Beverley, Cambridge, London, Wells, York and Durham.
Arthur J. Neal... ... ...Tveble George A. Black ... ... 2 Charles W. Clarke ... 3 Conducted by Tenor 15 cwt.
William H. Theobald... 4 William Miller ... ... 5 Joffn Moule ... ... ...Tenor illiam Miller.
This peal was arranged and rung as a welcome to Mr. C. W. Clarke, of Bedford, who was spending a week-end in East London. Thanks are due to Mr. G. F. Margetson who had everything in readiness and gave the band a hearty welcome. Two of the above methods are Class III, the rest Class IV.

BEACHAMPTON, BUCKS
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(North Bucks Branch.)
On Saturday, October 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Consisting of Grandsire, Antelope, St. Dunstan's and Bob Doubles. Tenor 8 cwt. o qr. 27 lbs.


* First peal. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. and Mrs. Cobbold, who, to the regret of the ringers, are learing Beachampton for Bratton Fleming, North Devon.


## MATHON, WORCESTERSHIRE

 THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.On Sunday, October 5, 1913, in Two Hours ard Forty-thrce Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Comprising 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.
$\begin{array}{llllllllll}\text { Andrew Layton... } & \ldots & \ldots . \text { Tyeble } & \text { Ernest Gibbs ... } & \text {... } & . . & 4 \\ \text { J. Howard R. Freeborn... } & 2 & \text { E. William Turner } & \ldots & 5\end{array}$ Tenor 8 cwt .

Charles Layton ... ... 3 George Jordan ... ...Tenor Conducted by Charles Layion.
Quickest peal on the bells. Arranged as a farewell peal for Mr . Gibbs, who is moving to another part of the country. Mr. Freeborn, whose first peal on six bells this is, was elected a member of the Guild before starting.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## SHEFFIELD.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIOIN.
On Tuesday, Septsmber 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Seventeen Minutes, At 3I, Burgess Street,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Holt's Original.


WISBECH, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, October 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes, At "York Villa,"

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 10,080 GHANCES:

Being fourteen 720's.
Stanley E. Andreivs ... I-2 | Thomas Haines ... Ralph Narborough ... 5-6
Conducted by Ralph Narborough.
Umpire: Horace Banham.
Witness: Mrs. Narborough.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor's father.

SIBLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, October 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Three Ninutes
At the Residence of Mr. Lewis Wiseman,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
George Pannell ... ... 1 - 2 | Lewis Wiseman ... ... 3-.
Olave Broyd … 5-6
Conducted by Olave Broyd.
Umpire: A. Catterwell.
Witness: E. Ruffle.

## HERSHAM, SURRLY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, October 3, 1913, in Two Howrs and Twenty-three Minutes,
At "Leyland," Queen's Road,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor, size 12 , in $F$ sharp.
Arthor Shepherd... ... I 2 John Sparrow...
William Shepherd ... 3-4 Ferris Shepherd ... ... 5-6 Composed by Arthur T. King, and Conducted by William Shepherd.
Umpires: Messrs. Frank E. Smith and John W. C. Stewart.

The number of changes in the peal of Bristol Surprise at Wymondham on September 27 th was 5056 , not 5024 .

## W. J. JEEFRIES' 150 PEALS.

Grandsire Triples (21 conducted), 44; Grandsire Caters, 2; Oxford Bob Triples, 5; Stedman Triples ( 1 conducted), 20; Stedman Caters, 6; Stedman Cinques, 2; Plain Bob Major (1 conducted), 5; Plain BobRoyal, 1; Kent Treble Bob Mri- 17 ; Kent Treble Bob Royal, 4; Double Oxford Major, 1; Double Norwich Court Bob Major, 16; Doublo Norwich Court Bob Royal, 1; Superlative Surprise Major, 6; Cambridge Surprise Major, 11; Brıstol Surprise Major, 2; London Surprise Major, 1; New Cumberland Surprise Major, 4: Forward Royal, 2; total, 150.

## WEIGHT AND NOTE OF BELLS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-As the note of the tenor, as well as its weight, is frequently quoted in peal and other notices, I have often wondered how such notes are arrived at. Could not some reliable standard be adopted; say, for instance, Philharmonic pitch?
As an example, there are the new Chelmsford bells, which scale out in average weight $11 \frac{1}{5}$ cwt. Bow bells average 18 cwt.-over 50 per cent. heavier. Yet both these rings are in C!-Yours faithfully, Poole.
C. ADIERE.

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## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION <br> ANNUAL MFETING AT LIVERPOOL.

After a lapse of 22 years, Liverpool was again visited for the annual neeting, the bells available being St. Nicholas' (12), Garston (8) and Walton (6). linging was indulged in from 1 p.m., when the Furness contingent set Garston going to Stedman. St. Nicholas' bells were opened at 2.30 , and kept going, except during the service and meeting, till 9.0 p.m., and as the liners were outward bound down the river, their passengers had a send-off they were not likely to forget. A special form of service was held, and much enjoyed, particularly as the Bishop of Liverpool was the preacher.
The Toord Bishop took his text from Numbers x, 1-3. He said this was the fourlh occasion on which he had preached to Lanoashire ringe ${ }_{\text {rs }}$, ancl he was afraid he had nothing new to tell them. Yet when he heard that they were having tiheir annual meeting at Liverpool, he :ould not resist the invitation. He wanted them to realise the value and importance of the work of bell ringing. The office was ancient, honourable and religious It was arcient beoause from the very earliest ecords people were called together to worship by some kind of instrument. The text showed that the Jews were inetructed to use silver trumpets. Belle, very similar to our own, had been in use in this mintry from at least the ninth century, and Ireland still possessed the bell that was supposed to have been given by St. Patrick. Bells were now universally used to call people to worship, and in our own country there were about 3,000 peals of bells and almost 30,000 ringers. Change inging was peculiarly an English art, and people leaving these shores for a foreign country greatly mised the bells. Similarly, people who kad been raway for a number of years, on returning appreciated to the most the sound of the bells. Again the office was an honourable one. n the early days the people who were allowed to blow trumpete were he priests, and by them it was Theld a dignified and sacred duty. To ng bells required great skill, strength, and brain, and they all knew ifficult it was to train a man to take a vacant place. Bell s must be self-sacrificing, for they had often to leave pleasures would like to have enjoyed, to meet for practice. It was honouralso, because bells were almost a necessary accompaniment to onal rejoicing. They would feel there was something ehort withthem. Again, how a muffled peal seemed to awe the heart, and exthe sorrowful feeling of the moment. The ringers' office was a ligious office, for they served their Father in Heaven by calling people sorship. They little knew how many men and women, who were able to come to church, prayed when they heard the bells. The
cacher urged his hearers to be regular with their work, for to stay might greatly upset the arrangements. Above all he asked em to be reverent with the bells. They were dedicated to God, and honld be treated with the greatest reverence. The belfry was part of od's House, 60 let there be no profane language used in it. He sould iike to see every ringer admitted with a oolemn service. He crvice themselves. What sadder sight was there than to see the themselves. What sadder sight was there than to see the ignoring the service that they had called others to?
The tea and business meeting was held in the schools.
The the (Mr. J. Barratt.) and the ringing secretary (Mr. J. The vicepresident. (Mr. J. Barratt) and the ringing cecretary (Mr. J. H. Banks) tors.
The committee, in their report, mentioned that there were 1,405 members in the county, and altogether there was a total of 1,355 , as against 304 last year. They had lnst seven by death, 38 had lapsed, and 90 now members had been added. The financial side showed a loss on he year of 30 s . mainly through the members not keeping up their subscriptions. The best thanks of the committee was given to the local secretaries, upon whom so much depended. The peals numbered 105, 31 of which were Stedman. This constituted a record for the sisnciation.
The thanks of the meeting were given to the Bishop. the Rector of Liverpool, and the organist and chair for giving up the Saturday afternoon enjopment for the sake of the Association.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Bedford distrio was held at Milton Ernest, on and evening from, when representatires attended during the afternoon and evening from nine towers, the methods rung ranging from Grandsire Doubles to London Surprise. -The Vicar (the Rev. E. T. Holmes) kindly entertained the members to tea, and by his thoughtful consideration, the tables were placed in a shady position on the greensward in front of the Vicarage. His kindness and hospitality gave vident pleasure to all present.
W. Barker) propss meeting followed, at which the Secretary (Mr. J. W. Barker) proposed Lord Ampthill for hon. membership. - It was decided to hold the next meeting at Woottion. on Saturday, October 25 th. instruction and practice continued on the bells untid 8 p.m., and then followed an hour of hilarity with the loral ringers, headed by the and pedestrians wendin. Marnett), and in the shades of erening cyclists and pedestrians wended their way homewards, after spending a most onjovable time in that svlvan retreat.
Peal cards 1s. 1d. per dozen, poet free. Order and remittance must coompany the peal when sent us for publioation.

## WINCHESTER GJILD,

A very successful meeting of the Basingstoke District was held at Bramley, Hants, on Saturday. The date was originally fixed, in the hope that Miss Edith Parker, and several members of the Ladies Guild, would be present; but, unfortunately, it was afterwards found to clash with the unveiling of the tablet at Cubitt Town. Miss Eva Belcher, however, was at home to the district ringers, who assembled to the number of 33, from Bramley, Basingstoke, Oakley, Overton, Rotherwick, Sherfield and Whitchurch. Mr. Paice, a visitor from Caversham, was also of the party. The bells (6) were set going about 4 p.m. to Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, and Plain Bob Minor. A service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. T. Hayes Belcher), and, to the manifest enjoyment of all, was much brightened by the playing and singing of Miss Madge Belcher, and the church choir. Tea followed-the Guild tea, of course-but, by the generous forethought of Miss Eva Belcher-gocd friend to ringers - glorified with a splendid ham, and cucumbers, tomatoes and cakes, not soon to be forgotten.

At the business meeting, the Rector was voted to the chair, and offered a very warm welcome to the ringers assembled. Apologies were prut in, regretfully, for the absence of the captain of the Bramlay band, and the district secretary, unavoidably prevented from attending. Two probationers were elected to the Bramley company.-The possibility of a ringing visit to Highclere and Wootton Hill, with a view to bringing Highclere into union, was discussed; and the claim upon the districts to help in completing the peal at Titchfield, the Parish Church of the Master (the Rev. C. E. Matthews), was urged as a gracious and grace ful act of gratitude. -The Rector of Rotherwick proposed votes of thanks to the Rev. T. H. Belcher for his presenoe, and for the service, and use of the bells; to Miss Belcher for the music and singing; and to Miss Eira Belcher for the kind and careful preparations and welcome. -The Rector responded with a hope that there might be many more such meetings at Bramley.-Further ringirg, kept up till about 9, brought to a close one of the happiest of the many happy" quarterlies " of the Basingstoke district. It may be mentioned that the annual district meeting wil be held at Basingstoke on Saturday, November 22 nd .

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. A MID-TVEK MEETING TO BE HELD.

A quarterly meeting of the Devizes branch was held at Bradford-onAron, on Saturday, but owing to it being a very wet day, and also to the fact of a peal going on at Trowbridge, the attendance was not so large as could be desired. However, a dozen ringers turned up, and ringing commenced at 3 o'clock. An adjournment was made for tea, the visitors sitting down to an excellent spread at Summer's Restaurant. Afterwards a short business meeting was held, at which the Master, the Rev. H. E. Tilney-Bassett, kindly presided (the Rev. J. A. Sturton, chairman, being prevented by stress of weather from being present), and was supported by Mr. H. Brownlee West (hon. secretary), and ringing members from Holt, Bradford, Southbroom, and Beechingstoke.
Mr. West spoke of the difficulty experienced by many members, who, being engaged in business, were never able to be present at the meetings on Saturday afternoone, and on their behalf suggested, that for experiment, the next meeting to be held in November, should be at Chirton and Marden, on Wednesday, November 5th. He hoped that a good number would put in an appearance on that date. This was seconded by Mr. Moore, and carried unanimously

The Master, who is Rector of Beechingstoke, very kindly promised to provide a tea for all those attending on that date.--'The December meeting was then discussed, Mr. Moore and Mr. Derham proposing Hilperton, whilst Mr. West and Mr. Wheeler were in favour of Seend, and upon being put to the vote, it was decided to hold the meeting at Seend.-The annual meeting is to be held at Devizes in January, 1914.Mr. Derham proposed, and Mr. Moore seconded, the election of Mr. F. Collett, of Holt, as a ringing member of the Guild, which was duly carried
Mr. West proposed a rote of thanks to the Vicar of Bradford for the use of the bells, and the company then returned to the tower. Some good touches upon a beautiful set of handbells belonging to the Bradford tower were also rung, and brought to a close a very happy and enjoyable meeting

## SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The October meeting of the Sheffield District Society was held on Saturday, at Doncaster, instead of at Eckington, where the bells are not yet ready. About 18 ringers were present from Barnsley, Bolsterstone, Doncaster, Ranmoor, Selby, Sheffield, and Worksop.
The fined-toned ring of eight (tenor 30 cwt .) were raised about 5 o'clock, and were kept going with short intervals till 8.30, touches of Grandsire, Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, and Double Norwich Major being brought round during the evening. - Mr. H. S. Morley (Selby) was elected a member of the Society. - A hearty vote of thanks to the Ven. Archdeacon Sandford for granting the use of the bells, and to the local band for making all arrangements, was carried unanimously, and this closed the proceedings.

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## THE LADIES' PEAL.

GOMMEMORATIVE TABLET UNVEILED.


On Saturday, Christ Church, Isle of Dogs, was the scene of a ceremony which will become historic in the history of ringing, viz., the unveiling of the tablet recording the ladies' peal. The church, with its graceful spire, is a conspicuous object from the Thames as you approach Greenwich. It was built some 57 years ago at the sole cost of Mr. Wm. Cubitt, Lord Mayor of London, who placed in its tower, five bells cast by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. To these three more were added by the congregation to mark the Jubilee of the Ghurch in 1907, and now this, the mother church of the Isle of Dogs, has a ring of bells of which the parish is justly proud.

It was the lightness and good going of the bells which caused it to $b_{e}$ selected by a band of lady ringers to attempt their first peal together; an attempt which they carricd to success to the admiration of all ringers throughout England. A rery handsome tablet, no doubt the handsomest in any tower, subseribed for by many hundreds of ringers, and finely executed by Messrs. Casper and Co., of Gray's Inn Road, records the event.

At its unveiling a goodly gathering of ringers from far and near assembled in church, together with four of the ladies and their friends. The Rev. J. G. Simpson, Canon of St. Paul's, kindly came from the Cathedral to unveil the tablet, which he did in the presence of the ladics, the $\nabla$ icar, and the parish ringere, while a hymn was being sung by the congregation in church.

A short service, with appropriate hymns, followed, and Canon Simpson gave a very striking and plain-spoken address from 1 Cor. ix, 16 (the text which is inscribed round "Great Paul ").

The dedicatory prayers offered were:-
O Almighty God, to Whose service this Holy House is ballowed; be pleased to accept this Memorial which we place within its walls. Grant that it may be pleasing to Thee, and that it may help us to dedicate all our powers more heartily and more singly to Thy service; for Jesus Christ's Sake-Amen.

Look mercifully, $O$ Lord, upon us and all others who take part in the Ministry of Thy Holy House. Take from us all self seeking and self pleasing, all vain-glory and worldliness. Give us humble hearts, to use and offer all our gifts of mind and body for the glory of Thy Great Name and the benefit of Thy Holy Church. Bless this Memorial which we offer here, and help us to rejoice one with another as fellow helpers together with Thee. For the love of Thy dear Son, who with Thee and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth Ever One God, now and for ever.-Amen.
After the service, a company of ringers, with the ladies as the puests of the even'ng. sat down to a substantial tea in Christ Church Schools. The ringers present came from far and near, and included a band from Leicester.

After tea, the. Vicar congratulated the ladies on their historic performance in the belfry, and on the memorial of it for ensuing generations in the splendid tablet which recorded it in letters of gold. He characterised their feat as one step, and that a distinguished one, in the wonderful achievements of womanhood in all walks of life in our generation and welcomed it as a foretaste of more to follow. It would grace and refine the office of a ringer, and be a safeguard against evile which in days gone by degraded the ringing chambers of the church.
Votes of thanks to the ladies, to Canon Simpson, the Editor of the "Ringing World," the designers of the tablet, and the Vicar, were acclaimed, and the ringers then proceeded, after some sweet music on the handbells, to send out the melody of the church bells over the parish and surrounding district.

The tablet, provided by the contributions of some 1,200 ringers throughout the country, chiefly in subscriptions of one penny each, is a magnificent production in marblette, and no more splendid record of a peal adorns any tower. It was designed by Mr. H. A. Whitburn, L.R.I.B.A., of Woking, and was made by Messrs. Caspar and Co, the well-known decorative glass workers, of King's Road, St. Pancras, to whose munificence is largely due the fact that the tablet is of such a striking nature. Standing 4 ft . 6 in . high, the tablet is 3 ft . wide, withi the lettering engraved and gilded, eight bells, swinging in artistic design, surmounting the reoord. The tablet is mounted on a fumed oak board, with champered edges, and curved pediment top. The actual wording of the tablet may be seen in the illustration of the board, which appears on the previous page.

## THE LADIES' THANKS.

Dear Sir,-Through the medium of your columns, I wish to express, on behalf of those who took part in the ladies' peal at Cubitt Town, our gratitude to those of our brother ringers who have helped to provide the splendid tabletcommemorating the peal, which was unveiled on Saturday last, and at the same time to convey our thanks to these who were concerned in making the arrangements for the unveiling ceremony, particularly to the Rev. J. Hartley and his band of ringers, who have on every occasion $g$ ven us the greatest possible assistance. We sincerely appreciate the encouragement which the ringers of Great Britain have given us in this and many other instances, and the handsome tablet will be a lasing memento of their consideration towards us.- Yours faithfully,
Enfield, October 7th, 1913.
EDITII K. PARKER.

## DEATH OF LEICESTER'S OLDEST RINGER.

It is with regret that we record the death of Mr. James Jarvis, of Leicester, which occurred on Wednesday, October 1st, at the advanced age of 80 . He was connected with the old school of Leioester ringers before the formation of the Mridland Counties Association, and when peal ringing was not so much in vogue as now. He had taken part in some 15 or 16 peals, chielly Grandsire Caters and Triples, his first being rung at St. Margaret's, Leicester, as far back as 1868 ( 5130 Grandsire Caters, conducted by th 3 late Mr. Edward Biggs). The interment took place on Saturday, at the Old Leicester Cemetery, when five of his fellow ringers rang a course of Grandsire Caters on 'handbells over his grave, viz.: E. Morris 1-2, C. H. Fowler 3-4, S. Cotton 5-6, G. Cleal 7-8, J, Morris $9-0$. Amongst the floral tributes was a wreath from the Leicester changie ringers. On Monday evening, muffled touches were rung at St. Mark's, including Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise Major. E. M.

## ODD CHANGES.

The marriage will take place at the Priory Church, Great Malvern, on October 14th, of Mr. J. R. H. Freeborn and Miss Muriel Holme, daughter of Mr. G. J. Holme, of Great Malvern. The ceremony will be performed by the bridegroom's father, the Rev. A. C. R. Freeborn, Vicar of Kidlington, Oxon.

Ringing members attending the C.E.M.S. conference at Cardiff on Thursday next will be welcomed at St. John's tower, where the ten bells will be open from 4.30 to $5 \cdot 30$ and 7.30 to $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

To-day is the anniversary of a peal of Bob Major rung ${ }^{1} 34$ years ago at St. George the Martyr's Church, Southwark, by the College Youths. The record of the peal is as follows :-

ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK.
On October 10th, 1779, the Society of College Youths performed at the above church a compleat peal of 5040 Bob Major, in 3 hrs. 18 mins. William Hopwood 1, John Povey 2, Winstanley Richardson 3, George

Scarsbrook 4, James Darquitt 5, Samuel Muggeridge 6, William Lyford 7, Jamos Worsley 8. The peal was called by John Povey. Tenor bell, 15 cwt. 3 qrs. 8 lbs.

The first peal in the method on the bells, however, was. rung 29 years before the above, and was conducted by no less a worthy than the great Benjamin Annable himself.

## ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK.

The Society of College Youthe company rang, on Monday, August 27th, 1750, a compleat peal of 5040 Bob Major St. George, being the first that was done upon the bells, in 3 hrs. 10 mins. The performers were: William Meddufs 1, William Pickard 2, Stephen Picard 3, William Griffiths 4, Thomas Bennett 5, Benjamin Annable 6, Samuel Thompson: 7, Stephen Pickhaver 8. Conducted by Benjamin Annable. Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qrs. 8 lbs.

Because they were not invited to the choir outing, the bell ringers at All Saints' Church, Freshwater, Isle of Wight, who were smarting under other grievances, struck work, says a daily paper. The bells are being rung by a mechanical arrangement installed by the Rector on the occasion of a previous strike a few years ago.

The peal of 10,080 Bob Minor rung on handbells by Wisbech ringers speaks well for the perseverance of the band, who are to be congratulated upon their successfur performance. Their progress has been largely due to the enthusiasm of Mr. Ralph Narborough, and we hope soon to see them ringing eight-bell peals "in hand."

In our biographical sketch of Mr. F. G. May we mentioned that he took part in the first peal of Erin Caters ever rung. It should have been described as the first rung in the West. The first in the method was scored by the Durham and Newcastle Association at North Shields on July 12th, 1909, conducted by W. H. Barber. The northern association can now claim the first peal of Dublin Complex Major. Although a method with a plain hunt for the treble, we think most of our readers who study the figures given in our last issue will agree in classing it as among one of the most difficult to ring.

Miss K. Proctor, of Grantham, another promising lady ringer, on Saturday week rang at Barkston her first 720 of Doubles, the method being Grandsire, and the band: Miss Proctor 1, S. Proctor 2, A. Palmer 3, J. Miller 4, W. Woods 5, R. Scott, junr., 6.

The Boston, U.S.A., band are keeping busy, and on Sunday, September 2 rst, rang 720 Kent Treble Bob at Christ Church, the ringers being: P. J. Allfrey I, G. Moore 2, G. Mackman 3, E. E. Randall 4, S. J. Perkins 5, Wm. Bashford (conductor) 6.

As we have often mentioned, it is extremely difficult for anyone to achieve any strikingly new performance in ringing. The week before last a footnote to a peal of Grandsire Triples at Coddenham stated that it was believed to be the first time a ringer had rung his first two peals on the same day, Mr. Charles Ward having rung the tenor to a peal of Stedman Triples and a peal of Grandsire on September $5^{5}$ th, these being his first 5040's. Mr. Wilby Hazell, however, informs us that he did the same thing on May 16th, 1892, when he rang the 7 th to a peal of Treble Bob Major at Foxearth and the 2nd to a peal of Bob Major at Walter Belchamp, and by a curious coincidence Mr. W. J. Nevard, who rang in both of Mr. Ward's peals, also rang in Mr. Hazell's two first performances.

## Chelmsford Cathedral.



The new ring of 12 bells (Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs.) for Chelmsford Cathedral was dedicated by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans on Saturday, September 27th, 1913.

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## TREBLE BOB CATERS.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir,-If Mr. A. Paddon Smith will prick the first two rows of Oxford Treble Bob and the first row of Kent Treble Bob on nine bells, he will find that they are not Caters. - Yours truly,
H. LAW JAMES.

## To the Editor

Dear Sir,-In reference to your remarks in "The Ringing World " of Sept. 19th, and also Mr. A. Paddon Smith's letter in your last issue, it is clear, in the absence of any figures to the contrary, that the peals rung at Birmingham and Aston were of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob applied to nine bells by making each bell cover the 9 th place in turn. It is obvious that continuous Cater changes cannot be obtained in this manner; hence the above peals were not Treble Bob Caters at all.Yours truly,

CLEMENT GLENN.

## " SOULING." <br> To the Editor.

Sir,-A member of the Essex Association has kindly called my attention to a paragraph in the "Staffordshire Weekly Sentinel" of Sept. 20th last, in which under the heading, "Quaint Midland Customs," is descrihed a custom practised in Cheshire, Shropshire, Staffordshire and Worcestershire during the month of November, and known as "Souling," "C Clementing," or "Catterning," according to the day on which it is locally observed, riz., Norember 1st and 2nd, All Saints' or All Souls' Day; November 23'rd, St. Clement's Day; and November 25th, St. Katherine's Day. In North Staffordshire, North Shropshire and Cheshire, where it is known as "Souling," children go round begging for cakes and singing this ditty:-

> Soul, soul, for a soul cake!
> Pray, good missus, a eoul cake!
> Peter stands at yonder gate
> Waiting for a soul cake."

This custom, it 18 suggested, goes back to primitive Celtic observances; but no mention is made of any connection of it with bells or bell ringing. Such connection, if it exists, may be only nccidental, due to the fact that All Saints' Day was a great day on which belle were likely to be rung; or, possibly, because those who went "Souling " rang a bell, like the modern muffin man, to attract attention. The custom itself is probably older than bell ringing.

St. Albans.
T. L. PAPILLON

## STEDMAN AND ERIN TRIPLES.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-I note in four issue of Sept. 26th, the Rev. E. S. Powell advanced a very ingenious argument upon the above subject, viz., the altered position of singles, without arriving at any very definite conclusions.

In compositions in these methods the whole of the changes are used as well as all the course-ends in a 5040 peal, and while the plan of one composition, may, perhaps, be considered a variation of another, all of them, when differently constructed, may be considered separate compositions. I mention this in general terms, only to show there is no question of shortening these compositions, as if such an operation takes place the result will be a touch and no peal at all, so his analogy is remote indeed.

The reverend gentleman goes on to discuss the value of a "bob" in composition, with an allusion to the use of one which cuts a composition almost in halves, and adrises your readers that such a slight alteration in calling is not to be considered off-hand, as mere piracy. Who said it was, and who was thus accused?
If I may, I should like to ask the Rev. E. S. Powell a question on the point. In so doing let me ask readers to turn up Snowdon's " Treatise on Treble Bob," Part II, page 78. The last peal there given will be found a 9120 , by J. Lockwood, in 30 courses. What I wish to point out is, that by adding a. Bob W to the calling of the 15 th course, the bells will run home plain at the course-end, in a peal of 5280 changes, the remaiuder of the full peal being cut away entirely. My question is: What would be thought of the man who reduced this 9120 to 5280 changes as indicated, and claimed it as his own composition?

IIY. DAINS.

## PRESENTATION TO BELL=HANGER.

On Friday, at a meeting of Holy Trinity, Guildford, Society, a presentation was made to Mr. S. Smith. bell hanger. (Messrs. Taylor's representative), who has rehung the bells in Holy Trinity tower. The gift took the form of a silver match box, suitably inscribed.-Mr. B. Chorley, the hon. secretary, on behalf of the ringers, said the idea of presenting Mr. Smith with a small present before his departure from Guildford, was to show that they very much appreciated the way in which he had carried out the work. - Mr. Smith, in thanking the ringers, remarker that he should always value that token of their goodwill, and he wished the society every success.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY.

The last cycle run of the season took place on Saturday last in magnificent weather. Eight miles to the west of Wolverhampton lies the vilage of Patshull, which contains only a few houses, and belongs entirely to the Earl of Dartmouth. His residence is situated in a splendid park, which contains two beantiful serpentine lakes. It is in this park that the Church of St. Mary, with its peal of six bells, stands. Owing to puncture tioubles en route, the full party of ringers did not arrive here till about an hour late, which necessitated a very brief stay. Owing to the energy and interest of Mr. Albert Taylor, of Burnhill Green-one of the locad ringers-the belfry is well cared for. Sundry repairs to the bearings of the bells have been carried out of recent years locally, a fact, unfortmately, to which the treble testifies only too well. When will these cases, all too numerous, of mistaken economy cease?

A lovely run through the park and the village of Pattingham brought the cyclists to Trysull, where tea had been ordered by the advance party. In strong contrast to another tea, at the same price, fresh in memory, was the one here to which ringers from Bradley, Bridgnorth, Rushall, Tettenhall and Wolverhampton St. Peter sat down, and many were the appreciative remarks. Everything was in readiness at the tower, and the splendid peal of six were soon going to Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, and Plain Bob Minor.
Five cycle runs have been held this year, and have all proved most enjoyable with the possible exception of the first, which was cadly marred by the weather. The increased attendance in connection with them has been exceedingly gratifying, and if their justification from the missionary point of view be sought, an instance can be provided of one tower, which is now receiving instruction from the society as a direct result of the visit.

## CHESHUNT PEAL BOARD UNVEILED.

A peal board recording the first peal rung by a local band has been unveiled at St. Mary's Parish Church, Cheshunt. Among those present at the interesting ceremony were the Vicar (the Rev. C. B. Law), Mrs. Law, the Rev. T. H. W. Barker, Mrs. Blockey, Miss Blockey, Mr. P. Hargreaves (churchwarden), Mr. A. E. Clow, and many other ladies and geutlemen. The proceedings commenced with prayer, after which the Vicar explained the purpose of the meeting, and asked Mrs. Law to unveil the board. Mrs. Law having performed the ceremony, Mr. H. G. Rowe, the conductor of the society, thanked her for her kindnoss, and presented, her with a framed photograph of the board. -Mrs. Law briefly acknowledged the gift. A short touch was then ring on the bells, during which several ladies and gentlemen ascended the tower to see the bells ringing. The Vicar afterwards joined the ringers in a short touch.
The peal board, which wras made and written by Mr. Julian V. Mumms of Waltham Cross, is 3 ft . 6 in . wide, 2 ft . 6 in . high, with Gothic-shaped top, and is inscribed as follows: The Hertfordshire Association.- On Saturday, March 29th, 1913, in 3 hrs .5 mins., was rung in this tower a peal of Grandsire Triples ( 5040 changes), Taylor's six-part: David Tucker (treble), George Andrews (2nd), George Maxim (3rd), Francis Jelf (4th), Henry Cornwall (5th), Henry G. Rowa (6th), Horace Simmons (7th), Robert Smith (tenor). Conducted by Henry George Rowe. First peal by a local band. Rev. C. B. Law, M.A., Vicar. T. S. Blockey, F. B. Debeuham, P. Hargreaves (Churchwardens).

## BELL RESTORATIONS.

ULEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
Messrs. Llewellins and James have just completed an interesting little piece of restoration at Uley Church, Gloucestershire, and have received the compliments of the church authorities upon the sucoessful manner in which the work has been carried out. A new frame has been provided, upon a foundation of strong rolled steel joists, and the ancient bell quarter turned and rehung in all new fittings.

## ESCRICK, YORKS

For the first time for some 17 years, the bells of St. Holen's Church, Escrick, Yorks, have been rung for the harvest festival. They are a peal of five, with tenor 12 cwt ,, and bave recently been overhauled and rehung, the work having been entrusted to Messers. J. Warner and Sons, Ltd., who have carried out their work in a most satisfactory manner, the "go" being all that can be desired. It is hoped shortly to be able to raise the funds to add a nother treble and make a peal of six. The following took part in the ringing: J. Sarginson 1, R. Ellar 2. Rev. C. H. B. Trollope and A. Lofthouse 3, L. Dennison 4, T. W. Robbins 5. The ringers of the 2rid, 3rd and 4th have learnt since the restoration of the bells in August last.

## G. F. SWANN'S 100 PEALS.

On tower bells: Grandsire Triples, 5 (conducted 2) : Stedman Triples, 31 (12) ; Stedman Caters, 4 ; Stedman Cinques, 9 ; Bob Major, 5 (3); Kent Treble Bob Major, ${ }^{\prime}$ (1) : Kent Treble Bob Royal, 1; Double Oxford Major, 1; Double Norwich Major, 15; Donble Yorkshire Major, 2; Sunerlative Surprise Major, 10 (1); Cambridge Surprise Major, 6 ; Bristol Siuprise Major, 3; Irmdon Shrprise Major, 1. On handbells Stedman Triples; 2 (conducter 1); Stedman Caters, 3; total, 100; conducted, 20.

## NOTICES.

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IMPORTANT. - Correspondents and others should note that in future all communications to "The Ringing World " should be addressed to 9, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.-Commencing October, meetings for practice of Caters and Royal will be held monthly at Hillingdon East on the first Tuesday at 7 p.m., and for Stedman and Major at St. Andrew's, Hillingdon West, on the third Monday at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 23 rd; St. John's, Hackney, on the 2rst; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 14 th; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 28th; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays; St. Magnus 7.30 ; the others at 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824).-The eleventh annual grand Bohemian concert of the Association will be held on Saturday, October irth, igr3, at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wail, City. Doors open 7.15 p.m., commence 7.45 p.m. Admission by programme, price sixpence, which may be obtained from all officers of the Association and others. Ladies specially invited.-F. J. Hardy, Hon. General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

KENT ASSOCIATION. - Maidstone District.-The half-yearly meeting of the Maidstone district of the Kent County Association will take place at Lenham on Saturday, October IIth. The belfry will be open at 2.30 , and the Association service will be held in the church at 5 p.m. -Kenneth W. Mumford, Honorary Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.The next meeting of the Castle Cary Deanery Branch will be held at Castle Cary on Saturday, October Inth, 1913. Service in the church 4.15 p.m. Tea in the schoolroom 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Bells available from 2.30 to 9 p.m. All ringers and friends cordially invited.T. G. Vincent, Wraxall, Shepton Mallet.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Powick on Saturday, October inth, I9I3. Service at 4 p.m. prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available.-R. G. Knowles, Madresfield, Malvern, Honorary Secretary.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Sudbury Branch.
A meeting of this branch will be held at Monk's Eleigh (four miles from Lavenham) on Saturday, October irth. Tea will be provided at the Bull Inn at $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. - R. L. Gardner, Lavenham, Suffolk.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Everton on Saturday, October IIth. Tea at 5 -I5 p.m. Shall be glad to receive all unpaid subscriptions for 1913 at this meeting.-H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary, io3, Gateford Road, Worksop.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at Leigh on Saturday, October ifth. Bells available from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A district meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry will be held at Melbourn on Saturday, October irth. Short service at 5 o'clock. Tea in the schoolroom at $5 \cdot 30$.-P. Webb, District Secretary, Ickleton, Saffron Walden.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade Branch. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Potton on Saturday, October IIth, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock.-F. Blood, District Secretary.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).-The quarterly meeting of this society will take place on Monday, October I3th, at the Church of St. Mary, Holloway, N. Tower open from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Business meeting to follow.-F. J. Hardy, Honorary General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be held at Ipswich on Wednesday, October 15 th. All the towers in the town available for ringing throughout the day. Divine service at St. Mary-le-Tower at $\mathbf{r} 2.45$ p.m. Dinner in St. Lawrence Parish Hall at 1.30 p.m. Notice of intention to be present at dinner must be sent to me not later than October ${ }^{1} 3^{\text {th }}$. For full particulars see circular sent to all companies.C. E. Borrett, Secretary, 12, Grove Avenue, Norwich.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD OF CHANGE RINGERS.-Portsmouth District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Havant on Wednesday, October isth. Bells available from noon. Short service at 5.30. Tea at Institute at 6 o'clock. Meeting after. Members requiring tea kindly let me know by the 13 th inst.-J. W. Whiting, District Secretary, Fareham.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Blackburn Branch.-The next branch meeting will be held at Accrington on Saturday, October 18th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock, meeting 7 p.m. - John Watson, Branch Secretary.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Elloe Deaneries Branch. - The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Donington on Saturday, October 18th, 1913. Dinner at the Peacock Inn at one o'clock. Tickets 2 s . 3d. each. Service in church at 3.30 p.m. - G. Ladd, Honorary Secretary, Pinchbeck, Spalding.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - The next quarterly meeting and six-bell contest will be held at Batley on Saturday, October 18th, 19I3. Tenor II cwts. Draw for order of ringing at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea will be provided at 6 d . each for all those who order from me br October ${ }^{1} 3^{\text {th. }}$-F. Salmons, 8 , Salisbury Place, Halifax.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury District.-The next meeting will be held at Chilham on Saturday, October 18th. The tower will be opened at 3 p.m. Divine service at $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Woolpack Inn, followed by short business meeting. The usual travelling allowances will be paid at this meeting. Will all those who intend being present kindly let me know by Tuesday, October i4th?--E. Trendell, Hon. District Secretary, Boughton, Faversham.

ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY, SHEF-FIELD.-The next meeting of the above society will be held at Norton on Saturday, October 18th, 1913. Bells ready at 4 p.m.--J. Evinson, 9I, Clarence Street, Sheffield

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Axbridge Deanery Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Blagdon on Saturday, October 18th. Service at 4.30 . Tea at 5.15 in the Parish Room. Business meeting to follow. Bells available from 2 p.m. - J. Harris, Branch Secretary, Burnham.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOC-IETY.-The next monthly meeting of the Leeds and District Society will be held at Bolton on Saturday, October I8th, r9I3. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting will be held at the Bolton Hotel at 7 p.m.-F. Hopwood, Secretary, 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824). - Southern Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Oct. 18th, at St. Mary's, Putney. Tower open from 4 p.m. to $7.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers and friends invited.-F. A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.
LINCOLN UIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Stamford, on Saturday, 0 Otober 18th. The bells of All Saints' (6), St. Martin's (6), St. Michael's (6), available afternoon and evening. Tea will be provided at the Crown Hotel at 5 p.m.; business meeting to follow. All ringers and friends cordially invited.-S. Proctor, Secretary, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at St. Elizabeth's, Reddish, on Saturday, October 18th. Bells available at 5 , meeting at 7 . - W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District. --The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bletchingley on Saturday, October 18th, 19I3. Bells available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.45 p.m. at the White Hart Hotel. - Henry F. Ewins, Honorary District Secretary, Duncton, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Leyland Parish Church on October 18th. Bells available from 3 p.m. - E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.-A meeting will be held on October 18th at Sawbridgeworth, when the bells will be open during the afternoon and evening. Tea will be provided at the King William IV at $5 \cdot 30$, members 6d.; others 8d., business meeting after. All members and friends will be made welcome. Those requiring tea kindly notify me a few days before.-W. H. Lawrence, District Secretary, Little Munden.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.The next practice will take place at St. Sepulchres, Holborn, on Thursday, October 23 rd. Meet at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Badsey on Saturday, October 25 th. Service in the church at 5 p.m., meeting to follow. Tea provided for those only who send me their names not later than Tuesday, October 2 rst. Bells available at 3 p.m. - J. Hemming, Branch Secretary, io, Church Bank, Hampton, Evesham.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham District.-The annual meeting will be held at Crayford, on Saturday, October 25th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Divine service (Association form) at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., with address by the Rev. Gustavus Jones (Rector). Tea in St. Paulinus Hall, at 6.15 p.m., admission by ticket only, to those who send their names to me, not later than first post, Tuesday, October 21 st. Business meeting to follow.-T. Groombridge, Honorary District Secretary, 34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.-Established 1755.-Quarterly meeting will be held at Handsworth, Saturday, October 25th. Bells available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at St. Mary's Refreshment Rooms 5.30 , 8d. per head, followed by business meeting. -A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, II, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Southam on Saturday, October ${ }^{25}$ th. Bells (8) available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Committee meeting 4.30 p.m. Tea can be arranged provided members let me know by October 2oth. Business meeting after tea. A good meeting is desired.-Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.

WILLIAM VERRY COMMEMORATION DINNER will be held at the Queen's Head Hotel, Soho Road, Handsworth, on Saturday, November rst. Further details later.
WARFIELD, BERKS.-The new peal of 8 bells at St. Michael's Church, Warfield, Berks, will be open for ringing on Saturday, November ist, at 3 p.m., by kind permission of the Vicar and churchwardens. All ringers wel-come.-H. Bungay, Forest Road, Binfield.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). The 276th anniversary dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on November 8th, at 6.30 pm . Tickets, 4s. each, may be obtained of Messrs. J. Akehurst, J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies, T. Faulkner, G. R. Fardon, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, E. Horrex, A. Hughes, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, E. P. O'Meara, A. B. Peck, G. N. Price, W. Prime, G. W. Wild, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, or W. T. Cockerill, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. Towers open for ringing: Southwark Cathedral 4 to 5, and St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, 4 to 6 p.m.

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First rung at Lewisham, October 4th, 1913.

## A RINGER'S WEDDING.

On Saturday, the marriage of Mr. Stedman H. Symonds, of Lavenham, to Miss E. Poulson, took place at Lavenham Parish Church. The service was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. W. B. L. Hopkine. Mr. Symonds was supported by another local ringer, Mr. W. R. J. Poulson, as best man. Mr. Symonds, like his father, is well known to ringers in the county of Suffolk, having stood in 50 peals, conducting 45. As a mark of appreciation of the bridegroom's services in the belfry, the organist was present to play the wedding march, and the bells were rung by this fellow ringers, several of whom had to obtain time off to take part. Again in the evening the bells were rung in honour of the occasion.
The methods rung at the wedding, and in the evening, were 630 Grandsire, and 1152 Kent Treble Bob respectively, by: A. Symonds, $W$. Dent, F. Parker, J. Noore, G. Lambert, T. Garrard, T. Pryke, W. Fayers.
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The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two no. *ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recontly carried cut by you las proved most successful, and given Qneral eatisfaction.

1 sm authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to Vinfe. we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,

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## MODERN WORK.

## WHAT'S IN A NAME!

The peal of Surlieet Treble Bob Caters, claimed as the first peal of Treble Bob Caters ever rung, has raised an interesting discussion, and Mr. J. A. Trollope, in his letter this week, touches an important point, which it will be well to have authoritatively settled. It is this, is the name, or the thing itself that which is the most important? When in the early days of ringing men rang changes on nine bells with the tenor covering they called the method Caters. or, as it was sometimes recorded, Quators, because, it is assumed, four pairs of bells were changed in as many rows as possible in a method, and the word itself is, as Mr. Trollope points out, supposed to be a corruption of the French word for the numeral four

In these days of advanced knowledge it is now sought to apply the term as stringently as possible, and to say that no method, unless it fulfils the condition of changing four pairs of bells in each row can be accounted "Caters." In the interval peals have been rung which do not come up to the modern interpretation of the term, but which, because they were rung on nine bells with the tenor covering, were called Caters, and, as such. have been accepted by ringers. The point at issue is whether every method on nine bells, whether legitimate or illegitimate, in which the tenor covers, should be called Caters. Tradition dies hard, and among those who have accepted the records of history it will be difficult to disestablish the belief that peals on nine bells, whatever the construction of the method, are Caters.

But on the other hand, there is much to be said for the argument that, because in the past methods have been rung, and, as it were, misnamed, there is no reason why the matter should not be put right now. We like to believe that everything in connection with our Art is progressing. On the practical side immense advance has been made in the quality of the methods rung, and in the same way there are those who desire to see the theoretical side put upon a firm and logical basis; to let in the light and do away with the old misconceptions.

Ringers, however, would like to know exactly where ther are, and if one class of method, hitherto accepted under the name given it when it was rung, is to be written off as misnamed, then, we think, it is time that all old peals, of which records exist, and which fall short of present day theories should receive the same treatment. But here comes the difficulty! Who is to say what shall stand, and what go by the board? Who will have the temerity to fix the standard? The Central Council has an expert committee upon methods, but over the Treble Bob Caters we find that the two of their number who have expressed an opinion have taken opposite views. And when experts disagree who is to decide?


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Dear Sira,
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## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Tuesday, October 7, 1913, in Threc Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;
Tenor 36 cwt ., in C.
Frederick Dickens
Albert Walker
...Treble | James George

| George F. Sifann | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Alf Paddon Smith | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Arthur Chambers | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Samoel Grove | ... |

... 2
James H. Sifepherd
8 Arthur Chambers ... ... 4 Samoel Grove ... ... io William Short ... ... 5 James E. Groves ... ... il Thomas H. Reeves $\begin{array}{llll}\text { James E. Groves ... } & \text {.... II } \\ \text { John Neal } & \text {... } & . . & \text {...Tenor }\end{array}$ John Neal Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by James E. Groves.
Rung to commemorate the complete restoration o the exterior of the church, tower and spire, and the reconstruction of the clock; also as a centenary commemoration of the first peal of Stedman Cinques, which was rung at St. Martin-in-the-Fields on Oct. 6th, 18I3. The conductor's 50th peal of Stedman Cinques.

## LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Three Hows and Fifty Minutes, At St. Saviour's Cathedral, Southwark,
a peal of stedman cinques, 5007 CHANCES;
Tenor 50 cwt.
William J. Nudds ... ...Treble Retben Sanders ... ... 7 Alfred W. Grimes ... ... 2 Thos. Groombridge, Junr. 8 John H. Cleeesman ... ... 3 Keith Hart ... ... ... 9 George R. Yye... ... ... 4 William Pye ... ... .. io Isaac G. Shade... ... ... 5 Ernest Pye ... ... ... if Charles T. Coles ... ... 6 Thos. Groombridge, Sent. Tenor

Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by William Pye.

## TEN BELL PEALS

NORTHAMPTON
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 11. 1913, in Three Honrs and Tuenty-three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Giles,
a Pbal of stedman caters, 5055 chances ;
Tenor 25 cwt.

- Walter Perkins ... ...Treble | Alfred H. Martin ... 6

Herbert Rainbow ... ... 2 Fred Hopper ... ... ... 7
William Farey ... ... 3 •位id J. Nichols ... ... 8
*Edward Chapman ... ... 4 Fred Wilford... ... ... 9
-James Garrett ... ... 5 Elijah James ... ... ...Tenor
Composed by Cornelids Charge, and Conducted by F. Wilford.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. Also first peal of Stedman Caters by all resident members of the Association. Rung on the occasion of the Harvest Festival.


## STOCKPORT

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Tuenty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. George, Heaviley,

## A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 30 cwt .
Rev. A. T. Beeston ...Treble Edwin H. Lewis ... ... 6 - William Jackson ..... $.2^{2}$-§Harold Jackson... †Hiram Meakin... ... ... 3 †George D. Warborton 8 fWilliam Bibby... ... ... 4 J. Thomas Botirill ... 9 †Tom Wilde $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 5$ Harry Chapman ... ...Tenor Composed by the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson, and Conducted by E. H. Lewis.

- First peal of Plain Bob. †First peal of Bob Royal. $\ddagger$ First peal on ten bells. § First peal of Royal. First peal of Bob Royal as conductor. Rung on the eve of the Harvest Festival. First peal of Bob Royal on the bells.


## LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS
.On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-onc Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Dunstan, Stepney,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANGES;

Tenor 3I cwt., in D.


## Composed by Henry Haley, and

Conducted by Henry Springall.

## BRISTOL.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Monday, October 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At Christ Chorch (City).,

## a PEAL DF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt .
Fred G. May ... ... ...Tveble |*William J. Probert ... 6

- William G. Nipper ... 2 Henry B. Burt ... ... 7

Albert Stowell ... ... 3 Gilbert Wiltshire ... 8
${ }^{4}$ Francis W. Nipper ... 4 Isaac Long ...... Alfred E. Reeves... ... 5 Uriah Braven ... ... ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by Fred G. May.

* First peal of Caters.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY.
On Wednesday, Uctober 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thorstans' Four-Part.
Edgar Pemberton ... ...Treble
William Motts Rev. William C. Pearson 3 Robert H. Brendle... ...

Tenor 5 53 ${ }^{3} \mathrm{cw}$., in F .
William F. Catchpole 5 Charles A. Catchpole... 6 James Motts ... ... ... 7 William P. Garrett ...Tenor Conducted by James Motts.

FOXEARTH, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, October 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,

## A PEAL Of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5094 CHANCES;

Sidney Gridley... ... ...Tyeble Thomas Chinery ... ... 2 Arthur Taylor .... 5 Walter P. Gridley |  | $\ldots$. | 2 | Arthur taylor | ... | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Frederick Inch ... ... 4 Samuel Evans ... .... enenor $^{\text {and }}$

Composed by H. Rostron., and
Conducted by Samoel Evans.

## ROTHERHAM.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, October 6. 1913, in Thsee Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of St. Stephen, Eastwood,

## A PEAL OF ST, CLEMENT'S TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c} w$ t.

$$
\text { Joseph Atkin } \cdots \cdots \cdots \cdots \text {...Troble Arthur Hagoe } \ldots \text {... } 5
$$

$$
\begin{array}{lll|lll}
\text { Miss Winifred M. Hagoe } & 2 & \text { Clement Glenn } & \ldots & \cdots & 5 \\
\text { John H. Brothweli } & \ldots & 3 & \text { Thomas Colin Ryder } & \ldots & 7
\end{array}
$$

 Conducted by Clement Glenn.

* First peal. First peal in the method by all the band, by the Association, and in the county. Rung to celebrate the third annirersary of the dedication of the tower, spire and bells, which occurred ion October 3rd.


## FOXEARTH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, October 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,
At the Chupch of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF KENT treble bob major, 5088 changes;

| Sidney Gridley ... ... ...Treble | G. Bernard Ward... |
| :---: | :---: |
| Thomas Chinery ... ... 2 | Arther Taylor ... |
| John Lee ... ... ... .. | Arthur Maxim |
| Frederick Inch ... ... ... | Samoel Evans... ... ...Tenor |
| Composed by J | Thorpe, and |
| Conducted by S | Samoel Evans. |
| BOLSOVER, | DERBYSHIRE. |
| THE MIDLAND COUN | TIES ASSOCIATION. |
| Tuesday, October 7, 1913, in T At the Chorch of SS. | wo Hours and Fifty-rine Minutes, Mary and Lawrence, |
| A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRI | SE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; |
| Albert V. Moore ... ...Treble | Thomas Riley ... ... ... |
| William Lambert ... ... 2 | -Cornelius Charge... ... |
| Charles Mason ... ... 3 | George W. Bemrose |
| Jesse J. Moss ... ... | John Flint ... ... ...Tenor |

Composed by Arthur Craven, and Conducted by Johy Flint.

* First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the marriage of Mr. W. Robinson, of Towcester, and Miss N. Watson, which took place at Northants on Oct. 6th.


## ALDERMASTON, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (Reading Branch.)
On Wednesday, October 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE ;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Tenor mo cwt.
Frank Hopgood ... ...Treble Albert E. Reeves ... ... 5
Miss Ethel Goodship ... 2 "Charles Pullen ... ... 6
-Gilbert Goodship ... ... 3 Rev. Cyril Jenkyn ... 7
Ambrose Osborne ... ... 4 *Rev. Hubert Bowen ... Tenol Conducted by Rev. Cyril Jenkyn.
-First peal.
PERRY BARR, STAFFORDSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Wednesday, October 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 13 cwt .


First peal of Triples as conductor. This composition is No. 32.

## LONDON

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wedncsday, October 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road,

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

Tenor 20 cwt .
Edward Grimes ... ... ...Tieble J. Armiger Trollope ... 5 Frank Bennett ... ... ... 2 Frank Hairs ... ... ... 6 Alfred W. Grimes ... ... 3 "Maurice Hibbert ... ... 7 Alfred B. Peck... ... ... 4 James E. Davis ... ...Tenor Composed by C. Middleton, and
Conducted by James E. Davis.
*First peal in the method and elected a member previous to starting.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, October 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5312 CHAMGES;
Tenor I2lat cwt.
$\begin{array}{cccccccc}\text { *Richard Forster } & \ldots . & \text {...Treble } & \text { Charles E. Boyers } & \text {.. } & 5 \\ \text { Edwin H. Lewis } & \ldots & \ldots . & 2 & \text { Frank Gleave... } & \text {... } & . . & 6\end{array}$

 Composed by J. A. Trollope, and

Conducted by W. Bibby.

- First peal. †First peal of Major. First peal as conductor and first attempt. First peal in the method on the bells, and first peal on the eight bells by a band resident in the parish. Rung for the Harvest Festival, and the second anniversary of the dedication of the two treble bells.


## GRIMSBY

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Northern Branch.)
On Thursday, October 9, 1913, in Three Howrs and One Minute, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Changes;

Parker's One-Part.

* Albert Spencer ... ...Treble
*Herbert J. Mingay
$\dagger$ Thomas H. Parkin
Richard Oliver … 3
Richard Oliver
Conduc 4

Tenor 153 cwt.
*First peal. $\dagger$ First peal away from. Seamer. Messrs. Parkin and Oliver hail from Scunthorpe. Rung as a birthday compliment to $H$. J. Mingay

EYNSFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, October 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,
a peal of stedman triples, 5040 changes;
Therstans' Four-Part.

John Wheadon ... ...Treble Robert Brett-Smith ... 5 | Edin Barnett, Senr.... | 2 | Redben Baldwin $\ldots . . .$. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alfred G. Bennington | 3 | Thomas Groombridge, Senr. | 7 |

| Alfred G. Bennington | 3 | Thomas Groombridge, Sent. 7 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| -Albert C. Newick | $\ldots$ | 4 | - Stanley Mason ... | Conducted by Thos. Groombridge, Senr.

- First peal of Stedman. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

KEIGHLEY, YORKS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

 Tenor 14 cwt .Robert W. Jennison
.Treble $\mid$ John Hall
Herbert Green
Edwin Green
Thomas Baycroft Smith Morgat inan ... ... John McKell Composed by N. J. Pisstow, and
Conducted by J. McKell.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MARTIN'S SOCIETY, LEICESTER On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas,
a Peal of superlative surprise major, 5088 Changes; Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { George Cleal } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots \text { Treble } & \text { Samuel Cotton } & \ldots & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { Arthur S. Petiit } & \ldots & \ldots . & 2 & \text { Ernest Morris } & \ldots & \ldots & 6 \\ \text { Louis E. Allen... } & \ldots & \ldots & 3 & \text { Josiah Morris... } & \ldots & \ldots & 7\end{array}$


Percy C. Long $. . . \quad . .5$ $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Alonzo W. Leang } & \cdots & \cdots & 6 \\ \text { John W. Seamer } & \cdots & \cdots & 7\end{array}$ Frederick T. Howden ...Tenor

## H

He
ohn H. Swinfield ... ...Treble
William W Wi........ 2 Albert P. Wakley ... 6 Herbert . Worithington 3 Algernon P. G. Stone 7 Conducted by albert P. Wakley.
This peal, the first on the bells, was rung on the occasion of the Harvest Festival.

## CHIDDINGSTONE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven-and-a-half Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUble norwich court bob major, 5056 Changes; Tenor 19률 cwt .

| George Edwards ... ...Treble | Eric G. Filtness |
| :---: | :---: |
| Frank Bennett... ... ... 2 ' | Isame Emery |
| Edwin F. Pike | George H. Daynes |
| Frederick W. Richardson | William J. Jeffries | | Edwin F. Pike ... ... ... | 3 | George H. Daynes | $\ldots$ | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frederick W. Richardson | 4 | William J. Jefrries | $\ldots$ |  | Composed and Conducted by Frank Bennett.

F. Bennett's 800 th peal and 400 th as conductor. First peal of Double Norwich on the bells.

## SHIPLEY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Five Minutes,
At tee Parise Ceupce,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGE ;
Tenor 15 cwt .
James Cotterell ... ...Treble William Waland ... ... 5
Benjamin Emmett ..... $.2^{2}$ William Joyce $\ldots .$.
*Frank S. Hodgson..... .3 Thomas B. Kendall $\quad 3$... 7

| Jonas S. Ambler | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 4 | Fred Salmons ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| ... $T_{e n}$ |  |  |  |  |  |

Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by James Cotterell.

* First peal of Treble Bob. Arranged for Mr. Hodgson, of Whitby, who is spending his holiday in the Halifax district.


## BLAGDON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Thiee Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE T!IPLES, 5040 Changes;

A Variation of Hollis' Five-Part. Tenor ig cwt.

| *Ernest Chivers | $\ldots$ | .. Treble | Walter Farley | $\ldots$ | .. | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| †Gordon Standen | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Thomas E. Francis | $\ldots$ | 6 |
| A. M. G. Daniell... | $\ldots$ | 3 | Gabriel Chamberlain | $\ldots$ | 7 |  | | A. M. G. Daniell... | $\ldots$ | 3 | Gabriel Chamberlain | $\ldots$ | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Harry J. Trim | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Samuel J. Hector... | $\ldots$ | * First peal and first attempt. $\dagger$ First peal of Triples.

BOSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-onc Minutes.
At the Church of St. Botolph,
a Peal of stedman triples, 5040 chances;
Sir Arthur Heywood's Variation of Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 28 cwt .
The Rev, H. Law James...Treble | Clemient Glenn ... ... 5 Rupert Richardson ... ... 2 John T. Holmes ... ... 6 Fred W. Stokes ... ... 3 William Dickinson ... 7 Sidney J. Palmer ... ... 4 George Ladd ... ... ... Tenor

Conducted by the Rev. H. Law James.
This is the first peal of Ste:Iman on the bells, and the first under the present most difficult conditions. Hereford is nothing to Boston..

\begin{abstract}
CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE. the midland counties association.
(Sheffield District Society.) On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Eightecn Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints, A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGEE;

## Tenor $24 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.



## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Bell Foundry Tower,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 Changes;
Lindoff's Ten-Part. Tenor 64 cwt .


Rung as a birthday compliment to Percy Greenway, nephew of the ringer of the $4^{\text {th }}$. Messrs. E. H. Clarke, Fletcher and Freebrey hail from Derby, the others are local men.

## JESMOND, NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE. <br> THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, At the Church of St. George,
A PEAL OF DOUble nORWICH COURT bOb MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. $24 \mathrm{lbs} .$, in F.

| hor Payne ... ... ...Treble | Alfred F. Hillier |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Benjamin C. Dixon |
| Joseph E. R. Keen ... ... 3 | William H. Barber |
|  |  |

 Composed by J. W. Parker, and Conducted by E. E. Ferry. This composition is now rung for the first time.

## COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Sunday, October 12, 1913, in Three Hours,
At rhe Parish Church,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Samolel Pearce ... ... ...Treble $\mid$ Benjamin Godgh ... ... 5 John W. Jones ...... Thomas Hughes... ...... .3 3 Horace Belcher $\quad . .$. Samuel Baker ... ......

Composed by Frank Bennett, and Conducted by William Fisher.
Arranged specially for Mr. J. W. Jones, of Newport, Mon., who av as visiting the neighbourbood.

## WARNHAM, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, October 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;


(Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conduated by Oliver Sippetts.

## LONDON

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, Oitober 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-Ihree Minutes, At Christ Church, Cubitt Town, E,
a peal of double norwich court bob major, 5040 changes ; Tenor 12 cwt .
Harold W. Clark ... ...Treble Isaac G. Shade ... ... 5 George H. Daynes ... ... 2 Alfred W. Grimes ... 6 Reginald Brough ..... $.5 \quad 3$ Edwin Barnett, Sent. ... 7 Arthur J. Neale ... ... 4 Reuben Sanders ... ...Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Edwin Barnett, Senr.
First peal in the method on the bells. R. Sanders has now rung each of these bells to a peal.

## SIX $\mathbb{C}^{\circ}$ FIVE BELL PEALS.

WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(Halesworth District.)
On Monday, September 29, 1913, in Tro Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL DF GINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being 720 each of Canterbury and Kent Treble Bob, three 720's of Oxford, and two 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt.
William Pierce... ... ...Tyeble George Easthadgh Frederick C. Lambert ... 2 John Larter ... ... Arthur H . Took...$\quad$... 3 Frederick W. Watling $\operatorname{Tenor}$ Conducted by F. W. Wating.
Rung to celebrate the Festival of St. Michael and All Angels.

## WISSETT, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(Halesworth Society.)
On Monday, Octob: : 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being one 720 of Canterbury Minor, and two 720 's each of Kent, Oxford, and Plain Bob Minor. Tenor io cwt.
Whlidam Pierce ... ... ...Treble James Spalding

Fredk. C. Lambert |  | ... | $\ldots .$. | 2 | James Spalding | .. | ... | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Arthur H . Took ...... Conducted by F. W. Watling.

TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, October 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Cherch of All Saints,
A PEAL DF SURPRISE BINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Full, Bourne, York, Durham, Cambridge, Neatherseale and Norwich. Tenor 20 cwt.

Clarence Gooch ... ...Treble George Snelling ... ... 4 | Fred Seager | ... | .. | .. | 2 | Fred Manser ... | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| .... | 4 |  |  |  |  |  | Bertie F. Turner ..... .3 J John Snelling...... Conducted by B. F. Turner.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORIVICH DIOC'ESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurslay, October 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five ,1/inutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF : INORS, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and three; ;20's of Plain Bob. Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
John Spencer ... ... ...Treble Albert J. L. Naunion... Albert J. Naunton ..... $.2^{2}$ William C. Doffield... 5 William H. P Mellin... 3 Francis W. Naunton ...Tenor Conducted by Francis IV. Nadenton.
Arranged and rung as a farewell peal to Mr. F. F. Rootham, who has been churchwarden at the above church for 20 years, and has now left the parish for Cambridge. The band wish him every happiness in his new home. W. C. Duffield hails from Tasburgh, Norfolk.

## CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Leonard,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGE ;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single, and Plain Bob. Tenor 12d cwt.
William Shilvock ... ...Treble | John Bass... ... ... ... 4 William Short ... ... ... 2 Joseph Piggott ... ... 5 Thomas J. Salter ... ... 3 Robert Matthews... ...Tenor Conducted by William Short.
Rung with the bells balf-muffled as a last token of respect to one of the old ringers, G. Workman, who was buried the same afternoon.

WHORLTON-IN-CLEVELAND.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;
Tenor $9^{\frac{7}{2}} \mathrm{cwt}$.
J. H. Blakiston ... ...Treble Rev. R. L. B. Oliver ... 4
 R. Mossom ... ... ... ... 3 | E. Milborn ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by E. Milburn.

## WARIKTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-siz Minutes, At tee Church of St. Edmond,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Eight Six-scores each of St. Simon's, Plain Bob and Canterbury, and y8 Six-scores of Grandsire. Tenor 9 cwt .
George H. Patrick ... ...Treble Charles Cooper ... ... 3 Mathias Hobbs ... ... 2 Frederick Kilborn ... 4 Robert G. Black ... ... Tenor Conducted by Mathias Hobss.

## FOXTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

 THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (The Kibworth Society.)On Saturday, Octobor 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 040 CHANCES:

In three methods, viz. : Two 720's of Oxford Bob, two of Grandsire, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor I4 cwt.
Edmund Leach ... ... ...T Treble William N. Adkinson ... 4 John Waterfield $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ *Dick Iliffe $\quad . .$. Harry J. Cotler ... ... 3 Fred Staniforth ... ...Tenor Conducted by Fred Staniforth.

* First peal of Minor with a bob bell. First peal of Minor in three methods by all except D. Iliffe and F. Staniforth.
SHREWSBURY, SHROPSHIRE.
ST. CHAD'S. SOCIETY.
On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Michael,


## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAHGE :

Being 720 each of Double Court, Plain Bob Minor, Grandsire Minor, and four 720's of Kent Treble Bob Minor.


Conducted by C. R. Lilley.
The bells were muffled as a token of respect to the late $G$. Tipton, who was a ringer of the above Society.

WARBLETON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sunday, October 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;
Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor ro cwt. I qr
John Brett... ... ... ...Tycble William H. James ... 4 Albert Reed ... ... ... 2 Wilfred Booth ... ... 5 Herbert Rann ... ... ... 3 | Robert J. Dawe ... ...TehoyConducted by Robert J. Dawe.
Rung on the occasion of the Harvest Festival, and as a compliment to Wilfred Booth, John Brett and Alfred J. Turner (Lewes), whose: birthdays are on Oct. Ioth, inth and 12 th respectively. First peal of Minor on the bells.

## ARLEY KINGS, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSGCIATION.
On Sunday, October 12, 1913, in Tivo Hours and Thirty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Bartholomew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES:

Being 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent:
Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
Tenor 9 cwt.
Charles H. Woodberry Treble William Short ... ... 4
Robert Matthews ... ... 2 James Reynolds ... ... 5
Thomas J. Salter ... ... 3 William Page... ... ...Tenor Conducted by R. Matthews.

EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE,
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, October 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-sevcn Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Single Oxforã Bob, Single Court, Double Court, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
John Neal ... ... ... ...Tycble | Arthưr I. Holmes... ... 4
Albert S. Allen ... ... 2 *Walter H. Woons ... 5 John W. Lake ... ... ... 3 . 3 Rupert A. Richardson... TenarConducted by W. Lake.

* First peal in seven methods. Quickest peal on the bells

CORRECTED PEAL.
MONKEN HADLEY, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, September 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-sight Minutes, At the Chureh of St Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;
42 Six-scores. Tenor II cwt.
W. Parker ... ... ... ...Treble G. Varney
W. Danitis .... 2 J........ 4

Conducted by W. Daniels.
First peal by all the band.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, October 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-four Minutes;, At i29, Bronswick Street, Haggerston,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;
Thurstans" Four-Part.
William D. James ... ... I - 2 Ernest Pye ... ..... .5 5-6.
Geqrge R. Pye ... ... 3-4 Alfred W. Grimes ... 7-\&:
Conducted: by Ernest Pye.
Umpire: C. T. Coles.

## LONDON

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, October 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes, At i29, Brunswick Street, Haggerston,

## a PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 Changes;

| Bertram Pri | TT ... ... 1 - 2 | George R. Pye .. | 7-8 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William Pye | .. ... ... 3 -4 | James'Hunt . | 9-10 |
| Ernest Pye | ... ... ... 5-6 | Alfred W. Grime | II-12 |
|  | Composed by Conducted b | Carter, and illiam Pye. |  |
|  | Umpires : J. E. | s and J. Barry. |  |

The peal rung at Ranmoor, Sheffield, on October 4 th, was Double Norwich Court Bob Major; not Superlative Surprise as reported in our last issue.

## TREBLE BOB CATERS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, -Mr. Glenn and Mr. James seem to think that a Cater method must have four pairs of bells changing in every row, the reason being, I suppose, because the word Cater is a corruption of the French worit for four. That is a very dangerous argument. It makes the name of the thing of more impartance than the thing itself, and if it is true, then more than half the peals of Grandsire and Stedman Caters rung are not Caters at all, for they contain Triple Changes.
Further, if you insistion this for nine bells you must insist on it all round. I can understand the position that men like the Rev. C. D. P. Davies take up. They say that you must always change the maximum number of pairs of bells; that on seven bells you must always have tripl. changes; on eight alternate triple and cater; on nine always cater; on ten alternate cater and cinque. And so on. That is a logical position to take up, but it is as well to understand what it means. It means that no one has, or ever will, ring a peal of Grandsire or Stedman Triples; that Kent, London, Bristol, Cambridge, New Gloncester, etc., are not legitimate; that more than half the peals of Bob Major, Double Norwich, Double Oxford, Duffield, etc., ought not $t 0$ be rung. Mr. James would not go so far as this, but that is the logical result of his statement; and, if he is right as far as he does go, then no peal of Caters was rung at Surfleet.

Tho truth is that Caters js a general name generally applied to cvery nine-bell method, and no one has any right to restrict it. The Birmingham men were correct when they called what they rang Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Caters, just as it is correct to speak of Bob Triples and New Bob. Triples. Of course, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Caters are not legitimate, but that is another story. - Yours truly
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

Dear Sir,-I note the Rev. H. Law James does not agree that the two peals rung in Jirmingham in 1817 and 1848 were "Caters," but that does not alter the fact. The changes were rung on nine bells, with the tenor covering, and if they are not "Caters," perhaps Mr. James will be good enough to say what, in his opinion, they are.

It must, be remembered that these peals were rung, and regarded as peals of Treble Bob Caters for generations before the Central Council came into being, or "The Glossary" was even thought of.
For myself, $\bar{I}$ am quite content to pin my faith to the sound judgment of two such giants in the art as the late Thomas Thurstans and Fenry Johnson, and to say that the method which they knew and rang as Treble Bob Caters, will always be Treble Bob Caters to me. And I am not by any means alone in holding this opinion.
I might add that the late Jasper W. Snowdon also recognised and recorded the fact that the peal at St. Martin's, on January 7th, 1817, was the first peal of Treble Bob Caters ever rung (see "Ohurch Bells," November 3rd, 1877, page 579). - Yours faithfully,

A. PADDON SMITH.

Sir,-As the Rev. II. Law James is so particular in his assertion that Surfleet Caters was the first peal of Treble Bob Caters ever rung, while he wishes the secretary of the St. Martin's Guild for Birmingham to understand that their record peal did not entirely consist of Caters changes, may I remind him that he is inconsistent
The Surfleet Caters was not Treble Bob at all, inasmuch as a Treble Bob method means that the Treble should be bobbing about without any place making at all in the half treble leads. Does it in Surfleet Caters? Surely it would be more consistent for Mr. James to call his Caters by some other name than Treble Bob than to call into question records by our mighty forefathers, who had not brought definitions to such a pitch of exactitude as the various committees of the Central Conncil are endeavouring to do.-Yours truly, JOHN CARTER.

## THE OXFORD GUILD.

A combined practice was held on Saturday last at All Saints', Wokingham. Although the weather was very bad, 20 members wore pre sent, representing Hurst, Henley, Binfield, Fasthampstead, Wargrave, Sandhurst. and the local band. Touches of Grandsire and. Stedman Triples and Bob Major were rung.

## CLEVELAND AND N. YORKS ASSOCIATION.

 MTETTNG AT MIDDLEHAMYORKSITRE ASSOCIATION'S SCFEME DISCUSSED
The September meeting of the Gleveland and North Yorkshire Association proved a most enjoyable and successful function from every point of view. Middleham, the place of the meeting, is situated in Wensleydale, and is famous for both its ruined castle and its racehorse training establishments. It is reached from Leyburn Station on the North Eastern Railway between Northallerton and Hawes, which line runs through most delightful country. The view of the dale also from Middleham is very fine.
The meeting was well attended, the various towers in union with the Association being excellently represented, members attending from Middlesbrongh, Skelton, Marske, Ormesby, Pateley Bridge, Ripon, Darlington (St. John's, St. Cuthbert's and Holy Trinity), Hemingborough, Stockton, Sharow, Guisborough and Richmond. The bells of the Parish Church (8-tenor 18 ewts.) and East Witton (6-tenor 7 cwts.) were available for ringing all day, and many good touches were rung.
Both dinner and tea were provided at the Commercial Hotel, by invitation of the St. Alkelda's Guild, and these good friends have the satisfaction of knowing that their kindness was greatly appreciated, and that full justice was done to the splendid fare provided, upwards of 70 members accepting their kind invitation.
At the business meeting, which took place after tea, the President (the Rev. W. P. Wright) was supported by Dr. H. C. Pauli (vice-president), the Rector of Middleham (the Rev. H. Topham), the secretary (Mr. T. Metcalfe), and by eeveral members of the committee. Letters of apology for non-attendance were read from the Vicar of East Witton and from the Vicar of Aysgarth.-The President, on behalf of the Association, very warmly thanked the Rev. and Mrs. Topham, Dr. Pauli, and the members of St. Alkelda's Guild, for the kind and hearty reception given to the other members of the Association.-Mr. Topham responded, adding how glad he always was when the ringera came to Middleham, and hoping they would come again before very long.

The following new members were elected to the Association, xiz. Camon Palmer, Vicar of Sharow, hon. member; Mr. O. L. Routledge, President of the Durham and Newcastle Association; Mr. F. P. Cheet ham, Ilford, Essex; and Messre. T. Richmond, A. Gildard, Pateley Bridge, life members; and Messrs. S. Eastland, Middleham; R. Wallis, C. Frenchman and O. Cherry, Richmond; R. Hornby, and J. Neesam Thirsk; J. H. Bowes and A. Pybus. Sharow; A. Raynor, H. Priest, T Wardman, W. R. Lowson and G. B. Bourne, Scarborough, performing members.

AMALGAMATION WITH YORKS ASSOCIATION UNLIKELY. An item on the agenda, of peculiar interest to the members of the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association, had reference to the alterations proposed by the Yorkshire Association.-Mr. Wright explained very fully the object of the Yorkshire Association, and put the details before the members both from the Yorkshire and the Cleveland points of view. From the remarks made, however, it was soon clearly demonstrated that there was not much likelihood of the Cleveland Association being affiliated to the Yorkshire Association. A letter on this subject was also read from Mr. G. F. Alexander, Robin Hocd's Bay, a vioe-president of the Association.

After a good deal of discussion, in which it was shown how unfarourably the Yorkshire scheme was regarded-both by individuals and by the Association generally-it was ultimately decided that the following resolution be sent to the Yorkshire Association, viz.: "We request that in any reconstruction of the county consideration be given to the existence of the Cleveland Association, and that the No With a vote of thanks to the chair the meeting concluded.
A party had arranged to stay the week-end at Middleham, and from acoounts received they had a most enjoyable time.

## THE SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Western Division of the Sussex Associan tion was held at Shipley on Saturday week, and was well attended, members being present from Heene, Stevning, Billingehurst, Slinfold, Lindfield. Pulborough, West Tarring, and the local band, numbering 31. Included in the ringing done during the day were touches in four different Surprise methods. Tea, served in the Parish Room, was presided over by the Vicar (the Rev. A. G. Baker)--At the business meeting, which followed, two new members were elected. The Secretary proposed the usual vote of thanks to the chairman for presiding and granting the use of the bells, and the Vicar replied. He said he was pleased to give them all a welsome, and would be happy to defray $x^{2}$ part of the cost of the teas-an announcement that was receired with applause.-The tower was again visited afterwards.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

well-attended meeting of the Bolton branch was held at Leigh on Saturday last, 36 members being present from Woreley, Walkden, Newchurch, Hindley, and Bolton, with some of the local company. Some very good touclies of Stedman, Superlative and Treble Bob were rung. It was proposed that the next meeting be held at Doane.-At the close of the meeting a vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for the peg of the bells, aud to the ringers for laving all in readiness.

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## BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS.SOUTHWARK.

By J. R. Jerram.

Brayley, in his history of Surrey (on what authority it is difficult to decide) says that "in the time of Prior Werkeworth (A.D. 1424) there were seven bells respectively named Augustine, Maria, Stephen, Anna Maria, Lawrence, Vincent and Nicholas. Subsequently in the same year this prior caused other bells to be cast of greater weight, and added an eighth, and altered some of their

[Photo by F. E. Dawc.
names, which then ranged thus: St. Trinity, Mary, Augustine, St. Lawrence, Gabriel, All Saints, St. John the Evangelist, and Christ.'

The above record is somewhat puzzling. Of course the Hedication to " Anna Maria " is simply absurd: Possibly Anna Mariac" (i.c., " Anne, mother of the Virgin Mary "') may have been intended.

In Aubrey's time (circa 1700 ) there were eight bells; and he notes that the fourth was dated MCCCCXCIV, and that the fifth was inscribed :-
"' Consonat ecce pia campana vocata Maria
Quam Irior Henricus Wentworth sibi fecit amicam." In 1735 the old peal of eight was replaced by the present peal of twelve, cast by Samuel Knight, on St. Andrew's parish, Holborn. The weight of the old peal of eight was 155 cwt . i qr. 20 ll s. , and that of the new peal of twelve 215 cwt i qr. 9 lbs . The cost of recasting was $£ 627 \mathrm{I} 7 \mathrm{~s}$.

The three largest bells have since been recast. The inscriptions at the present time are as follows :-

Treble.
S†K†i735
Second.
$\mathrm{S} \dagger \mathrm{K} \dagger 1735$ Third.
SAMUEL KNIGHT FECIT ${ }^{1} 735$
Fourth.
$\mathrm{S} \dagger \mathrm{K} \dagger 1735$ Fifth.
MAY LOUE \& UNITY BE WITHOUT LIMITATION. S. KNIGHT FECIT. 1735 . Sixth.
THIS PEAL OF TWELEF BELL BEGUN TO BE CAST IN ANNO DOM: I734 \& COMPLEATED IN A.D. 1735 .

## Seventh. <br> SAMUEL KNIGHT FECIT. 1734. <br> Eighth.

IAMES \& ELIZABETH GARDNER. 1735.
SAMUEL KNIGHT PERFORM:D RIGHT WELL
WHEN HE RECAST ME DOWSABELL. Ninth.
IOHN KENT, THOs GARDNER, IOHN PILLON, HENRY FARMER, FRANCES HALL, CHARLES WARTON, CHURCHWARDENS. I735.

T'enth.
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Eleventh.
JOHN SMITH, BELL WARDEN ; WILLIARA DENBIGH, GREAT ACCOUNT; JAMES PARSLEY, GENERAL POOR; JOHN JEPSON, COLLEGE WAR' DEN; JAMES BEADMAN, N゙EWCOMENS; EDWARD SANDELL, YOUNG SPRATT \& JACFSON. T. MEARS OF LONDON FECIT. I8zo.

Tenor.
$A \dagger M \dagger D \dagger G-M E A R S$. \& . STAINBANK . REMADE. ME-AS.THE.GIFT.OF.RICHARD.WHITE - FOR. SOUTHWARK.CATHEDRAL, TO.COMMEMORATE. THE.HAPPY.REIGN.OF - †KING.EDIVARD.VII †ANNO: DOM : MDCCCCYI — †EDWARD.TALBOT. D.D.BISHOP $\dagger$ [above, round the shoulder] SAMUEL KNIGHT FECIT. I734.

The whole peal was rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank in Igr r , since which about a dozen peals have been accomplished. The old tenor, which was not a good bell, was recast at the same time, and now weighs 50 cwt . o qrs. 21 lbs., diameter 67 inches, Note B flat.

The old tenor, though commonly reputed to weigh 52 cwt., on being taken down was found to weigh 49 cwt. 3 qrs. o lbs. She was inscribed SAMUEL.KNIGHT. FECIT.I734. I.REA. WILLIAM.CLARK.IOHN KENT. ISAAC.IEMMETT.GEORGE.TREVILLION.IOSEPH. HYDE.IOHN.BAILMAN . CHURCHWARDENS . and had a number of ornaments between the words, consisting of fleur-de-lys, floriated sprays, etc.

## J. HOLMAN'S 150 PEALS.

Bob Major, 5; Grandsire Triples, 10, on handbells 1; Grandsire Major, 1: Caters, 1: Stedman Triples, 16; Caters, 17: Ginques, 14; Kent Treble Bob Major, 18; Royal, 8; Maximus, 6; Dcuble Norwich Major, 9 ; Caters, 2; Forward Major, 1; Norfolk, Surprise, 3; Superlative, 18; Cambridge, 1 ; New Cambridge, 3 ; Yorkshire, 1 ; London, 13 ; Bristol, 2; total, 150.

## ODD CHANGES.

The bells of St. Peter and St. Paul, Eckington, Derbyshire, having been retuned, and supplied with new fittings throughout, by J. Warner and Sons, Ltd., will be dedicated by the Bishop of Southwell on Sunday, October 26th, 1913, at morning service.

The ringing company at Great Yarmouth have lost one of their number, Mr. W. T. Blyth, by death, and on Tuesday of last week a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters was rung at St. Nicholas Church, as a last token of respect by A. Webber I, G. Clayton 2, A. Arnott 3, C. Harding 4, H. Hammonds 5, G. Orford 6, H. Wright 7, F. Pestell 8, D. Hayward (conductor) 9, W. Lee io. Mr. Blyth was for many years connected with the Great Yarmouth band, among the members of which he was highly respected. He was interred at Gorleston, where muffled touches were also rung.

The rededication of Caldicot (Monmouthshire) bells by the Bishop of Llandaff will take place on Saturday, November ist, at 3 o'clock. The bells will be opened by the local band, and will be available for ringing during the evening. Any ringer will be welcome.

There was a noteworthy performance at Bridgwater on Sunday, when $7^{20}$ Grandsire Minor was rung after the harvest festival service in the evening, the band including four young people who are still school children. The bells are a peal of 25 cwt., and the 720 was rung, with $7-8$ covering, in 29 minutes by C. V. Fry (aged 14) i, Ruth Coles (aged 12) 2, H. Leo Jennings (aged 15) 3, H. West (aged 18) 4, Cecil Sanderson (aged 14) 5, A. E. Coles (conductor) 6, E. Stockham 7, E. Tucker 8. It was the first 720 of Minor by all except the conductor.

The reference last week to the occasions on which ringers have rung their two first peals on the same day, leads Mr. C. F. Winney to recall the fact that when in this country in 1902, Mrs. Sherfield, or, as she then was, Miss Margaret H. Nichols, of Boston, U.S.A., took part in a handbell peal of Stedman Triples (rung in 2 hrs. 26 mins.), and, after tea the same day, rang Holt's Original on handbells in 2 hrs. 30 mins. These were both Miss Nichols' first peals in hand and probably the first two peals rung in hand on one day. The Stedman Triples was conducted by Mr. Winney and the Grandsire by Mr. G. N. Price.

Members of the St. Peter's Society, Sheffield, should note that the meeting at Norton arranged for to-morrow has been postponed.

There is to be a ringing tour in Surrey next week. It is being organised by Mr. W. H. Fussell, and those who are taking part anticipate a very pleasant time. The ringing will conclude at St. Peter's, Croydon, on the Saturday afternoon, and in the evening there is to be a social at the Greyhound Hotel, to which all ringers will be welcome. " Go " will be called at 7 p.m.

Mr. Frank Bennett this week records his 8ooth peal, and by a coincidence it was also the 400th he has conducted. The fact that these peals have been rung in 254 towers gives some idea of the amount of travelling which has been undertaken in connection with their performance. It is a
wonderful record, and we hope Mr. Bennett is a long way from the end yet.

Mr. Bennett " does" his districts very thoroughly in regard to ringing. Wherever he may be he loses no opportunity of ringing a peal in all the towers that are within reach, as, for example, Sussex, where he formerly resided, and in which county he has rung a peal on every ring of eight and ten bells, with the solitary exception, we believe, of one new octave, where opportunity has not yet presented itself.

The Rev. William Pearson, of Henley, Suffolk, sends us a copy of a unique peal board, which exists in Brandeston Church, Suffolk. It is, he says, the oldest record of a peal of Minor that he knows of, and adds: "I have not seen another with any of the methods written on the sides as this has. The board is quite flat, without mouldings round the edges, and each side terminates in a row of bells, one above the other. It is very quaint."

On February 2nd, 1749,
The Seven Peals underwritten were
rung hare (without intermission) in
2 hours and 55 minutes, and not a Bell
Francis' Genius 123456
214365
124635
216453
261543
625134
621543

## 265134

625314
263541
236514
325641
352461
534216
543261
452316
542136
451263
452136
541263
514623
156432
516342
153624
156342
146253
Rob
164235

## THE REV.E.S. POWELL'S REPLY TOMR.DAINS

Tir-I wo the Fditor
Stedman and Erin Tripl. Dains headed his answer to my lettol Stedman and Erin Triples? In the former, the number and arrangement of the singles, and the arrangement of the bobs can be varied indefinitely, and the bobs and singles are to a large extent independent. In Erin it is not so. Once you have the course ends and proof scale, the rest follows almost mechanically. Every possible peal on the plan under discussion could be turned out in a comparatively shor time.
Mr. Dains is evidently still thirsting for blocd, but I hope he will excuse my taking up his challenge. Whatever reference, if any, there was to him in my letter was perfectly general, and included no expression of opinion on the rights of the particular controversy in which he was engaged with Mr. Lindoff.

But as he puts a question to me, I also will ask him one thing (which it is true has beern asked already). In Vol. II, p. 323 of "The Ringing World "there appear four peals of 5040 Surprise Royal over the names of four very ablo composers who are presumably their authors. What does he think of Mr. C. H. Hattersley (or Mr. II. Dains) for taking peal No. 3 (or No. 4), starting the calling at the $11 / \mathrm{h}$ (or 5th) courso and claiming the peal as his own composition. Let me point out that no reference to 6048's of Major will meet the case. What I am asking from him is his explanation of the definite claim of the writers of the letter to the peals of Royal as they appear above their names.- Yours, etc.,

Holbeton Vicarage.
E. S. POWELL

## Chelmsford Cathedral.



The new ring of 12 bells (Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs.) for Chelmsford Cathedral was: dedicated by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans on Saturday, September 27th, 1913.

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WORCESTERSHIRE MEETING AT POWICK
On Saturday, the last quarterly meeting of the year for the western branch was held at Powick, near Worcester. Members began to arrive about 3 o'clock, and the bells were raised in peal. Service was held at 4 p.m., and was well attended.-The Rev. C. Hughes (Vicar) gave an excellent address, welcoming the members to church, and explaining the lessons which the bells gave to ringers.-Tea was kindly provided by the local ringers at the Red Lion Inn, and the business meeting followed, nearly every tower in the western branch being represented.

The Rev. C. Hughes, who presided, read a paper on the history of the church bells, which was much appreciated, and was followed with close interest. The quarterly peal was arranged to be attempted at Powick, with Mr. W. Page as conductor.-Areley Kings was selected for the next meeting, to take place on February 14th. - Three performing members were elected, and all the officers were re-appointed, though Mr. Page thought it quite time eomeone else should be Master
The Chairman, in acknowledging a vote of thanks, referred to the trouble the local secretary had taken in connection with the meeting, and also to the excellent arrangements made by the host, Mr. Rodgman. He remarked how pleased he was to see such well conducted houses, and added that in his younger days, it was considered questionable to see a parson enter a publichouse.-The Organist (Mr. Foster), who, by-the-way, was some years ago connected with the Worcester ringere, also replied, and the meeting closed
The bells were rung at every available opportunity, and the touches included Grandsire, Plain Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Stedman, Double Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford. The local ringers finished with a plain course of Grandsire, this being their limit at present.
The effect of the peal of six, with tenor 23 cwt ., in E flat, was grand, and, as one standing outside at the finish remarked, "The ghost of Abraham Rudhall could plainly be heard.'

## BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Castle Cary Deanery branch was held at Castle Cary, on Saturday last, when about 40 members were present representing Batcombe, Ditcheat, Bruton, West Lydford, Langport, Queen Camel, South Cadbury and Castle Cary. A short service was Iheld in the Parish Church, the Vicar, the Rev. H, E. Wake, officiating, and the Rev. Dr. Williame, of Minsterley, giving a very instructive address, pointing out that the office they held as ringers was a very ancient and important one, and that it was the duty of every good ringer, after calling his brothers and sisters to that place of worship, to set the example by attending it himself.

After the service, tea was partaken of in the Coancil Schools, and the ibusiness meeting followed. The Rev. H. E. Wake presided, supported by the Rev. Dr. Williams, Mr. W. Desh (ehurchwarden), Mr. T. G. Vincent, senr. (President of the branch), Mr. M. S. Welchman (West Lydford), and others.-One hon. member and several performing members were proposed.-Queen Camel was chosen as the next place of meeting, to be held in January. - A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for presiding at the meeting, also for the use of the bells; to the Rer. Dr. Williams for his address, and to the organist and choir for their services.-The Vicar responded, and hoped to have the pleasure of wolcoming the members at some future time.-The Rev. Dr. Williams also replied, and remarked that he was a perfect stranger amongst them, but he felt sure, if he was going to remain in Somerset, lie should soon make many friends. When asked by the Vicar to give an address to the ringers on that afternoon he was delighted to do so. It was the first time in his life he had had the privilege of addressing a party of bell ringers, but, it gave him some little jdea how bell ringing was carried on in Somerset, and he wished them every success in the good work they wore doing. This concluded the business. A move was then made to the tower, where touches of Minor and Doubles were brought found on the bells.

## THE RINGERS' PEW.

The enthusiasm of the roung band of ringers at St. Nicholas', Wallasey, is being well maintained, and a nicely struck 720 of Bob Minor for the harvest festival on Sunday evening, October 12th, did great credit to Mr. Newton's careful tuition. Nor was the call to worship given in vain. Some time before the bells came round, every available seat in the church was occupied, and several persons were left standing in the narthex. One disappointed viaitor, spying a pew at the back of the church, roped of and still empty, asked a churchwarden,
What is this seat for?" "That is the bellringers' seat", was the reply. "But surely," pursued the argumentative visitor," he doesn't fill up the whole seat, does he?"

## " SOULING."

The following, quoted from "Old English Sports," by the Rev. P. FI Ditchfield, is sent us by M.. B. G. Stilwell, of Yately: All-hallow Even, there were cakes called "Soul Mass cakes " or "Soul cakes," which were given to the poor. These were of triangular shape, and poor people in Staffordshire used to go a-souling, i.e., collecting these soul cakes, or anything else they could get. The church bells were rung all night' long for all Christian souls, and we find from some old account books that the good folk were very careful to have all their bell ropes and bells in good order for All-hallow Even. This ringing was supposed to benefit the souls of the dead in purgatory, and was suppressed :after the Reformation.

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## THE CHELMSFORD OPENING.

## T'o the Editor

Dear Sir,-May I ask why the committee of the Essex Association went outside the county to get twelve ringers for the opening ceremony of the Chelmsford bells. Surely, there are enough twelve bell $r$ ringers in the county for that purpose? It seems to me to be a kind of slur on those who were only too willing if they had been asked to take part in the ceremony.-Yours tiuly, Harwich.

ARTIHUR T. MORRTS.

## HARVEST FESTIVAL RINGING.

The following quarter-peals, etc., have been rung for harvest festival services:-

BIGGLESWADE, BEDS.-On Sunday, Sept. 21st, 720 Bob Minor, with 6-8 oovering: E. Trussey 1, F. Blood 2, H. Rowlett 3, E. Stratton 4, A. Pratt (conductor) 5, A. Franklin 6, C. A. Pratt 7, L. C. Franklin 8. After evening service, 720 Bob Minor: E. Hussey 1, L. C. Franklin 2, C. A. Pratt 3, E. Stratton 4, A. Pratt 5, A. Frauklin 6, F. Blood (conductor) 7, M. Spong 8.
LEISTON, SUTFFOTK.-On Sept. 24th, 672 Stedman Triples: J. M. Bailey 1, G. Wilson 2, A. F. Bailey 3, A. Keebile 4, E. S. Bailey 5, F. G. Thompson 6, C. F. Bailey 7, O. Sampson 8.-On Sunday, Sept. 28th, 672 Kent Treble Bob: E. S. Bailey 1, A. Keeble 2, A. F. Bailey 3, G. Hardy 4, C. Sampson 5, J. G. Rumsey 6, J. M. Bailey (oonductor) 7, G Wilson 8. For evening service, 1008 Stedman Triples: C. Sampson 1, G Wilson 2, A. F. Bailey 3, A. Keeble 4, E. S. Bailey 5, J. G. Rumsey 6, C. F. Bailey (oonductor) 7, P. G. Potter 8.

BATH.-At All Saints', Upper Weston, on Sept. 24th, 720 Bob Minor: F. C. Rich 1, T. Hogsflesh 2, A. E. Alexander 3, C. Goodenough 4, C Densley 5, R. J. Cousins (conductor) 6.

GRAVESEND.-On Sunday morning, Sept. 28th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: J. Erickson 1, R. Tall 2, C. Constant 3, A. Constant 4, J. Constant 5, A. Martin 6, R. Constant (conductor) 7, J. Avis 8.
'PADOASTER, YORKS-At St. Mary's Parish Church, on Sept. 28th, for evening service, a quarter-peai of Grandsire Triples: C. Swann 1, E. Lindley 2, J. W. Garbutt (conductor) 3, H. Blake 4, F. Poole 5, H. E. Pickering 6, F. Clayton 7, J. Bradley 8.

CHESTERFIELD.-At the Parish Church, on Sunday evening, Sept. 28th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, consisting of 1259 changes, was rung in 48 mins., by: Geo. Davies 1, A. Knights (composer) 2, F. Jacobs 3, W. Thyng 4, F. Davies 5, F. Stubbs (first quarter-peal) 6, Ben Knights , Geo. Hollis (conductor) 8, G. Thompson 9, Tom Gore 10.
PULBOROUGH, SUSSEX.-On Sunday, Sept. 28th, a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples: C. Greenficld 1, P. I. Doick 2, R: Wood 3, E. Goodsell 4, J. Burdfield 5, S. W. Corden (conductor) 6, A. B. Corden 7, H. J. Doick 8.
WEST HAM.-Essex Association.-At All Saints' Church, on Sunday, Sept. 28th, for morning service, 593 Grandsire Caters: Wr. Doran (conluctor) 1, A. Scambler 2, W. Truss 3, T. Cranfield 4, A. Neale 5, J. choles 6, E. Wigg 7, R. Sanders 8, H. Flanders 9, G. Haden 10. For rening service. 720 Grandsire Caters, conducted by T. Cranfield, with Potter, tenor.
BTRMTNGHAM.-On Sunday evening, Sept. 28th, at Bishop Ryder's Church, a quarter-peal of Bob Maior (rung for first time): S. Coley 1, T. Scrivens 2, G. A. Taylor 3, E. Large 4, J. T. Perry (conductor) 5, Porter 6, W. F. Webb 7, J.' B. Collett (composer) 8.
BROMITEY, KENT.-On October 1st, at SS. Peter and Paul's Church, 056 Bob Najor, in 40 mins.: *A. Newick, junr., 1, G. Durling 2, *E. Tigwell 3, *F. Herberts 4, A. James, senr., 5, A. Bygrare 6, I. Emery 7, Marslaall (conductor) 8. * Longest length in the method.-On Sunlay, October 5 th, after evensong, a 504 Stedman Triples, by: Issac Fmery 1, A. James, senr., 2, S. Marshall 3, A. Newiok, junr., 4, G. Ifuxley 5, A. Bygrave 6, G. Durling (conductor) 7, H. Elmer (of BoxFord, Suffolk) 8.
QUINTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.-The Worcestershire Association. On Saturday, Oct. 4th, a quarterepeal of Bob Minor: T. Sheppard 1, Middleton 2, J. Fampton 3, F. Jordan 4, Rev. C. C. Cox (conductor) J. Hemming 6.

BATH.-On Sunday, October 5th, at St. Andrew's Church, after evenserrice, 1260 Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins.: T. Hogsflesh 1, G. ill 2, C. Goodenough 3, F. C. Rich 4, A. E. Alexander 5, C. Densley 6, J. Cousins (composer and conductor) 7, I. P. Smith 8.

WEST BROMWICIF, STAFFS.-At All Saints' Church, on October at matins, 504 Stedman Triples, and two courses of Bob Major. ovensong, 768 Stedman Triples: T. Taylor 1, W. Peart 2, F. Bendall . Caddick 4, S. Woodhall 5, E. Pagett 6, A. Mills (eonductor) 7, Jones 8. After service, 210 Grandsire Triples, E. Pagett conductor. YORKTOWN.-On Sunday, Oct. 5th, for morning service, a quarteral of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: *H. Feasey 1, *F. Marchant 2, Boyles 3, G. Bunch 4, B. Hawkins 5, G. Buther 6, G. Miles (conduc) 7, J. Smith 8. * First quarter-peal.

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IMPORTANT. - Correspondents and others should note that in future all communications to "The Ringing World " should be addressed to 9, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.-Commencing October, meetings for practice of Caters and Royal will be held monthly at Hillingdon East on the first Tuesday at 7 p.m., and for Stedman and Major at St. Andrew's, Hillingdon. West, on the third Monday at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 23 rd ; St. John's, Hackney, on the 2ist; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 28 th ; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays; St. Magnus $7 \cdot 30$; the others at 8 p.m. - William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Blackburn Branch.-The next branch meeting will be held at Accrington on Saturday, October 18th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock, meeting 7 p.m. - John Watson, Branch Secretary.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Elloe Deaneries: Branch.--The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Donington on Saturday, October 18th, igi3. Dinner at the Peacock Inn at one o'clock. Tickets 2 s . 3d. each. Service in church at 3.30 p.m. - G. Ladd, Honorary Secretary, Pinchbeck, Spalding.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - The next quarterly meeting and six-bell contest will be held at Batley on Saturday, October i8th, 1913. Tenor II cwts. Draw for order of ringing at 3 p.m. - F. Salmons, 8, Salisbury Place, Halifax.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury District.-The next meeting will be held at Chilham on Saturday, October 18th. The tower will be opened at 3 p.m. Divine service at 5.15 p.m. Tea at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in: the Woolpack Inn, followed by short business meeting. The usual travelling allowances will be paid at this meet-ing.-E. Trendell, Honorary District Secretary, Boughton, Faversham.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Axbridge Deanery Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Blagdon on Saturday, October 18th. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5.15 in the Parish Room. Business meeting to follow. Bells available from 2 p.m. - J. Harris, Branch Secretary, Burnham.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824). - Southern Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Oct. 18th, at St. Mary's, Putney. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 7.45 p.m. Business meeting at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers and friends invited.-F. A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Stamford, on Saturday, October 18th. The bells of All Saints' (6), St. Martin's (6), St. Michael's (6), available afternoon and evening. Tea will be provided at the Crown Hotel at 5 p.m.; business meeting to follow. All ringers and friends cordially invited. -S. Proctor, Secretary, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at St. Elizabeth's, Reddish, on Saturday, October 18th. Bells avail--able at 5, meeting at 7 . - W. Wolstencroft, Branch . Secretary.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District. -The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bletchingley on Saturday, October 18th, igi3. Bells available at 3 p.m. Short service at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at $5.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at the White Hart Hotel. - Henry F. Ewins, Honorary District Secretary, Duncton, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Leyland Parish Church on October 18 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. - E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.-A meeting will be held on October 18th at Sawbridgeworth, when the bells will be open during the afternoon and evening. Tea will be provided at the King William IV at 5.3 o , members 6d. ; others 8d., business meeting after. All members and friends will be made welcome. Those requiring tea kindly notify me a few days before.-W. H. Lawrence, District Secretary, Little Munden.

ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. - The meeting of the above society at Norton on October 18th is postponed.-J. Evinson, 91, Clarence Street, Sheffield.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.The next practice will take place at St. Sepulchres, Holborn, on Thursday, October 23rd. Meet at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Badsey on Saturday, October 25 th. Service in the church at 5 p.m., meeting to follow. Tea provided for those only who send me their names not later than Tuesday, October 2 ist. Bells available at 3 p.m. - J. Hemming, Branch Secretary, io, Church Bank, Hampton, Evesham.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.--Lewisham District.-The annual meeting will be held at Crayford, on Saturday, October 25 th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Divine service (Association form) at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., with address by the Rev. Gustavus Jones (Rector). Tea in St. Paulinus Hall, at 6.15 p.m., admission by ticket only, to those who send their names to me, not later than first post, Tuesday, October 21 st. Business meeting to follow.-T. Groombridge, Honorary District Secretary, 34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.-Established 1755.-Quarterly meeting will be held at Handsworth, Saturday, October 25 th. Bells available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at St. Mary's Refreshment Rooms 5.30, 8d. per head, followed by business meeting. -A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, iI, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Southam on Saturday, October 25th. Beils (8) available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Committee meeting 4.30 p.m. Tea can be arranged provided members let me know by October 2oth. Business meeting after tea. A good meeting is desired.-Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.

CROYDON, SURREY.-To wind up the ringing week
in Surrey, arranged by W. H. Fussell, a social will be held on Saturday, October ${ }^{2} 5$ th, at 7 p.m., at the Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, to meet the visitors. All ringers who care to come will be welcome.-Cyril F. Johnston.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.The annual festival will be held at Durham on Saturday, October 25th, 1913. Committee meeting at 12 noon at the Three Tuns Hotel. Service at r p.m. in the Cathedral; address by the Very Rev. the Dean of Durham. Dinner at 2 p.m. at the Three Tuns Hotel. Those intending to be present at dinner please communicate before the 2 Ist inst. to R. Stephenson, Joint Honorary Secretary, 2, Cleveland Terrace, West Hartlepool.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. - Bridgwater Deanery Branch. -The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wembdon on Saturday, October 25 th. Bells available at 2 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea will be provided in the Church Room at 5 p.m.-W. G. Sellick, Branch Secretary.
BATHS AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Chew Deanery Branch. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wrington on Saturday, October 25 th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Tea at $5 \cdot 30$, business meeting to follow.-George Yeo, Honorary Local Secretary.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Luton District.-A meeting will be held at Flitton on Saturday, October 25 th. Bells available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. -A. King, Honorary Secretary, 6, Tavistock Crest, Luton.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Central Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Cuckfield on Saturday, November ist. Tower open 3 till 9. Service 5. Tea $5 \cdot 30$, by kind invitation of the Vicar. Will secretaries kindly oblige by letting me know by Tuesday, Oct. 28th, how many may be expected at tea from their respective towers?-A. D. Stone, Divisional Honorary Secretary, 29, Ashton Street, Brighton.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Newhey on Saturday, November ist. Bells ready at 3 o'clock, meeting at 6.30.-Joseph Ogden, Secretary, I35, Latts Street, Shaw, Oldham.
WILLIAM VERRY COMMEMORATION DINNER. -The gth annual dinner will be held at the Queen's Head Hotel, Soho Road, Handsworth, on November Ist, at $6.3^{\circ}$ p.m. sharp. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tickets may be had from Charles F. Starkey, Honorary Secretary, 79, Peel Street, Winson Green.

WARFIELD, BERKS.-The new peal of 8 bells at St. Michael's Church, Warfield, Berks, will be open for ringing on Saturday, November 1st, at 3 p.m., by kind permission of the Vicar and churchwardens. All ringers wel-come.-H. Bungay, Forest Road, Binfield.
ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, NORTHOWRAM, near Halifax.-On Saturday, November ist, a new peal of 8 bells (tenor 16 cwt .) by Gillett and Johnston will be duly opened. Ringers cordially invited. Bells available from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock for those who send in not later than Monday, October 27 th, to Mollinson Taylor, Honorary Secretary, Woodfield Cottage, Hipperholme, near Halifax.

RAYNE, ESSEX.-The new bell will be dedicated on November ist at 3 p.m. Preacher: Rev. J. H. Barrow, M.A., Precentor of Chelmsford Cathedral. The Rector will provide tea for ringers who give notice of attending not later than October 27th, 1913.-B. Ridgewell, Hon. Secretary, The Street, Rayne.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-The 276th anniversary dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on November 8 th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets, 4 s . each, may be obtained of Messrs. J. Akehurst, J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies, T. Faulkner, G. R. Fardon, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, E. Horrex, A. Hughes, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, E. P. O'Meara, A. B. Peck, G. N. Price, W. Prime, G. W. Wild, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, or W. T. Cockerill, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. Tower open for ringing : St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, 4 to 6 p.m.

CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.-Meetings for practice at the Cathedral will be held weekly on Thursdays, at $7 \cdot 30$, and on the last Saturday in each month, also at 7.30 p.m. Ringing on Sunclays will be for morning service io to in a.m. Evening service 6 to 7 p.m. All ringers will be heartily welcomed at any time.-H. F. Cooper, County Offices, Chelmsford.

ST. MARGARET'S, WESTMINSTER.-There will be no ringing at the above church until further notice. James E. Davis, Towerkeeper.

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MODERN WORK.

## DR. A. B. CARPENTER'S DEATH.

Men of the type of Dr. Arthur B. Carpenter, of Croydon, whose death the Exercise will deplore, are not so numerous that they can easily be spared. Dr. Carpenter will be much missed in many spheres of life. From his church and from his town those who have been in daily touch with him have to mourn a friend. The ringing Exercise has sustained a loss best appreciated by those who know the work which he did in his younger days, when a keen intellect, and more leisure than he was able to secure in recent years, enabled him to do a great amount of valuable work, at a time when investigation was beginning to show the greater possibilities of the science. From the pen of no less an authority than the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, we publish, in another column, a tribute to Dr. Carpenter's labours in a realm of composition which few others have sought to explore with anything like thoroughness.

In those matters to which he devoted his attention Dr. Carpenter never failed to establish himself in a place of eminence, and if to the younger generation of ringers Dr. Carpenter has to some extent receded from the public gaze, his work has been no less important. It was only the calls of other duties which prevented him occupying as conspicuous a place as once he did, but, as is remarked elsewhere. he never lost that keen interest in the affairs of the Surrey Association, which he acquired as honorary secretary of the organisation, and he followed its welfare and progress with the liveliest satisfaction. It was almost a child of his own, and it was a fitting compliment that when the office of Master was instituted about two years ago he should be installed as the first occupant.

No tribute to the work of Dr. Carpenter could be considered complete without a reference, however brief, to some phases of his work outside ringing. In his profession he had endeared himself to a large section of the community, and his eminence as a physician brought his serrices into demand in a sphere beyond the bounds of private practice. He had served his town in more than one public capacity, and the Church had a no more loyal and devoted son. He filled the office of the churchwarden of St. James' Church for many years, and the example of his life was one of practical Christianity.

It is not uninteresting to note that two such eminent men as Dr. Carpenter and his brother, the Rev. E. W. Carpenter, Rector of Boothby Pagnal, should both have devoted themselves with such success to the organisation of ringing associations. While Dr. Arthur Carpenter rendered great service to the Surrey Association as hon. secretary, his brother was secretary first of the Kent Association, and afterwards the Winchester Guild.

# CHARLES CARR, 



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## TEN BELL PEALS.

CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUIL.D.
On Wednesday, October 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At the Priory Chorch,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;
Tenor 30 cwt .

| Miss Carrie E. Sparshott Tyeble | Albert Best ... ... | ... | 6 |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Stephen Best | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Frank A. Sparshott | .. | 7 |
| Vincent Street... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | William G. Fowler | .. | 8 |  |
| Edwin V. Hinton | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | George Preston | ... | .. | 9 |
| William G. Stone | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 | Harry Bagshot | ... | ... | Henu | Composed by John Rogers, and Conducted by George Preston.

- First peal in the method. Quickest peal of Caters on the bells. All the above are members of the local band. Rung to celebrate the wedding of Prince Arthur of Connaught and the Duchess of Fife.

WHITBY, YORKS.
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 GHANGES; Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
*John R. Barton ... ...Treble Henry Gibson... ... ... 6 *Frederick Laverick ... 22 *George F. Alexander ... 7 *Frank S. Hodgson..... .3 .John T. Waters ... ... 8 *William A. Breckon ... 4 *William Harland ... ... 9 William Holmes ... ... 5 Thomas Metcalfe ... ... Temor Composed by G. Lindoff, and Conducted by Thomas Metcalfe.

* First peal of Royal and first attempt. First peal of Royal on the bells. The ringers of the treble and 6th hail from Scarborough, 2nd from Middlesbrough, 5 th from Skelton-in-Cleveland, 7 th from Robin Hoad's Bay, and tenor from Ormesby ; the rest belong to Whitby: The peal was rung to celebrate the wedding of Prince Arthur of Connaught and the Duchess of Fife.

BROMSGROVE, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATIO. (Northern Eranch.)
On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5040 CHANGE ;

 Tenor i8 cwt.Thomas Albitt ... ...Tyeble George Hayward ... ... 6
William Palmer...$\quad$... 2 W William Shilvock......
Robert Matthews ... ... 3 Gordon Checkitts... ... 8

| Samdel Grove ... | .. | .. | 4 | John Eaton ... ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| -Samol |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sanel |  |  |  |  |  | Composed and Conducted by G. Hayvard.

- First peal of Caters. This was the quarterly peal for the Northern Branch. S. Jones hails from Newport, Mon.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

PULHAM NORFOLK. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Tuesday, October 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Thice Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH GGURT BOB BAdOR, 5024 CHANGE8;
Tenor I4 cwt. I qr. 16 lbs.
Frederick R. Borrett ...Treble Albert G. Warnes ... ... 2 Ernest Whiting ... ... 3 Edivin Whiting...

Composed by $C$ Frederick Roope
Conducted by F. R. Borrett.

ASHTEA:D.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Sir.A. P. Heywood's Transposition.


IBUSHEY, HERTS.
THE MERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, October 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF bOB MAJOR, 5056 GHANGE ; Tenor 13 cw .
Thomas R. Scott ... ...Tyeble William G. Whitehead Joseph J. Allen ... ... 2 Bertram Prewett ... ... 6 Walter S. Inwood ..... .3 3 Francis A. Smith ... ... 7 Richard Darlow ... ... 4 William Seeley ... ...Tenor

Composed by John R. Pritchard, and Conducted by Thomas R. Scott.

## EPSOM, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On IVednesday, October 15, 1913. in Tro Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL DF CRANBSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAHRES I Holi's Ten-Part.

Tenor 16 cw .
Percy T. Cooper ... ...Tveble Thomas Selfe... ... ... 5 Alfred L. Brown :.. ... 2 Thomas A. Shrubb... ... 6 Alfred E. Bassett ... ... 3 Richard Kendall ... ... 7 William Shepherd ... ... 4 *Alfred Hart ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Alfred L. Brown.

* First attempt for a peal. W. Shepherd hails from Hersham. Rung in honour of the wedding of Prince Arthur of Connaught and the Duchess of Fife,


## ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, October 15, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Thorstans' Four-Part.
George A. Ransom ... ...Tyeble Charles J Tricker George Spencer ....... Wililam E. Garrard $\quad . .63$ *William J. New .... ... 7 Frederick G. Goddard ... 4 Albert Sheard .... .... Tenor Conducted by Wieliam J. New.
*First peal of Stedman as conductor. Rung to celebrate the edding of Prince Arthur of Connaught and the Duchess of Fife.

## LONDON

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Late the St. James' Society.)
On Wednesday, October 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary, Matfelon, Whitechapel, E.,
a PEAL OF StEdman triples, 5040 Chances;
Thurstans' Four-Part.
Tenor 20 cwt . -Thomas Walker ... ...Treble
Christopher H. Hoghes 2 Edward Wallage ... ... 3 Thomas H. Taffender ... 4 Richard N. Ronfam Thos. Groombridge, Junt. 6 Arthur D. Barker... ... 7 Frederick J. Hardy …Tenor Conducted by Thomas H. Taffender. *First peal in any method witly a bob bell. Specially arranged and rung on the occasion of the maxiage of H.R.H. Prince Arthur of Connaught and the Duchess of Fife.

GARSTON, LIVERPOOL.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Liverpool Branch.)
On Wednesday, October 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, at the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Heywood's Variation. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwh.

| John Allen... ... | .. | ...$T r e b l e$ | Thomas Murray | ... | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| George Woodhall | .. | $\ldots$ | 2 | George R. Newton | .. | 6 |

Thomas Jennion..... .9 ... 3 Walter Hughes ... ... 7
Edward Cadnce... ... ... 4 *Henry Hodson ... ...Tenor Conducted by Walter Hughes.

* First peal. Rung in honour of the Royal Wedding.


## MITCHAM

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, October 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF stedean triples, 6040 chances;
Sir A. P. Heywood's Transposition.
 Benjamin Morriss ..... .3 Willitam S. Smith ... ... 7 John S. Daniels ... ... 4 Frederick Tilly ... ....Tenor Conducted by William S. Smith.
Rung in honour of the marriage of Miss Bance, daughter of their brother-ringer (Mr. C. Bance).

## ACTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, October 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minates, at the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Taylor's.
Tenor 14 cwt.
*Albert E. Smith ... ...Treble |.J. Armiger Trollope ... 5
George E. Harbour ... 2 •Joseyh W. Fruin ... ... 6
William Lawrence ... 3 James R. Mackman ... 7
*Robert E. Holloway ... 4 *Charles H. Paine ... ...Tenor Conducted by J. R. Mackman.
*First peal. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Prince Arthur of Connaught and the Duchess of Fife.

## NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, October 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,

- PEAL OF STEDMAM TRIPLES, 5040 Change ;

Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. 26 lbs.

| Lionel H. Page | $\ldots . .$. Treble | Charles J. Fray | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| George Williams |  |  |  |

William T. Tocker... ... 2 George Williams ... ... 6 Arthor Stubbington ... 3 William H. George Wilfred Andrews ... ... 4 Owen H. Giles ... ... Tenor Conducted by George Williams.
Rung, after meeting short for Double Norwich, to celebrate the 32nd anniversary of the conductor's wedding, which occurred on the previous day. The peal could not be arranged to coincide with the exact date owing to the quarterly district meeting of the Guild at Havant.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDILESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, Ociober 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-threc Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Matthew, Upper Clapion,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE HAJGR, 3088 CHANCES;
Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lbs .
*Charles A. Gray ... ...Treble Reubey Sanders ... ... 5
*William J. Kemp ... .... 2 Bertram Prewett ...
Isaac G. Shade ... ... 3 William Pye ... ... ... 7 Charles T. Coles ..... .54 Composed by Joseph W. Parker, and Conducted by Bertram Prewett.
*First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells,

DORCHESTER, OXON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, October 16, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Abbey Chorch,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
A Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor ig cwt.
Frederick W. WoodwardsTreble | Victor Bennett ... ... 5 John Bower... ... ... ... 2 Richard Davis... ... ... 6 Richard G. Rice ......$\quad 3 \quad$ Edmond Bannister ... 7 William E. Napper... ... 4 John E. Allen ... ...Tenor Conducted by Edmund Bannister.

## CRAYFORD, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, October 16, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Padlinds,

## A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor i2 3 cwt.


BRECON, SOUTH WALES.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, October 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Thurstans' Four-Part.
Samdel Watkins ... ...Treble
Tenor I7 cwt. ......$\quad 2$

Samiel Brookes ... William Hargest George Giblin ... ... ... 3 George Hardwicke ...... Willtam Evans ... ... 7 George Hardwicke .... ... ${ }^{4}$.W. A. Fletcher ... ...Tenoy * First peal of Triples. Rung as a complimentary peal to His Grace the Archbishop of York, who, during the week, addresse t the St. David's Diocesan Conference, also a mass meeting held in the town in defence of the Church.

## MARSHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, October 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifiy-five Minutes, At the Church of All Saints

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 GHANGES;

 Tenor 7 cwt.

- First peal of Oxford.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(The Holy Trinify Society.)
On Friday, October 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes, At the Cherch of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF GUILDFORD SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lbs ., in D .
Ben Chorley ... ... Treble Madrice Smitier
 Composed by F. A. Holden, and Conducted by Aifred H. Pulling.
*First peal of Surprise on an inside bell. First peal in the method ever rung. It was presented to the Holy Trinity Society by Rev. E. Bankes James and was rung at the first attempt. The peal was arranged as a part of the Commemoration Festival in connection with the I50th anniversary of the dedication of the church.

MANCHESTER.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Oatober 18,.1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. James, Birch-in-Rusholme,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES ; Tenor 14. cwt.

| William Davies | Trebl | Rev. A. T. Be |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William Shercl |  | John T. Bottrill |  |
| Joseph Lowe | 3 | Albert P. Wakley |  |
| Thomas Murray | . 4 | Harry Chapman |  |

Composed by N. J. Pitstow, and Conducted by A. P. Wakley.

* First Surprise peal.


## LONDON

THE SOCIE'TY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes At the Chorch of St. Anne, Highgate,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Six-Part. Tenor Iq it cwt.

 | Ernest Bonfield ... | .. | 3 | Richard Bevan | .. | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Albert E. Brightman | ... | 4 | Edward Chapman | .. | ... Tenor |  | Conducted by Frank Smith.

Rung, half-muffled, as a last tribute of respect to Newland Alderman, by his brother-ringers at the above church ; also to the memory of Dr. A. B. Carpenter.

CONDOVER, SALOP.
THE SALOP ARCFIDIACONAL GUII,D.
(The Si. Chad's Society.)
Or Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGE I
Tenor $I_{4}$ cwt., in F .
-William C. Brooks... ...Treble $\mid$ †William R. Stockdale 5 $\dagger$ E. R. Trevor Corbett ... 2 Rev. E. V. Cox ... ... 6 William J. Taylor... ... 3 fAlfred E. Fullick ... 7 Herbert Knight ... ... 4 Charles R. Lilley ... Tenor Composed and Conducted by Charles R. Lilley.
*First peal. + First peal of Bob Major. First peal of Bob Major by the Guild and on the bells. Rung on the occasion of the Harvest Festival and in honour of the Royal Wedding. It is noteworthy that the Salop Guild have rung the four standard methods this year.

## MILVERTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATI AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES; <br> Hollis' Five-Part No. 2.

| William Chapman | ...Treble | Henry Norman |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Henry J. Creed | 2 | Archibald J. Andrews. |
| Robert Scott | 3 | Isaac Creed |

Conducted by Robert Scott.

* First peal and first attempt with a bob bell. $\dagger$ First peal of Triples.


## TONBRIDGE,. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Ootober 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Thorstans' Four-Part.

Tenor 21 cw .
Herbert Marikwell... ...Tyeble Richard Jenner ... ... 2 Albert Belton ... ... ... 3
James Heasman... ... ... 4
Conducted by Thos. Groombridge, Sent.
The conductor hails from Chislehurst, the rest of the band belong. to Edenbridge.

CAUTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Vincent,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES; Tenor roi cwt.
 Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and Conducted by John W. Wood.

* First peal with a bob bell. This is the first peal on the bells since they were rehung in a new iron frame and the four trebles recast by Messrs. Taylor \& Co.


## CHICHESTER, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifieen Minutes,
At the Cathedral Campanile,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGE8;
Tenor 21 cwt .
John T. Rickman ... ...Tveble John Capp
Albert D. Stone ... ... 2 Richard Stredwick .... 6
'Oliver Sippetts... ... ... 3 3 William C. Hart ... ... 7
Edward C. Merritt... ... 4 | Keith Hart ... ... ....Tenor Composed by Gaibriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Keith Hart.

## HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON JIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDCE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES; Tenor 13 cwt. I qr. 25 lbs .
${ }^{9}$ Joseph J. Pratt ... ...Treble *George H. Gutteridge 5
George M. Kilby ... ... 2 Edinin F. Pike... ... ... 6
Isaac G. Shade ... ... 3 William J. Nudds ... ... 7
Bertram Prewett ... ... 4 Alfred W. Grimes... ... Tenor
Composed by Charles Middleton, and Conducted by Bertram Prewett.
First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

## NORTON, DERBYSHIRE

THE IORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. James,
\& PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANOEO
Tenor 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

| TVilliam | Biggin... | ... | .. Treble | John Holman ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| TVilliam | Lambert | $\ldots$. | .. | 5 | | TVilliam Lambert | $\ldots .$. | .. | 2 | Richard W. Collier | .. | 6 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sam Thomas... | .. | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | John MacKell | .. | .. |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Arthor Knights... $\quad . .$. Composed by C. H. Hattersley, and Conducted by Sam Thomas.

Rung on the Festival of St. Luke. This peal was arranged for John McKell, of Gargrave, whose first attempt it was in Surprise. This composition has the $4^{\text {th }}$ and 6 th their extent in $5-6$, viz., ten courses in 6th's, with reverse courses without using bobs before.

MIDDLETON, LANCS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Rochdale Branch.)
On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Three Hours,
at the Parish Ceurch,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHAHEES;
Tenor $12 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.

 Thomas K. Driver...

Composed by Benjamin Annable, and Conducted by Hugh Revnolns.

- First peal. $\dagger$ First peal in the method and first peal as conductor. $h$ is is the first peal on the bells since they were rehung by Messrs. $e$ ars \& Stainban'l. The "go " is all that can be desired.


## MANCHESTER.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Oitober 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Thomas, Pendleton,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGE8; Tenor if cwt.

| Rev. A. T, Beeston | Treb | George E. Turner |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Marry Washbrook |  | Thjmas Morray |  |
| William Sher |  | Harry Chapman |  |
| Albert P. Wakl | 4 | James W. Washbrook |  |

Composed by A. Knights, and Conducted by A. P. Wakley.

## SIX $\mathcal{B}^{3}$ FIVE BELL PEALS.

HAMMERWOOD, SUSSEX.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION. (Southern Branch.)
On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Thivty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being twelve Six-scores of Canterbury, twelve of Plain Bob and eighteen of Grandsire. Tenor 7it cwt.

| Frederick Harman | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Tyeble | George Illman | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John Sherlock | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Frank Sadler... | $\ldots$ | ... |
| 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Conducted by Albert Harman.
First peal on the bells.

## SHREWSBURY, SALOP. <br> THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD. (The St. Chad's Society.)

On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-fivs Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF BINOR, 5040 CHANGE ;
Being 720 of Double Court, four 720's of Kent Treble Bob, one of
Plain Bob, and one of Grandsire Minor. Tenor 7 cwt., in A.

- Frederick W. Taylor ...Treble $\mid$ †Thomas M. Belton ... 4 †William R. Stockdale ... 2 Alfred E. Follick $\ldots$... 5 William J. Taylor... ... 3 Charies R. Lilley ...Tenoy Conducted by Charles R. Lilley.
* First peal of Minor. $\dagger$ First peal of Minor on an inside bell. The bells were rung half-muffled as a token of respect to the late G. Tipton, a member of the above Society, who was buried on the roth inst.


## CHILDSWICKHAM, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

 (Southern Branch.)On Sunday, October 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGE :
Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 122 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in F.

James Hemming ... ... 3 Fredrick J. Johnson ...Tenor Conducted by James Hemiming.

* First peal of Minor. Rung on the occasion of the Harvest Festival. After the peal Mr. and Mrs. A. Kyte entertained the band to tea.

NORTHFIELD, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATl' (Northern Branch.)
On Monday, October 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight linu:At the Church of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF WINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob, one of Oxford Bob, and two of Plain Bob. Tenor Io $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
 Arthur Chambers ... ... 3 John Withers... ... ...T Tenor Conducted by John Withers.

* First peal of Minor.


## CHILDSWICKHAM, GLOUCESTERSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Southern Branch.) <br> On Tuesday, October 14, 1913, in Four Hours and Five Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 6840 chances;

Being fifty-seven Six-scores, comprising :-Thirty-two of St. Dunstan's, ten of Grandsire, eight of Plain Bob, and seven of Canterbury, called in fifty different ways.

Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$., in F
William Sparrow ... ...Treble Arthur Kyte ... ... ... 4 Walter Jones ...... *Joseph D. Jounson... ... 3 | Albert Colley ... ...Tenor Conducted by J. D. Johnson.

* First peal as conductor on tower bells. Longest peal on the bells and by all the band. Rung to celebrate the 57 th wedding anniversary of the grandparents of A. Kyte. After the peal Mr. and Mrs. A. Kyte entertained the band to tea.


## CHARIWOOD, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

(Sodthern Branch.)
On Wednesday, October 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF TREbLE bOB MINOR, 5040 Chances;

Being 720 each of Violet, College Pleasure, London Schoiars' Pleasure, Woodbine, College Exercise, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 16 cwt.
 Conducted by Oliver Sippetts.

TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Tharsday, October 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Miwabes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Beverley, London, Wells, York, Durham, Hull and Bourne. Tenor 20 cwt .
Thomas Wick ... ... ...Treble ${ }^{\text {F }}$ Frederick Mayser... ... 4 George Snelling $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ John Snelling ... ... 5 Bertib F. Turner ... ... 3 Frederick Seager... ...Temor Conducted by F. Manser.
This peal was rung as a welcome to T . Wick, of Shildon, who was spending a short holiday in his native village.

## GREAT MONGEHAM. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, October 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,

## A PEAL OF HIHOR, 5080 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Canterbury Pleasure and Oxford Bob, and five 720 's of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$
Ernest Kemp ... ... ...Treble |*George Fenn ... ... ... 4 John Trinder $. . . \quad . .$. Lance-Sergt. F. A. Holden 3 Henry C. Castle ... ...Tenor Conducted by Frederick A. Holden.

* First peal. First peal on the bells, recently rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

SAMPFORD BREET, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Two Hour's and Fifty Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF DOUbLES, 5040 Ghances;

Being 16 Six-scores of Plain Bob and 26 of Grandsire. Henry Perry .. ... ...Treble Albert J. Barker ... ... 3 Arthur H. Jenkins... ... 2 Arthor Cavill ... ... 4 William Bennett ... Tenor Conducted by William Bennett.

RATBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday. October 18, 1913, in Two Hoars and Fifty-seven Minutes
A't the Chorch of SS: Philif and James,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Grandsire and Oxford Bob, and three of Plain Bob, called differently. Tenor 12 cwt .

## *Lovell Richards ... ...Treble Edward Geary... ... ... 4

 Victor Geary ... ... ... 2 George h. Geary ......${ }_{5}^{4}$ Ernest Morris ... ... 3 Fred Staniforth ... ...Tenor- First peal, and proposed a member before starting. Rung on the eve of the Harvest Festival.

NEWCHURCH, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Bolton Branch.)
On Saturday, Oitober 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-mine Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHAMGE ;

Being 720 of Plain Bob, and two 720's each of Woodbine,
Oxford and Kent. Tenor gil cwt.
Thomas Grimshaw ... ...Treble $\mid$ Thomas Cooper ... ... 4 George Pownall ... ... 2 John Yatles ... ... ... 5 Edwin Leatherbarrow ... 3 Joseph Leatherbarrow Tenor Conducted by J. Leatherbarrow.
First peal in four methods by all the band. Rung as a compliment to Squire Withington, of Culcheth Hall, who reached his 82nd birthday on October 7 th. The above ringers have taken this, their first opportunity, of ringing a. complimentary peal, and wish him many: happy returns:

## NEWENT, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL of GRANDSIRE \& ST, dunstan'S doubles, 5040 Ghanges;

Being 42 Six-scores, each called differently.

- W. A. James......... Treble Ex-Sergt. Williams $\quad .$.
 $\dagger$ A. Martin... ... ....... ${ }^{3}$-W. James, Sent. ... ...Toror Conducted by W. J. Roberts.
*First peal. + First peal away from the tenor. $\ddagger$ First peal as conductor. First peal rung on these bells by all local men since 1861 . It was rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Fielden, St. Michael's, Newent. W. James, Senr., was made a member before starting.

WELDON, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-fowr Minutes, At the Chuk, me St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GINOR, 5040 CHANGE ;
Being: 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double. Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor in
*Philip Inns..
...Treble Frederick Kilborn
Mathias Hobbs ... ... ... 2 †Harry Peet ... ... ... 4. †Robert G. Black ... ... 3 J. Edward Chapman ... Teroy Conducted by J. Edward Chapman.

* First peal of Minor. $\dagger$ First peal in seven methods with a bob bell. First peal in seven methods on the bells. The thanks of the band are due to Philip Inns, who completed the company at a minute's. notice when falling one short at the eleventh hour.

HARKETON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF MINOR. 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Plain Bob, Oxford Delight and Woodbine, and two 720 s each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.
Lester L. Gray ... ...Tveble Charles E. Fisher ... 4 George R. Finch ... ... 2 George Ablitt ... ... 5 William King. ... ... ... 3 William B. Reeve... ...Tenob Conducted by Charles E. Fisher.
Rung to celebrate the Festival of St. Luke.

## LOWICK, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Three Hours,

At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;
Being 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor. Tenor 14 cwt. Harry Meadows... ... ...Treble Pearl Inskip ... ... ... 4 James B. Hodson ... ... 2 Thomas Jervis... ... ... 5 Leonard Wyman
... 3
Reginald C. Loveday ...Tonor Conducted by Reginald C. Loveday.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, October 13, 1913, in Two Howrs, At the Deanery Cottage,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

On Handbells. Each 720 being called differently.

R. Gamble ...

| ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- |

$\begin{array}{lll}\ldots & \ldots & \ldots \\ \ldots & \ldots & \ldots\end{array}$ Condu H. Beechey..

Conducted by F. Cooke.

## CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, October 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-one-and-ahalf Minuties,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;
George Hollis ... ... i-2 Arthor Knights ... ... 5-6 E. Maurice Atkins ... 3-4 *George Davies ... ... 7 - 8 Composed and Conducted by E. Maurice Atkins. Umpire: F. Davies. Witness: W. J. Thyng.

* First peal on handbells


## SHEFFIELD.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, October 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-one Minutes, At 3I, Burgess Street,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Miss Winifred M. Hague I-2 ${ }^{2}$ Arthor Hague... E, Maurice Atkins $. . .3-4$ Clement Glenn...

Composed by Edgar Wightman, and
Conducted by E. Madrice Atkins.
ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Monday, October 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At "Llanrock," Avenue Road,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANBES ;
Sidney J. Peck ... ... I- 2 George D. Coleman ... 5-6 Sydney J. Soleman ... $3-4$ Edmund C. Chasty ... 7 - 8 Composed by C. R. Lilley, and
Conducted by Edmond C. Chasiy.

## LATE PEAL.

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Blacibburn Branch.)
On Monday, October 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Chorch of Immandel,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tenor mi委 cwt.
 Composed $\mathrm{bu}^{\mathrm{o}}{ }^{4}$. W. Washbrook, and Conducted by J. Houldsworth.

- First peal. $\dagger$ First peal as conductor. This peal was rung by the local company and is the first in the method by the Blackburn Branch. First peal on the bells since the trebles were added in May last.

The feal of Stedman Cinques, at Birmingham, was rung on the $125^{\text {th }}$ anniversary of the first peal, not the centenary as previouslystated.

## ANOTHER NEW SURPRISE METHOD RUNG.

THE FIRST PEAL OF "GUILDFORD."
We record in another column the first peal of Guildford Surprise, a method composed by the Rev. E. Bankes, James, and named by him as a compliment to the Holy Trinity Society, Guildford, to whom it was sent in February, 1911, at a time when that tower boasted a strong Surprise company. The method was quickly taken in hand, and. a peal was to have been attempted in the following April, but just then one of the band left to join the Navy, and nothing further was passible, as the bells were shortly afterwards unpealable. Since their restoration, however, the method has been taken up again, and on the first Sunday in this month the first plain course was rung by the present company, who so quickly got a grip of the method that the peal was scored last week at the first attempt.

The method, it will be seen, is in many respects similar to Bristol, but opinion varies among the ringers with regard to its difficulties. The conductor does not consider it so intricate as London, but thinks it certainly more difficult than Bristol, as the front and back work are entirely different, and the bells do not course in the front so simply as in Bristol. All peals of Bristol and Treble Bob will run true to Guildford.

Guildford Sturprise.
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23146587
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Bob.
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14235678

## SHOREDITCH BELLS OPENING ${ }^{7}$

The above peal is now nearing completion, and a look at the frame in Messrs. Warner's yard, prophesies a splendid result. The dedication will take place on Monday, November 3rd, at 8.30 p.m. by the Lord Bishop of Stepney. The Mayor of Shoreditch (Mr. H. Busby Bird, J.P.), and the Borough Council will attend in State.

On Saturday, November 8th, the opening will take place, when the Rev. G. F. Coleridge will give an address at 4 p.m. The tower will be open to ringers at 2.30 p.m., and the Royal Cumberland Youthe are to hold a quarterly meeting for the first time for very many years in their " native tower." Tea will be provided free to all those who notify Mr. H. J. Bradley, Parish Church, \$horeditch, before Wednesdar, November 5th, and it will be well for those ringers who intend being present at the tea not to forget to send a post card, as it will be impossible to judge how many to provide for unless this is done.
On Thursday, October 30th, a concert is to be held in the Shoreditch Town Hall in aid of the funds, and the Mayor is to preside. The programme will include the famous "Carltons," Miss May Doubleday, the splendid soprano and Queen's Hall singer; and the Hersham handbell ringers with their 50 handbells; while the Royal Cumberland Youths will attempt a course of Grandsire Cinques. Tickets of admission are 6 d., 1s., 2s., 36. , to be obtained of Mr. H. J. Bradley, Parish Church, Shoreditch, or any of the secretaries of the London Societies. Ringers are heartily invited to all these events.

## PEAL WITHDRAWN.

Mr. F. Kilborn writes withdrawing the peal of Doubles rung at Warkton on October 11th, and published last week, as only 40 sixscores, instead of 42, were rung.

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Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on May 11th; 1912.
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Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the Kent Association, December 7th, 1912.

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## DEATH OF DR. A. B. CARPENTER.

## A GREAT LOSS TO THE EXERCISE.

By the death of Dr. A. B. Clarpenter, says the Vicar of St. James', of Croydon, writing to " The Ringing World," the Exercise has lost another of its most valued members. To his immediate friends the condition of his health had for some little time given cause for grave alarm, but to the ringing fraternity the announcement of his death will come as something of a shock. He died on Wednesday of last week, after an operation in a Nursing Home. For more than 30 years Dr. Carpenter has had a keen interest in ringing, and apart from performances in the belfry, had done a great deal of research work, especially in Triple methods, and the many excellent compositions, of which he is the author, have made his name a household word among ringers.
The eldest son of the late Dr. Alfred Carpenter, to whom Groydon owes so muoh, was born in Croydon on 18th April, 1854, and he was thus in his 60 th year. He was first educated at a private school at Brighton, but he won a scholarship to Winchester, and at Winchester a scholarship to Now College, Oxford. On leaving college he became a medical student at St. Thomas's Hospital, where he 'held various ap-


The Late Dr. A. B. Carpenter.
poiniments; and at his father's retirement from practice, he himself began his professional career in Croydon. He married Miss Jones, of Txeter, a daughter of the then Mayor of the town, and he leaves widow and five daughters. The late Dr. Carpenter held several appointments at the Croydon General Hospital, including that of Senior Tedical Officer, and he was a Medical Referce of the Royal National Hospital for Consumption at Ventnor. He was also a member, indeed one of the founders, of the Croydon Literary and Scientific Institution, taking a keen interest in scientific pursuits generally.
His hobby was campanology, with which he first became associated about Christmas, 1882. He was attracted to the belfry of the parish church, while the tenor was being tolled for the death of an Archbishop of Canterhury, and, receiving a kindly welcome, he was pesuaded to come to thr next practice. Soon he became enamoured of the art, and, With his scholarly attainments, quickly became fascinated with the theoretical as well as the practical side of change ringing. At both Croydon and Beddington he received his early tuition, and rang his first peal at Carshalton on May 5th, 1884, with the Beddington band. Tis first peal as conductor was scored in the same tower on July 13th, 1885, where also he rang his fourth peal-Union Triples, composed and conducted by himself. Ever welcome in all the towers round about, ho made excursions to other parts of the country, and scored his first peal of Double Norwich at Drayton, with the Rev. F. E. Robinson and

Mr. Washbrook, in October, 1888, having earlier in the same gear rung his first of Stedman Triples and Caters with them when they paid a visit to Croydon. He once took part in a 6000 of Double Norwich.
In 1883 Dr. Carpenter was elected hon. secretary of the Surrey Association, and for nine years assiduously discharged the duties of the office, which he had eventually reluctantly to resign owing to the claims of his profession. He, however, never relinquished his interest in the affairs of the Association, and about two years ago was elected Master on the institution of that office. He has been a member of the Central Council since its inception, and did much practical work upon several of its committees.
Dr. Carpenter rang in 165 peals, of which he conducted 45, the last being at Beddington on the 8th February this year. Of these 159 were rung with the Surrey Association, of which he conducted 43. Out of this number 61 were at Beddington and 27 at Carshalton. Tho following is a list:-

|  | No. | Conducted. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Union Triples |  | 5 |
| Oxford Bob Triples |  | 4 |
| Bob Triples | 3 |  |
| Bob Major | 6 | 3 |
| Bob Royal | 1 |  |
| Canterbury Pleasure Major | 1 |  |
| Grandsire Triples | 24 | 10 |
| Grandsire Catera | 27 | 5 |
| Stedman Triples | 30 | 3 |
| Stedman Caters | 17 | \% |
| Kent Treble Bob Major | 11 |  |
| Kent Treble Bob Royal | 7 |  |
| Oxford Treble Bob Major | 1 |  |
| Double Norwich Major | 20 | 11 |
| Superlative Surprise Major | 3 | 1 |
| Totals | 165 | 45 |

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies, who was closely associated with Dr. Carpenter in much of his work, writes: " By the death of Dr. A. B. Carpenter the Exercise has sustained a great loss in every possible way, and a large circle of friends is the poorer by the absence of a charming and delightful personality. Though the present writer cannot give anything like a connected account of his life, or evell of his ringing career, he can point to a few of Dr. Carpenter's achievements in the line of composition. These, we believe, did not extend over a very wide field, that is to say, he did not compose in every known method or even in a majority of them, but the few that he did touch he treated with the hand of a master. In illustration of this we may point to his rariation of Holt's original, in which the number of calls is reduced to 115. In Union Triples he composed some notable peals, including several six-part peals, and a very striking one-part, in which there are only 111 calls, including two singles, while ever 67,74 and 46 is "called " throughout. There is also a remarkable six-part peal of Oxford and Double Court Bob Triples, three five-part peals, and so far as the writer knows, the only one-part peal in existence in those methods. Then in Court Bob there is a ten-part peal, four six-part peals, three five-part peals and a one-part. In the province of Stedman Caters, Dr. Carpenter also composed several good peals, of which two will be found in "Stedman," pp. 86 and 87. There is also in the same publication a great work of the utmost utility by Dr. Carpenter, viz., the table of starting and homing oourses of Stedman for all course-ends having the treble in second's place. Even a cursory examination will show the magnitude of the task, and the very thorough manner in which it is accomplished. It will be found on pp. 101 to 116 inclusive. He was a member of the Central Council from its inauguration, and it was a matter of great regret to his many friends and admirers that ill-health prevented his attendance at Newcastle."

THE VICAR'S TRIBUTE.
The cieath of Dr. Arthur Carpenter has left a blank far outside the circle of bell ringers. His father was a leading doctor in Groydon, and he himself has for many years been among the prominent medical men of the town. He was one of the most loveable of men; and the deep affection that has almays been felt for him in his birth-place was strikingly shown by the crowded church on the occasion of his funeral at Croydon on October 18th. He had a very wide range of interests quite outside the immediate claims of his profession. All his life he was a echolar: a scholar of Winchester, and a scholar of New College, Offord: and he never let his scholarship rust: he has been known to make himself quite happy on a holiday with a volume of the Odes of Horace. And few men enjoved a holiday more. Till his health failed ho was on enthusiartic bicyclist: and, though his lenowledge of mechanics and engineering made him extraordinarily interested in motors (and he always drove his car himself), he never lost his lore for long distance bicycle rides. There were few of the main roads of England which he did not know by experience; and as a companion on a bicycle tour he was simply unrivalled. On such occasions his mechanical cleverness, no less than his unfailing thoughtfulness, made him an ideal fellow-traveller. And this thoughtfulness for others was stamped on his whole life. It came out in his performance of his professional on his whole life. It came out in his performance of his prosessional it was instinctive in him to put others before himself. And behind it all he was a keen and strong churchman. For years he had been churchwarden of his parish church, St. James', in Croydon; and that,
not simply as a prominent parishioner who came of a family of churoh people, but as a sign and seal of his deep, though unobtrusive, Christianity; so that, when his last-and most painful-illness came to him, he went through it all with the serene courage which is given only to those who can say, with St. Paul, "I can do all things through Christ Who strengtheneth me.

The funeral took place on Saturday, the service being held at St. James' Church, where Dr. Carpenter was churchwarden. The interment took place at Bandon Hill Cemetory (near Beddington Church). Among those who attended the sad obsequics were the Rev. E. W. Carpenter (brother), formerly hon. secretary of the Kent Association and Winchester Guild; the Reve. G. F. Cbleridge and Oyril Jenkyn and ringers from both Croydon belfries, Beddington, Mitcham, Ewell, Reigate, Streatham, Hersham, and other. Surrey towers. At the close of the service, a course of Grandsire Caters was rung over the open grave, by: S. Roper (Croydon) 1-2, L. Attwater (Streatham) 3-4, A. J. Perkins (Beddington) 5-6, W. Shepherd (Hersham) 7-8, W. S. Wise (Croydon) 9-10

A hali-muffled peal of Stedman Cators was attempted as a last tribute of respect to Dr. Carpenter, but was unfortunately lost after $1 \frac{1}{2}$ hours' excellent ringing. The ringers were: F. Holder, conductor (Beddington) 1, G. Burt (St. Peter's, Groydon) 2, D. Wright (St. Peter's, Croydon) 3, W. H. Joiner (Mitcham) 4, A. Clark (Croydon Parish Church) 5, S. Roper (Groydon Parish Church) 6, Rev. G. D. P. Davies 7, Cyril F Johnston 8, Rev. G. F. Coleridge 9, C. Kitching (St. Peter's, Croydon) 10.

There was muffled ringing at Groydon Parish Church during the service by the Bletchley ringers, who were on a visit to Croydon, and an attempt for a peal of Stedman in the evening by the local band. This, however, unfortunately came to grief after 30 minutes' ringing.

## ODD CHANGES.

Owing to great pressure on our space this week, we have unavoidably been compelled to hold over several items, including letters from the Rev. H. Law lames and others on Treble Bob Caters.

As a last tribute of respect to the memory of the victims, numbering over 400, in the terrible colliery explosion at Senghenydd, Glamorganshire, on the 14th inst., the Llandaff Association arranged to attempt a muffled peal of Kent Treble Bob Major at Llanbradach, which is situated only $2 \frac{1}{2}$ miles from the scene of the disaster on Saturday last. One of the band selected, however, failed to put in an appearance, but a tenor man being available, a peal of Grandsire Triples was attempted, but unfortunately lost. The following took part: J. W. Jones, J. E. Sykes, H. Page, T. Cross, B. Thorp (conductor), F. Chamberlain, T. Page, W. Kathro.

Yet another has been found who entered upon his peal ringing career with his two peals on the same day. The late Mr. J. W. Lines, of Ipswich, rang 5040 Bob Major at Debenham and a peal of Grandsire Triples at Coddenham on January ${ }^{1} 3$ th, 1887 . Was Mr. Lines the first to do this, we wonder !

The recast ring of eight bells, now being hung in the tower at Tickmarsh, Northants, bv Messrs. Giilett and Johnston, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Peterborough on Saturday, November rst, at 3 p.m. The bells will be opened by the local band, after which the ring will be at liberty for the rest of the evening.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

A very successful and well-attended meeting of the Canterbury district was held at Chilham, on Saturday. In all, 60 members attended, including representatives from the Ashford, Maidstone and Rochester districts. Mrs. Gatehouse, of Headcorn, rang the 6 th in some wellstruck rounds. The service followed the Association form, and was conducted by the Vicar. Mr. Hammond, the organist, presided at the organ. Tea, kindly provided by the Vicar and some friends, was served in the Woolpack Inn.- The Rev. F. J. O. Helmore presided, and most heartily thanked the Vicar and friends for their kindly and hospitable entertainment.-In replr, the Vicar (the Rev. F. J. Pemberton) expressed the pleasure derived from this, the first meeting of the Association at Chilham, and hoped it would not be the last. He referred to the instruction given by Mr. E. G. Buesden, and hoped another courso could be arranged.- Four new members were declared duly clected.-

Messrs. P. Cobbold and S. White reported that the ringer's of Littlebourne were progressing slowly but satisfactorily.-Mr. Buescien and friends then rang a few touches on the handbells, while others returned to the tower, where the bells were kept going till 9 p.m. in the usual standard methods. A well-struck touch of Stedman is worthy of record, and brought the ringing to a close.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## DIVISION OF THE DIOCESE.

A district meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry was held at Melbouru, on Saturday week, and was well attended, about 40 members being prosent, including the Rev. II. B. Woolley (af Long Stanton) and Messrs. J. B. Wrilliamson and W. D. James, of the Cambridge University Guild ; T. R. Dennis (general secretary), P. Webb (district secretary), and members from Cambridge, Fen Ditton, Royston, Somersham, Ickleton, Barley, Shelford, and the local men. A short service was held, sonie of the choir being present, as well as the organist.-The Vicar (the Rev. M. de Courcy, Ireland) gave a very encouraging address. After service, the Vicar kindly invited the ringers to tea, which had been prepared in the schoolroom by several ladies.-The business meeting followed, the Vicar presiding. Several new members were elected, and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Sawston, in Tanuary
A vote of thanks to tho Vicar for the use of the bells, for his kindness in providing the tea, and also to the ladies for attending to the ringers' wants, was proposed by Mr. T. R. Dennis, who went on to say that the Association was on the verge of a great misfortune, owing to the division of diocese, which might tako place at any time, and Suffolk would be taken from them to form a new diocesc. If the members wished to form a new Association of their own, no doubt they would withdraw from the Ely Association, and if the present Association was to be carried on it meant that overgone must try and get more members in Cambridgeshire to join. Unless that wero done, the Association could not be carricd on.
Tho motion was seconded by Mr. P. Webb, who said ho fully endorsed all Mr. Dennis had said. He congratulated the Vicar on the work he had done to the church in the short time he had been in Melbourn, the tower and bells having been thoroughly repaired, and the organ attended to. Ho hoped that all present would give a small suin towards the bell fund, as there was still more money wanted to clear off the debt. The motion was carried
The Vicar, in reply, said how pleased he was to welcome the Association to Melbourn, and he hoped that now they had got their bells restored they would have many more pleasant meetings there They had two of the old ringers present with them who were over 70 years of age, and who rang at Melbourn fifty years ago, and they told him the bells had not been rung for about forty years. He could not ask people for any more money, as they had all given eo readily, and he bclicicd most of the ringers present had given something towards the fund.
One of the ladies responded for the ladies, and said how they had enjoyed hearing the bells ringing so well that afternoon. The sum of 13 s . 6d. was collected after the meeting for the boll fund. The bells have been tuned, rehung, and a new treble added to make six (tenor 15 cwt.) by Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich, and the "go" is splendid. The first 720 on the bells was Plain Bob, rung by: A. E. Austin 1, Rev. II. B. Woolley 2, J. Taylor 3, E. G. FLibbins 4, J. B. Williamson 5, W. D. James (conductor) 6. 720 of Cambridge Surprise: J. B. Williamson 1, T. R. Dennis 2, E. G. Hibbins 3, F. Dench 4, A. Wilkerson 5, R. GKing (conductor) 6. A course of Norwich Surprise, 720 Kent, and several other touches of Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, etc., were brought round. In the afternoon the Ickleton men made a call at Meldrctl, where they were met by the Vicar (the Rev. P. Harvey), who kindly gave them permission to ring. 'The bells, fire in number had not been rung for five years, and are not in very good order, but 360 Doubles were successfully brought round by: P. Webb (conductor) 1, FI. Caider 2, F. Bowtell 3, E. Webb 4, A. G. Lilley 5.

A meeting of the Sudbury branch was held at Monk's Eleigh on Saturday week, when 23 members were present from nine towers. Tea was provided at the Bull Inn, and the business meeting was held at the same place. After the clection of members had taken place, there was some discussion about the division of the diocese and its effects on the Ely Association. Several members expressed their vicws, but the subject was left for further discuesion in the future, when members have had time to think it over.
Touches were rung on the tower bells, a nice ring of six, aud on the handbells, in the following methods, Kent Treble Bob, a 720, by H. Whymark 1, V. Cornell 2, G. Debenham 3, A. Symonds (conductor) 4, A. Keeble 5, II. Turner 6. After tea, 720 of 13ob Minor, followed by touches of New London, Double Court, Kent Treble Bob. On hand bells, courses of Bob Major, Kent Major, Donble Norwich Court, and Grandsire Caters

## RAYNE BELL FUND.

Amount already acknowledged, £5 4s.; E. Radley, Stisted, Is. Ringers, Goldhanger Church, 14s.: Dagenham Church, 4s. 3d.; Great Bardfield Church, 14s.; Sible Hedingham Church, 6s. 1d.; B. Redge well, Rilyne, 5s.; J. Newman, Teering, 2s. 6d. ; IRingers, Bishop's Stort ford, 3 s . ; total, $£ 713 \mathrm{~s}$. 10 d . Further donations, however small, will be gladly received.
The Strect, Rayne.
B. REDGEWELL

## Chelmsford Cathedral.



The new ring of 12 bells (Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs .) for Chelmsford Cathedral was dedicated by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans on Saturday, September 27th, 1913.

MESSRS. JOHN WARNER \& SONS, Ltd., of the Spitalfields Bell Foundry, London, have in hand the restoration of the following rings of 12 bells:

YORK MINSTER (Tenor $50 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.)
ST. LEONARD'S CHURCH, SHOREDITCH (Tenor $28 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.)

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## ANNUAL MEETING AT IPSWICH.

The annual mecting of the Norwich Diocesan Association was held at Ipswich, on Wednesday in last week. The bellis of St. Mary-le-Tower (12), St. Margaret's (8), St. Clement's (6), St. Lawrence (5), and St. Matthew's (5) were open to visiting members throughout the day, and were very largely used. Divine service was held at St. Mary-le-Tower, the Rer. E. C. Hopper (a life member of the Association) reading the special prayers and collects, and the Rev. C. L. Kennaway the special lesson. The Rev. Canon Pigot (Vicar of St. Mary-le-Tower) presided at the small organ. A large number were present, and listened with close attention to the address given by the Rev. C. L. Kennaway (hon. clerical secretary and treasurer) on "Christian Manliness," his remarks being basod on the text, "The Man: Christ Jesus."
At the close of the service members adjourned to the St. Lawrence Parish Hall, where an admirable luncheon was served by Mr. W. H. Cook. In the unavoidable absonce of the President, the chair was taken by the Rev. C. L. Kennaway, supported by the Revs. Canon Pigot, E. C. Hopper, W. C. Pcarson, and E. C. J. Bowen, Messrs. J. W Taylor (Lroughborough), W. W. Worthington (Netherseale), A. Coleman, G. P. Burton, A. W. Grimes, and C. E. Borrett (secretary); District Secretaries F. R. Borrett, F. Day and T. Fitzjohn, and representatives, to the number of 127, from many towers in the diocese.

After the loyal toast, Mr. A. Coleman proposed a vote of thanks to the preacher at the service for his address, and to the clergy of Ipswich for the use of their bolls. - The Chairman and Canon Pigot responded, the latter concluding by proposing in warm terms the toast of

Success to the Association." This was acknowledged by the Chairman, who, in the course of his speech, cordially welcomed to the meeting Mr. Taylor and Mr. Worthington.
The Secretary then read the annual report, which referred to the recont passing in the House of Commons of the measure known as the Additional Bishoprics Bill. It was too early to speak of the general effect of the Bill upon existing diocesan organisations, but it must of necessity make changes in many directions. It was clear that when the division took place their territory could not remain as it was. They must either diride and have two separate associations for the two dioceses, or have one association for the two. The latter alternative would mean adding to the present area that part of West Suffolk which. ap to now, has belonged to the Ely diocese. The committee was fully alive to the many difficulties surrounding the question, and would give the most earnest consideration to it before recommending to the members a definite course of action.
The last published balance sheet showed their financial position to be satisfactory, and thanks were accorded the district secretaries and the hon. auditor. Particulars were given of the restoration work to bells and belfries carried out in the diocese during the last twelre months, the amount of this work being most encouraging

## REMARKABLE RECORD.

The Association's record of peal performances was an amazing one. During 1912 they scored no less than 265 peals, ranging from Doubles to Maximus. This was 81 peals in excess of their previous best, and as a result they occupied the premier place in the Council's ' Analysis of Peals,' both for number of peals rung, and for their total point value. No other Association had ever secured what might le termed this ${ }^{*}$ double first " in the Analysis, and it was well to remind themselves that this was the third time they had been able to boast uf it, the other years being 1905 and 1910. As a comparison it was mertioned that it took more than the first ten years of their existence to ring 265 peals, and for the first 25 vears the average was under 42 peals a year. Since the beginning of 1913 they had even exceeded the 1912 figures, and to date they were about 26 peals ahead of the corresponding period of last year. Details were given of the peals rung. and the report concluded by saying that every ringer should ask himself whether he was faithfully sulbserving or thwarting the work of his parish. The number and quality of their change-ringing performances, however excellent, were but as dust in the balance compared with the value of a good example set by honest and fearless obedience to the principles of Christian faith and practice.-The officers of the Association were all re-elected, Mr. Arthur Coleman, of North Walsham, being elected to the vacancy on the committee caused by the death of Mr. W. Taylor, of Leiston.
The Chairman, in proposing the re-election of Mr. E. Borrett as secretary, said that in view of the great increase in the work, the committee that morning had asked their secretary to accent an additional $£ 5$ 5 s. a year for his services.-Mr. Borrett briefly acknowledged his reelection. and thanked the committee for voting him additional remuneration. At the same time he was compelled to say his work had increased to such an extent that he would be unable to thold the office longer than the next annual meeting.
The Chairman then brought forward the matter of the cup, offered by Messrs. Warner and Sons, to the Association at the head of the Council's Analysis of Peals. He said this cup the donors wished to hand over to their custody for twelve monthe, as they were at the head of the analysis for 1912. They had discussed the matter very thoroughly at a meeting of the committee that morning, and were unanimously of opinion that the acceptance of such a trophy would establish a bad precedent, and tend to lower the slandard of their art as
branch of church work. As far as he (the Chairman) know there was never any thought of competition amongst the leading associations in the country-they rang peals to the glory of God, and for the love of their art, and nothing more. Under such circumstances a cup offered for competition was quite out of place, and it would be a seriotis retrograde step if it were allowed to be competed for. The committee wished to make it plain that in their opinion Messrs. Warner and Sons mado their offer from the best of motives, and with the best of inten-tions-albeit the committee thought they were mistaken ones.-Mr. F . R. Borsett then formally moved: "That the Association do not accept the custody of the challenge cup, presented by Messrs. Warner and Sons to the Association scoring most points in tho Analyisis of Peals."Mr. G. P. Burton seconded, and on being put to the meeting, the motion was unanimously carried.
A vote of thanks to the Chairman concluded the meeting, and members were soon at work again in one or other of the towers in the town. The day being gloriously fine, added to the comfort of those attending what was on all hands admitted to be a very enjoyable festival.

## DEATH OF MR. NEWLAND ALDERMAN.

It is with sincere regret that we announce the death, at the ago of 68 years, of Mr. Newland Alderman, who, after only a few days illness, passed away on October 11th. Affectionately known to all North London ringers as "Father," he will be sadly missed, for no man could possibly have been more amiable and considerate to young ringers. He was never happier than when piloting young beginners through their first 120 of Doubles. Spending most of his leisure time in this way, he had little time left for peal ringing. However, he had rung somewhere about 50 peals in all the standard methods, extending over a period of about 40 years, as recorded upon peal boards in St. Anne's, Highgate, dated 1874 and 1509. Ife rang his last at Isleworth a few months ago. He was a member of the Royal Cumberland Youths, his name occuring in the name book immediately in front of Mr. H. Dains under the date of April 18th, 1871. In addition, he belonged to the Tondon County, and Middlesex Associations and Oxford Guild. He had been a member of St. Anne's, Highgate, and St. Martin's, Gospel Oak, towers, for over 40 years, and the writer has heard many interesting anecdotes relating to the struggles for the first 120 Doubles, by method, which, when at last accomplished, superseded once for all the figures then in use. Mr. Alderman also held for many years the office of steeple keeper, at St. Michael and All Angels', Paddington, having retired with the rest of the band as recently as last year. He rang in the first of the three peals ever recorded upon these bells.
The funeral service was conducted by the Vicar, at St. Martin's, Gospel Oak, on Thursday of last week, the interment following at Finchley Cenctery. Among those present were: Messrs. II. Dains, R. Kilby (Willesden), E. Chapman, R. Beran, E. Bonfield, E. Young, A. Brightman, C. Pryor, P. E. Turl, ctc.
Afterwards at St. Martin's, the seven last-named ringers rang the whole pull and stand, and a 720 Oxford Treble Bob (the deceased's favourite method), conducted by R. Bevan. On Sunday, a muffled 720 Kent was rung, and a peal was scored at St. Anne's, Highgate, on Saturday, by his brother ringers.

## THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. BOHEMIAN CONCERT.

The London County Association held its eleventh annual Bohemian concert at the Talbot Restaurant, Iondon Wall, City, on Saturday week. The programme had been arranged by the hard-working secretary, Mr. F. J. Hardy, and his efforts thoroughly pleased the large audience, of whom half were of the " fair sex." The chair was taken by the Mastor, Mr. T. H. Taffender, Mr. H. S. Ellis filling the vicechair. The proceedings opened with an overture by Mr. Lewis H. Cheesman, who, besides giving two good songs, acted as pianist for the evening. With such a wealth of talent at his dispesal (there were 27 items) the musical director, Mr. L. B. Porter, had quite a busy evening. Special mention must be made of the inimitable Mr. Harry Hudson, who amused the audience in hie own droll way. Mr. W. H. King gave excellent renderings, of Harry Lauder's "' Portobella Lassie " and "Wee Deock and Doris," his accent, his patter and his costume being
alike lighly entertaining. Mr. Cyril F. Johnston's latest song, I cannot keep my trousers nicely creased," delighted the audience immenscly, but he regretted that the ringing papers had not the same influence on fashions as they had on ringing matters. Another item which was enthusiastically received was the tune playing on lhandbells by "The
Crescent Ilandbell Trio" (Messre. G. Wild and A. S. and A. T. Miller"). Other artists who figured prominently wero: Messrs. Con Wade, Reginald Turner, A. D. Barker, D. Wright and S. Roper (the two lastnamed also singing a duet), R. A. Filis, C. Kitching and Kitching, junr. In spito of tho fact that so many ladies were present in the audience, it was remarkable that only one figured on the programme,
This was Mrs. R. A. Ellis and her rendering of "The Tlight of Ages " was highly appreciated. During the evening, a conrse of Stedman Caters on handbelle was successfully brought round by: W. Wise 1-2, T. Groombridge, junr., 3-4, II. Langdon 5-6, F. T. MTardy 7-8, A. W. Grimes 9-10. The audience onjoyed the coneert immensely, and the programme concluded with "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem.

## LINCOLN GUILD.

## fllloe deaneries branct at donington

The annual meeting of the Elloe Deaneries branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild was held at Donington on Saturday, and was attended by about thirty ringers, from Spalding, Sutton Bridge, Long Sutton, Moulton, Holbeach, Pinchbeck, Surfleet and Bicker, together with the Donington ringers. Tiae business was transacted after dinner at the Peacock Hotel.
The president of the branch, the Rev. F. F. Wayet, of Pinchbeck, presided, supported by the Revs. E. Freeman (Donington), C. A. Payne (Gosberton), and G. H. Clark (Bicker), and Mr. G. W. Hensman (Pinchbeck), vice-presidents of the branch. The Rev. H. Law James, of Sur fleet, was unable to be present, to the regret of the company.
The Chairman gave the usual loyal toast of "Church and State," which was duly responded to. The officers were re-elected, with the exception of Canon Bullock, who has resigned owing to his leaving the district, as follows:-President, Rev. F. F. Wayet; secretary, Mr. G Ladd, Pinchbock; treasurer', Mr. R. Mackman, Spalding. Two honor ary and two ringing members were elected
Bicker was decided upon as the place for the next meeting, by the casting vote of the chairman.
Mr. R. Mackman gave a resume of the work of the branch since its formation about thirty years ago, contrasting the position of ringers as church workers to-day with what it was then. Mr. Nackman also dealt with the condition of the bells and belfries. The bells had been rohung, and a new bell added at Gedney, Fleet, Pinchbeck, Moulton, Quadring, Gosberton, and Donington; Surfleet, five new bells, three re-cast, new frame and fittings for ten bells; and Spalding two new bells.

A short service, ${ }^{-}$with address by the Rev. Freeman, was held in the afternoon, most of the ringers attending. At the suggestion of the members, the usual offertory was taken. and the Vicar was asked to use it for parochial work. He suggested the amount be added to the Parish Hall Fund

The Vicar kindly entertained the ringers to a tea at the Vicarage. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the reverend gentleman, on the proposition of Mr. R. Mackman.
During the day the bells were kept going in the following methodsOxford and Kent Treble Bob and Bob Minor. A number visited Bicker Parish Church, where touches were rung of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Troble Bob, Stedman and Bob Minor.

## SARRATT BELLS.

On Holy Cross Day, the Dedication Festival of Sarratt Church, Herts, the bells were " re-opened," after having been retuned and rehung by Messrs. Warner and Sons, of London, who have carried out the work in a highly creditable and expeditious manner. In the course of both the morning and evening services, there was a special ceremony to marlk the event, the clergy and choir proceeding to the belfry while a hymn was sung. Appropriate collects were then intoned by the Rector (the Rev G. N. Ryley), and after the versicles, "Sing we merrily unto Gorl our strength "and "Make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob," the Rector hauded the ropes to the ringers, who chimed the bells. The procession then returned to the chancel. In his sermon in the morning the Rector spoke of the gratitude to God that should be felt by all the parish for His blessings upon the Church's work since last Holy Cross Day, cepecially for the most satisfactory restoration of the bells, and above all for any eternal good that God may have been pleased to work in the souls of men through the Church in Sarratt. In the evening he dealt with the history and uses of bells and lessons to be learned therefrom. All, he said, were delighted again to hear the bells, which not only sounded much better, but were heard much further
The peal hare been retuned upon Canon Simpson's five-tone principle, and rchung in a neat steel frame of unique design and quite independent of the walls of the tower, the old frame of oak, which was ratten and was vibrating against the tower walls, having been cleared out. In the new frame two empty bays are in readiness for the addition of two smaller bells, and it is to be hoped that they will soon be forthcoming.

## WINCHESTER GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Portsmouth district was held at Havant on Wedneslay week, when ringers altended from Lee-on-Solent, Stoneham, Portsea, Portsmouih, Gosport, Curdridge, Swanmore and Fareham. The bells were rung in the afternoon, and at 5.30 the Guild's service was held, conducted by the Rev. B. C. Taylor, assisted by the Rev. F. Bankes James. In his nddress the preacher pointed out to the ringers that nll work in connection with the service of the church, if carried out in the right spirit, was to the glory of God, whether it be ringing or singing. Tea was afterwards enjoyed in the Institute, about 25 sitting down.

At the business meeting, the Rev. F. Bankes James was voted to the chair, and was supported by Mr. Geo. William (hon. secretary of the Guild), Mr. J. Whiting (district sec.), and E. J. FTarding (representative). One hon. member and about a dozen full members were elected. -Votes of thanks were accorcled the Rev. Canon Scott for the use of the bells and institute, to the Rer. B. C. Taylor for the service, and to the organist for presiding at the organ. Afterwards touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major and Kent Troble Bob Major were rung.

## NOTICES.

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IMPORTANT. - Correspondents and others should, note that in future all communications to "The Ringing World " should be addressed to 9, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 28th; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays, at 8 p.m. - Villiam T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Badsey on Saturday, October 25 th. Service in. the church at 5 p.m., meeting to follow. Bells available at 3 p.m.-J. Hemming, Branch Secretary, Io, Church Bank, Hampton, Evesham.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.--Lewisham District.-The annuai meeting will be held at Crayford, on Saturday, October 25th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Divine service (Association form) at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., with address by the Rev. Gustavus Jones (Rector). Tea in St. Paulinus Hall, at 6.I5 p.m. Business meeting to follow. - T. Groonbridge, Honorary District Secretary, 34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.-Established i755.-Quarterly meeting will be held at Handsworth, Saturday, October 25th. Bells. available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at St. Mary's Refreshment. Rooms 5.30, 8d. per head, followed by business meeting. -A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, I i, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Southam on Saturday, October 25th. Bells (8) available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Committee meeting 4.30 p.m. Business meeting after tea. A good' meeting is desired.-Rer. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.

CROYDON, SURREY.-To wind up the ringing week in Surrey, arranged by W. H. Fussell, a social will be held on Saturday, October 25 th, at 7 p.m., at the Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, to meet the visitors. All ringers who. care to come will be welcome.-Cyril F. Johnston.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.The annual festival will be held at Durham on Saturday, October 25 th, 1913. Committee meeting at I2 noon at the Three Tuns Hotel. Service at I p.m. in the Cathedral ; address by the Very Rev. the Dean of Durham. Dinner at 2 p.m. at the Three Tuns Hotel.-R. Stedhenson, Joint Honorary Secretary, 2, Cleveland Terrace, West Hartlepool.

BATH AND WVELLS ASSOCIATION. - Bridgwater Deanery Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wembdon on Saturday, October 25 th. Bells available at 2 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea will be provided in the Church Room at 5 p.m.-W. G. Sellick, Branch Secretary.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Luton District.-A meeting will be held at Flitton on Saturday,. October 25 th. Bells available from $3 \cdot 30$ p.m.-A. King. Honorary Secretary, 6, Tavistock Crest, Luton.

BATHS AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Chew Deanery Branch. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wrington on Saturday, October 25th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Tea at $5 \cdot 30$, business meeting to follow.-George Yeo, Honorary Local Secretary.

ECKINGTON. - The dedication of the Eckington Parish Church bells will take place on October 26 th, as per previous notice, but only chiming will be allowed, owing to the restoration not being quite completed. Ringing will commence on Sunday, November 2nd, 1913, when visiting ringers will be welcomed.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Central Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Cuckfield on Saturday, November ist. Tower open 3 till 9. Service 5. Tea $5 \cdot 30$, by kind invitation of the Vicar. Will secretaries kindly oblige by letting me know by Tuesday, Oct. 28th, how many may be expected at tea from their respective towers?-A. D. Stone, Divisional Honorary Secretary, 29, Ashton Street, Brighton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Newhey on Saturday, November ist. Bells ready at 3 o'clock, meeting at 6.30.-Joseph Ogden, Secretary, I35, Latts Street, Shaw, Oldham.

WILLIAM VEERRY COMMEMORATION DINNER. -The gth annual dinner will be held at the Queen's Head Hotel, Soho Road, Handsworth, on November rst, at 6.30 p.m. sharp. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tickets may be had from Charles F. Starkey, Honorary Secretary, 79, Peel Street, Winson Green.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, NORTHOWRAM, :near Halifax.-On Saturday, November ist, a new peal of 8 bells (tenor 16 cwt .) by Gillett and Johnston will be duly opened. Ringers cordially invited. Bells available from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock for those who send in not later than Monday, October 27 th, to Mollinson Taylor, Honorary Secretary, Woodfield Cottage, Hipperholme, near Halifax.

RAYNE, ESSEX.-The new bell will be dedicated on November ist at 3 p.m. Preacher: Rev. J. H. Barrow, M.A., Precentor of Chelmsford Cathedral. The Rector will provide tea for ringers who give notice of attending not later than October 27th, 1913.-B. Ridgewell, Hon. Secretary, The Street, Rayne.

PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIA-TION.-A district meeting will be held at Glinton on Saturday, November ist (All Saints' Day). Bells (6) available afternoon and evening until 7.45. Short service at 6 o'clock. All ringers welcome.-John J. Jutson, Secretary, St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.-The next meeting of this society will be held at Barnsley on Saturday, November ist. Church of St. Mary, eight bells, tenor 14 cwt., available $3.30 \mathrm{n} . \mathrm{m}$. to $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} .-$ J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, 38, Rutland Park, 'Sheffield.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held at St. James', Whaterfoot, on Saturday, November ist. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30. A good attendance requestec. - J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary, 3I, St. P'ull's Street, Ramsbottom.

WARFIELD, BERKS.-The new peal of 8 bells at St. Michael's Church, Warfield, Berks, will be open for ringing on Saturday, November ist, at 3 p.m., by kind permission of the Vicar and churchwardens. All ringers wel-come.-H. Bungay, Forest Road, Binfield.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Bur-ton-on-Trent District.-A ringing meeting will be held at Elford, near Tamworth, on Saturday, November ist. Bells (6) will be ready at 3 o'clock.-Harry Wakley, Local Honorary Secretary.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Yorktown District.-The annual meeting will be held at Yorktown on Saturday, November ist. The bells are available from 3 p.m. Tea in the Church Room at 5.30 , for those who notify me not later than the 3ist inst.-G. B. Edser, Honorary Secretary, ifo, Gipsy Road, West Norwood.

SHOREDITCH BELLS.-Dedication on November 3 rd, at 8.30 , by the Lord Bishop of Stepney. The Mayor and Borough Council will attend in State. The formal opening will take place on Saturday, November 8th, when, by an arrangement with the "Fund Committee," a quarterly meeting of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths will be held. All ringers and subscribers are heartily invited to attend. Tower open at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., short service at 4 p.m., with an address by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge. Tea in the Parish Room at $5 \cdot 30$, which will be provided free to all those who notify the undersigned by Wednesday, November $5^{\text {th }}$. Will all those who still have collecting cards for the above object return the same before this date?-F. Bennett, 3, Harts Lane, New Cross, S.E.; H. J. Bradley, The Parish Church, Shoreditch.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.-The annual meeting of the above district will be held at Winchester on Saturday, November 8th. The Cathedral will be open during the afternoon and evening. Evensong in the choir of the Cathedral at 4 o'clock. Tea in St. Maurice Hall at 5. I 5 p.m. Business meeting immediately after the tea.-James W. Elkins, District Secretary, 20, Culver Road, Winchester.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). - The 276th anniversary dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on November 8th, at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tickets, 4 s . each, may be obtained of Messrs. J. Akehurst, J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies, T. Faulkner, G. R. Fardon, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, E. Horrex, A. Hughes, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, E. P. O'Meara, A. B. Peck, G. N. Price, IV. Prime, G. W. Wild, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, or W. T. Cockerill, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. Tower open for ringing : St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, 4 to 6 p.m.

CHEILMSFORD, ESSEX.-Meetings for practice at the Cathedral will be held weekly on Thursdays, at $7 \cdot 30$, and on the last Saturday in each month, also at 7.30 p.m. Ringing on Sundays will be for morning service Io to if a.m. Evening service 6 to 7 p.m. All ringers will be heartily welcomed at any time.-H. F. Cooper, County Offices, Chelmsford.

THE LADIES' GUILD.-I beg to remind members that the annual subscription is now duc. Badges may be obtained at 25. each, post free.-Edith K. Parker, Hon. Secretary, 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

PEAL BOOKS.-Price 3s. 6d., post free, 300 pages. The first peal written in (with weather-proof ink) free of charge, if particulars of same are enclosed with order.J. Beams, Fir Tree Road, Banstead, Epsom, Surrey.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-The address of Mr. Harry Wakley, Local Secretary, Burton-on-Trent District, Midland Counties Association, is now the Lord Napier, Victoria Street, Burton-on-Trent.

## HOLIDAY APARTMENTS.

Having frequently had inquiries from ringers for information as to other members of the Exercise who have holiday apartments to let, we offer the use of our columns to those who cater for visitors at seaside and other resorts. Terms for insertion will be sent on application.

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## HERE AND THERE.

The first clange ringing on the bells of Great Mongeham, Kent, was accomplished on Saturday week, when the Upper Doal band rang 720 each of Plain Bob and Oxford Bob: N. Jefferies (first 720) 1, E. Kemp 2, J. Trinder 3, L. Ladd 4, F. A. Holden 5, H. C. Castle (oonductor) 6. This was quickly followed up by a peal, which, as recorded elsewhere, was rung on Thursday of last week.

Although some of the members have been ringing but a short time, the St. Barnabas, Warmley, company of the Gloucester and Bristol Association are making excellent progress. At their practice on Saturclay week they excelled any achievement for some time past in Warmley. The ringing commenced with some good touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, followed by 360 of Plain Bob, and concluding with a well-struck 720 of Plain Bob rung by: H. Hobbs 1, S. Kilmaster 2, H. Howell 3, C. Gordon 4, C. Harnell 5, G. Wilshire 6.

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The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two anw ones in the tower of St Poter's Collegiate Shurch, Wolverhampton, reoently carried cut by you kas proved most nuccessful, and given coneral eatisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualifed to ardge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,

Architect. Diocesan Surveyor.

## CARE IN THE BELFRY.

It is remarkable, and happily unique, that we should have to record in one issue the destruction of two church steeples by fire. Last week disaster avertook Leck Church, in Lancashire, where among other serious damage, was the loss of two of the five bells. On Monday the ancient church of SS. Peter and Paul, West Clandon, one of the oldest churches in Surrey, suffered in a similar way, and five of its six bells were totally destroyed. In each case considerable damage was done to the fabric, and serious loss has been sustained. At Clandon, and we believe also at Leck, the fire originated in the steeple from some unknown cause, and we hope that subsequent events will not prove the outbreaks to be due to carelessness on the part of ringers.

In the past fire has been the destroyer of many ancient and famous bells, and, although conflagrations in churches still account for the obliteration of many interesting bell relics, the advancing times have brought with them greater methods of prevention, and these disastrous outbreaks are much more rare than formerly. Nevertheless we may well pause to consider whether all the care that might be taken is taken to avoid such catastrophes as we record this week. Those who have occasion to carry lights into a belfry, where, particularly in old buildings, there is so much timber, cannot exercise too much caution. A dropped match not properly extinguished, a candle end left burning on the bell frame, or some other thoughtless action may lead to irreparable damage, for it must be remembered that it is not so much the intrinsic appraisement of what is destroyed, but the historic value of the things which cannot be replaced, that counts so much in the destruction of ancient possessions. This applies with much force to churches and bells, and although we know full well that often out of a wreck some new and more extensive scheme may develop, there always remains the feeling of sadness that the cherished possessions, lianded down from the dim past, have ruthlessly been destroyed.

As ringers we cannot do too much in exercising care for the preservation of the Church's valuable property for which we are responsible-not only to protect it from the risk of such calamities as have overtaken the churches of Leck and West Clandon, but from the invasion of other means of destruction which neglect brings in its train. In neither of the two latest fires do we suggest that the ringers of the respective towers are to blame, and members of the Exercise will sympathise with them and the church authorities in the loss which has overtaken them. In the case of Clandon we know that the ringers are a devoted band, and the loss of the bells will be a terrible blow to them.

## CHARLES CARR,



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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Michael, Cornhill,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUE8, 5019 CHANGE8;
Tenor 41 cwt.

| Tenor 4 I cwt. |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Edwin Horrex ... ... ...Treble | Samuel E. Joyce ... ... 7 |
| Henry Springall ... ... 2 | Albert A. Hughes... ... 8 |
| Ernest G. Fenn ... ... 3 | Rev. Cyril W. O. Jenkyn 9 |
| Challis F. Winney ... ... 4 | Charles S. Burden ... 10 |
| Frederick J. Hardy... ... 5 | Richard T. Hibbert ... il |
| Robert W. Green ... ... 6 | Herbert Langdon'... ...Tenor |
| Composed by Charle Conducted by H | H. Hattersley, and bbert Langdon. |

## TEN BELL PEALS.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Monday, October 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF CRANBSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANCES:
Tenor 22 cwt.
John Goodman, Senr. ...Tyeble Alfred Rowley ... ... 6 Samtel Baker ... ... ... 2 †Alfred Davies... ... William Rock Small ... 3 "Abraham Greenfield ... 8 William Fisher $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 4 \quad$ Benjamin Gough $. . . \quad . .$. John A. Brown ... ... ... 5 Benjamin Follwood .... Tenor

Composed by Bernard Jealous, and Conducted by Alfred Davies.

* First attempt for a peal on ten bells. $\dagger$ First peal of Grandsire Caters as conductor. This peal was arranged and rung in honour of the birthdays of Mr. Herbert Sheppard (the esteemed hon. secretary of the Guild) and Mr. Alfred Davies (the conductor of the peal).

SOUTHOVER, LEWES.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;
Tenor 17 cwt. I qr. 22 lbs.
William C. Hart ... ...Tyeble Robert J. Dawe ... ... 6

 George H. Howse ... ... 4 Keith Hart ... ... ... 9 Oliver Sippetts... ... ... 5 *Corpl. D. Gilbert, R.E.Temoy

Composed by C. H. Hattersley, and
Conducted by Keith Hart.

* Elected members previous to starting.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIOV. (Sheffield District Society.) On Saturday, October 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor $24 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Thomas W. Gore ... ...Tyeble John Flint ... ... ... 6 John Holman ... ... ... 2 George Hollis ... ... 7 Sam Thomas... ... ... ... 3 Arihur Knights ... ... 8 Rev, A. T. Beeston... ... 4 George W. Bemrose ... 9 William Lambert ... ... 5 Benjamin A. Knights ...Tenor Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and

Conducted by Sam Thomas.
This was the first peal of Cambridge Royal on the bells, also by the above Societies, and by all the band except J. Flint. The composition has the 5 th and 6 th their extent at home.

## ASTON, BIRMINGHAM

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minubes,
At the Church of SS. Peter \& Paul,
A PEAL OF STEDNAN CATERS, 6007 CHANGES; Tenor 22 cwt .
John Corrigan
...Treble ${ }^{*}$ George Garrison ... ... 6
James Jones...
... 2 John Carter
John Carter ...
Wiltiam R Smá
ELLIS … 8 Georgr F. Swann ... ... 4 John Neal .. ... ... 9 Morris J. Morris Composed and Conducted by John Carter.

- First peal of Stedman Caters. The composition is 481 on the Broadsheet.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.

 THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.On Friday, September 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Fodr-Part. Ernest Poppy  William Rose ...... ... 2 Frederick R. Borrett ... 3 Frederick Day

Tenor $\mathrm{r}_{72} \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in F
George N. Price ... $\cdot \cdots .5$ Willie Roughton... ... 6 James Motts ... ... ... 7 Leonard Last......$\quad$...TTenor Conducted by James Motrs.

BRISTOL.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wedresday, October 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutbs, At the Church of St. Mary-le-Port,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Hollis's One-Part.
Francis Price ... ... ...Tyeble George Tomkins ... ... 2 Herbert Green... ... ... 3 Robert Leaker......... 4 Ed Eduard Abraham ... ... Tenoy

This was rung as a jubilee peal for the Rector (Rev. J. Ormiston), ho has completed 50 years in the ministry.

## STOKE COVENTRY

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Thursday, October 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Churce of St. Michael,

- peal of stedman triples, 5040 chanees;

A Variation of Washbrook's Foor-Part. Tenor y $3 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. Oswald J. Hunt
..Treble Charles Freeman ... ... 5 William Pryce ... .. ... 2 William T. Cox ... ... 6 adolphos Roberts ......$\quad 3$ Frank E. Pervin ... ... 7 Joseph H. White

Conducted by Frank E. Pervin.
Rung on the occasion of the induction of the Rer. Canon Hyslop as Rector of the parish.

SLOUGH, BUCKS.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. (Late London Scholars.)
On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Ninc Minutes, at tee Chupch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES

Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor if cwt. 2 qr. ig lbs., in E. George Williams ... ...Tyeble Ernest C. Lambert ... 5 john D. Matthews ... Frank Bennett ... ... ... 3 James Parker ... ... ... 7
 Conducted by George Williams.
The first peal on the bells, a musical octave in good going order by Messrs. Mears \& Stainbank. Rung on the Festival of St. Luke and in honour of the birthday of the donor of the new tower, and to celebrate the completion of the church, a very handsome building commenced in 1875. The band represent eight counties around the City of London. It was W. H. Fussell's 4ooth peal.

LAVENHAM.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-five-and-ac half Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

| William R. J. Poulson...Tyeble | Walter Gooday | ... | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Arthur Symonds | $\ldots$ | ... | 2 | Frederick A. Poulson... |


| Arthur Symonds | ... | ... | 2 | Frederick A. Poulcon... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Stedman H. Symonds | ... | 3 | Thomas W. Garrard | ... |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |

- Frederick A. Salter ... 4 Thomas Pryкe... ... ...Tenor Composed by John Thorpe, and Conducted by S. H. Symonds.
* First peal of Treble Bob. Rung on the 2oth birthday of the ringer of the 6th. F.A. Poulson and F. A. Salter hail from Thetford, and W. Gooday from Great Waldingfield.

DEANE, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Maky.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES; 5040 CHANGES;
Tenot 14 cwt .


Rung after meeting short for Double Norwich.
TYLDESLEY, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Bolton Branch.)
On Monday, October 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. George,
A PEAL CF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Vicars'.

Tenor 12 cw .

| George Pincott | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Treble | P.C. Peter Crook ... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Robert Allred | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Herbert Allred | ... |
| ... | 6 |  |  |  |  |
| - John T. Allred | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | John Potter | ... |
| Willian Pennington | $\ldots$ | 4 | .. | 7 |  | William Pennington ... 4 |Arthor Berton ... ... Teno Conducted by John Potier.

* First peal in the method with a bob bell. $\dagger$ First peal

EPSOM, SURREY
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, October 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes. At the Church of St. Martin,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Original.
Percy T. Cooper ... ...Treble
Thomas Miles... ... ... 2
-Alfred E. Bassett ... 3
Alfred L. Brown ..... .4

Tenor 16 cwt .

* 6oth peal. Rung, with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late Dr. A. B. Carpenter, Master of the Surrey Association. Mr. Thomas Miles rang his first peal 46 years ago at the above church.


## EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, October 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes. At Christ Church,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Edward J. Mallard... ...Tyeble Edward W. Bray ... ... 2
Waiter Prior
Walter Prior ...
Edward Hancox

Tenor $8 \frac{1}{c} \mathrm{cwt}$., in $A$. Ernest Gower... ... George H. Howse... ... Joseph Sharp ... ..... .7 | Joseph Sharp | ... | .. | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7 |  |  |  |
| Charles Gatland | .. | ... |  | Conducted by Joseph Sharp.

Mr. Prior, of Stansted, Essex, for whom the peal was arranged, was elected a member of the Association previous to starting.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, October 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Mimutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;
Tenor 8 cwt . I qr. 20 lbs .

Composed by Sam Wood, and Conducted by Wm. Steele.

## DRAYTON, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Monday, October 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF STEDESAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHAHCES;

Thorstans' Foor-Part.
*Miss Kathleen HolifieldTyeble Harry Holifield ... ... 2 George Holifield, Junr. 3 Albert E. Lock ... ... 4 Conducted by

Tenor 9 cwt. I qr. 20 lbs . Frederick Webb ... ... 5 George Holifield, Sent. 6 William Judge ... ... 7 Gordon Caudivell ...-...Tenor W, Judge.

* First peal of Stedman. Rung, with the bells muffled, as a token of respect to the late Mrs. Ghapman, wife of the Vicar of Drayton.


## BUSHEY, HERTS

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, October 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. James,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thorstans' Foor-Part.
Tenor I3 cwt.
Walter S. Inwood ... ...Treble Thomas L. Simmonds ... 2 Ernest E. Grimes ... ... 3 Francis A Smith William Seeley ... ... 4 Frederick Edwards ...Tenor Conducted by Bertram Prewett.
Arranged and rung as a compliment to Ernest E . Grimes on his 2 Ist birthday.

## BROMLEY, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATICN.
On Tuesday, October 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Ceurch of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAB OF KEHT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 193 cwt.
*Albert E. Newick... ...Tveble ${ }^{*}$ Eric G. Filtness ... ... 5 Hobert J. Blackwell ... 2 . $A r t h u r$ Bygrave...
 Frank Bennett $\ldots . . . . \quad 4$ George Durling... Composed by Henry Dains, and
Conducted by Frank Bennett. *First peal in the method. Rung on the anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar.

OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Rochdale Brancy and Oldham and District Society.) On Tuesday, October 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-thvee Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas, Moorside,
a PEAL OF KEGt tBEble bob major, 5088 Changes; Tenor 18 cwt. o qr. 18 lbs.
 the birthday of the ringer of the 6th

SEDGLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD
On Tucslay, October 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes. At tee Parish Church,
A PEAL OF CRANBSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
 rest belong to the local band.

YORKTOWN, SURREY.
TIIE WINCHESTFR DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, October 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;


* First peal.


## CHESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, October 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of Christ and the Blessed Virgin Mary,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 29 cwt. o qr. II lbs., in C.
 *Charles E. Boyers ... 4 Ernest Channell... ... Temoy Composed by J. J. Parker, and Conducted by E. H. Lewis.

- First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. First peal in the method on the bells. For calling see C.C. Collection No. 23.

WOOLTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, October 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Fowteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANRES
Reeves' Ten-Part.

| C. Gittins | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | R. Leather | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| T. Hay | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 |  |  |  |  |
| F. Thomas | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | T. | $\ldots$ | Conducted by T. Hay.

* First peal of Grandsire. Fung to commemorate the 25 th anniversary of the opening of the bells, and in honour of the restoration of the ancient Village Cross. T. Hay, G. Hislop, R. Leather and H . Fyles are ringing members of the original band.


## NORTHAMPTON.

THE CENTRAL NORTEAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, October 23, 1913, in Thre Hours and Fourteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Edmund,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES ;
Sir Arthur Heywood's Transposition of Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 18 cwt.
John Metherell
... ...Treble | John Mackay ..
William Rogers
.Treble
*Tom Haynes ...
Fred Wilford ... $\quad . . . . . . \quad 3$ †Tom Tebbutt ... $\quad . .$.
Condacted by Tom Tebbutt.

* First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal in the method as conductor,


## SITTINGBOURNE, KENT

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Wh Thursday, October 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourten Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF KENT Tiferile Bob Major, 5088 GHANGE8;
Tenor 2I cwt., in E.


Composed by George Newson, and
Conducted by W. Spice.

* First peal of Major. $\dagger$ First peal in the method.


## COLCIESTER, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Oclober 23, 1913, in Three Howrs and Fourteon Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;
Tenor 2 I cwt. o qr. I7 lbs., in E flat.
George Burch ... ... ...Tveble | Henry Evers ... ... ... 5 Herbert T. Pye ... ... 2 | Stanley Hull... ... ... 6 . William Button ... ... 3 Albert Burch ... ... ... 7 Richard W. Stannard ... a William J. Schofield ...Tenor Composed by Dantel Prentice, and
Conducted by Wilifam J. Schofield.
First peal on the bells since being recast by Messrs. Taylor \& Co. in the New Year. The above ringers are all members of the local company, and the peal was rung at the first attempt.

NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.
THE WINCIIESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thursday, October 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 GHANCES;

Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. 26 lbs.
Ernest Dumper...
.... ...Treble William Rowe... ... ... Owen H. Giles... ... ... 2 Charles J. Fray ... ... 6 Albert Marks ... ... ... 3 William H. George ... 7 William G. Edwards ... 4 William T. Tucker ... Tenor

Composed by Join R. Pritchard, and Conducted by William H. George.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Owen H. Giles. The above are all local ringers.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH. On Friday, October 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-cight Minates, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAi OF STEDPAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 8 cwt. o qr. 3 lbs., in A flat. Rev. Williaik C. Pearson Treble Edgar Pemberton... ... 5 William Motts ... ... ... 2 Charles A. Catchpole 6 Rev. A. H. F. Boughey... 3-| James Motts ... ... ... 7 Henry C. Gillingham ... 4 | Charles A. Ward... ...Tenoy Conducted by James Motts.

## PULFORD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Friday, October 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,
A peal of little alzion treble bob mador, 5040 changes;
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr . io lbs., in A flat.
 Wilitam Bibby ... ... + Edivin H. Lewis ... ...Tenor

Composed by H. W. Wilde, and
Conducted by E. H. Lewis.
This is the first peal to be rung in the method.

RUARDEAN, FOREST OF DEAN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. (South Forest Branch.)
On Friday, October 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor I4 $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$., in F.
Lenard Helmes
...Treble
Howard Reid.



* James Bishop ... ... ... 4 Harold Bishop ... ...Tenor Conducted by John Austin.
- First peal inside. The bells were muffled as a token of respect to the late Admiral Francis Starkie Clayton, who was laid to rest in the Ruardean Parish Churchyard the same afternoon.

SHEPSHED, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Botolph,
A PEAL OF GRAHMSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE ;
Taylor's Six-Part.
Tenor $13 \frac{7}{2}$ cwt.
*Albert Roe ... ... ...Tveble
†Harold Pegg

|  | .... | ... reble |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | ... | 2 |

. JOSEPH LORD ... ... ... 6
 Conducted by Josepr Lord.

* First peal. † First peal on a bob bell.


## ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, 'October 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes, At the Church or St. Deny,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 24 cwt .
Percy Marchant ... ...Treble | Albert Reed ... ... ... 5
William Jenner $\ldots . . . . \quad 2$ James A. Hart $\quad . .$.
Alfred J. Pierpoint ... 3 | Charles Brasier ... ... 7
Arthur Cactsey ... $\cdots . .4$ Frederick J. Charman ...Tener Conducted by James A. Hart.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourtcen Minutes,
At tee Abbey Church of St. Laurence,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB FAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor ig cwt.
Frederick C. Perrin ...Treble John Armstrong ... ... 5
Isaac Civill ... ... ... 2 William Saban......$\quad$... 6
William J. Kemp ... ... 3 John H. B. Hesse ... ... 7
Charles T. Coles ... ... 4 Alfred W. Grimes... ... Tenor Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by Alfred W. Grimes
This was the rooth peal rung by the conductor during the present year.

## HORWICK, LANCASHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Thorstans' Five-Part.

Joseph Penaington ... ...Tveble William H. Hunter
John H. Gartside ... 2
John Nuttall ... Conducted by Peter Crojk.

- First peal. † First peal as conductor. First peal of Grandsire on the bells. John Stubbs was elected a member previous to starting for the peal.


## FINEDON, NORTHANTS

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteon Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF CRAMDSIRE TRIPLES, $\quad$ goto ENAMOES;
Carter's Twelve-Part. Tenor 22 cwt 3 qr . ilb.

W. H. Ette ... ... ...Treble A. Smeathers ... ... ... 5 | $\dagger$ J. Backwood | ... | ... | .. | 2 | J. C. Shatrord | ... | .. | 6 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| G. M. Ette | $\ldots$. | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | J. H. Main | ... | ... | ... | 7 |

| $\bullet$ G. M. Ette | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\dagger \mathrm{H}$. | Pettitt | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| 4 | $\circ$ A. Tompkins | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| 7 |  |  |  |  | Conducted by J. H. Main.

- First peal. + First peal away from the tenor. First peal in the method as conductor. The ringers of the treble, 2nd, 3 rd, $4^{\text {th, }}$, and 6th belong to Wellingborough.

WHITEFIELD, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes, At the Church of all Saints

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

 Tenor 22 cwt. Composed by Sam Wood, and Conducted by J. Ridyard.
*First peal of Treble Bob. First peal of Treble Bob on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to $G$. Pincott.

MERTHYR TYDFIL, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LI.ANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Otober 26, 1913, in Three Hours ard Twenty Mimutes, At the Church of St. Tydfil,
A PEAL OF GRAMDSIRE TRIPLE8, b040 CHANGES: Tenor 20 cwt . o qr. 7 lbs .
William Morgan ... ...Treble Albert Hont ... ... ... 5
Frank Chave ... ... ... 2 Frederick B. Stedman ... 6
Charles H. Perry... ... 3 Alban E. Slatter ... ... 7
Charles Paley ... ... 4 P.C. John Cole ... ...Temor Conducted by Alban E. Slatter.
Rung muffled as a last tribute of respect for all those who perished in the lamentable colliery disaster at Senghenydd, Oct. I4th, Igiz. Mr. Perry was elected a member of the Association previous to starting.

EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, October 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minktes, At the Church of St Mary,
A PEAL OF dOUBLE MORWICH GOURT bOB MAJOR, 5024 Changes; Tenor 5 5l c cwt.

Joseph Sharp ... ... ... 4 Keith Hart ... ... .... Composed by Henry Dains, and Conducted by Keith Hart.
First peal in the method on the bells. Messrs. Inwood and Edwards hail from Aldenham and Farnham respectively. Mr. Inwood was elected a member of the association before starting. The band wish, throug'a the "Ringing World," to thank the Vicar, Rev. W. C. Streatfeild, for the use of the bells, and the local band for having everything ready.

## SIX 8 FIVE BELL PEALS.

BOBBING, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, October 5, 1913, in Two Honrs and Thirty-six Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Bartholomew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Kent Treble Bob, Oxfor $\ddagger$ Bob, College Single, and Plain Bob.
Fredrick Hollands ... ...Treble William Nye ... ... ... 4
 William T. Hyland... .... ${ }^{3}$ William H. B. Wilkins Tenor Conducted by W. H. B. Wilkins.
Rung for the Harvest Festival.

SIBLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Plain Bob and Woodbine, and two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor r8f cwt.

H. W. Catterwell. ... ...Treble ${ }_{\text {H }}$ Walter Nice ... ... ... 4 | H. Cansell... | .. | .. | .. | 2 | Albert Catterwell |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Lewis WIseman... | $\ldots$ |  |  |  |  | Leivis Wiseman ......$\quad$... 3 George E. Pannell ... Tenor Conducted by A. Catterwell.

## GESTINGTHORPE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Ortober 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Plain Bob and Woodbine, and two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.
Ernest Turner ... ... ... 2 Albert Catterwell ... 5
Lewis Wiseman ... ... ... 3 -George E. Pannell ...Tenow

Conducted by G. E. Pannell.

- First peal as conductor.


## RUNCORN.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wedresday, October 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF bOB MINOR, 5040 CHAMGES ;

Being seven 720's, each called differently.


* First peal. First peal of Minor for all, except the ringers of the 2nd and 4th, and the first peal of Minor on the bells. Rung in honour of the wedding of Prince Arthur of Connaught and the Duchess of Fife.

WELI-INGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, October 19, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Eight Minutes.
At the Chorch of St. Margaret,
a PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 Chances ; Tenor $17 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.

- J. Naylor ......$\quad$... ...Treble A. Downes ... ... ... 3

†J. E. Lewis ... ... ...Tenor
Conducted by J. E. Lewis.
*First peal, † First peal as conductor. First peal ever rung ons the bells.

Little Comberton, WORCestershire.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(Southern Branch.)
On Monday, October 20, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute,
At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's each of Oxford Bob, Plain Bob and Canterbury Pleasure, and one of Grandsire. Tenor I4 cwt
 James Hemming ... ... ... 2 Frederick Johnson ... 5 Frederick Jordan ... ... 3 Leonard Nichols ... .... Tenor

Conducted ly James Hemming.
Rung as a compliment to Mr. Hubert Salisbury, an esteemed ringer, and who on the above date was married at Elmley Castle, ton Miss Ethel Annie Steed. After the peal the Rector (the Rev. W. D. Lowndes) entertained the band to tea at the Rectory.

BISHOP'S CASTLE, SHROPSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Wednesday, October 22,1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Parish Churga,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES: Ten different callings.
*Edward Jordan ... ...Treble ${ }^{*}$ William Roberts... ... 4 Emmandel Beddoes.. $.2^{-}$William Short... †Charles Minton ... ... 3 *George Robingon ... ...Tenor Conducted by Charles Minton.

* First peal. † First as conductor.


## MOULTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

 THE.IINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Elloe Deaneries Branch.)On Thursday, October 23, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MNOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor $5 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { John Taylor ... ... ...Treble John B. Hallifax ... ... } 4 \\
& \text { George Ladd ... ... ... } 2 \text { George R. Truss ... ... } 5 \\
& \text { Arthor J. Farr ... } . . .3 \text { | Rophrt Richardson … } 3 \text { Tenor } \\
& \text { Conducted by Ropert Richardson. }
\end{aligned}
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## WEST TARRING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, October 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Mimutes, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUSLES, 6040 CHANCES; Tenor 9 cwt .
 Conducted by C. Goldring.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. G. Braden, and this was his first peal with a bob bell.

## WERIKLEY, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-Thyee Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF MINCR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
Matthias Hobbs ... ...Treble Robert Black... ... ... 4 J. Edward Chapman... ... 2 Charles W. Bird ... ... 5
 Conducted by David J. Nichols.

FINCHLEY, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's of Oxford Bob, two of College Single, and three of Plain Bob, each called differently.
Frederick S. Tobb ... ....Treble | William Webb... ... ... 4 Frederick Grisdale ... 2 Bertram Tubb... ... ... 5 Grorge M. Kilby ... ... 3 Frederick A. Barker ... Temor Conducted by Frederick A. Barker.
Rung, after meeting short for Kent Treble Bob, as a birthday compliment to W.H. Tabb, the oldest member of the local band, on his fogth birthday.

MATHON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, October. 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College
Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.
Tenor 8 cwt .
Charles Powell ... ...Treble | Ernest Gibbs ... ... ... 4
Charles Weobley ... ... 2 *Andrew Layton ... ... 5 Charles Layton ... ... 3 | George Jordan ... ...Tenor

Conducted by Andrew Layton.

* First peal as conductor and first attempt. Rung on the occasion of the harvest festival, also as a birthday compliment to the conductor.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

WISBECH, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, October 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being seven 720's called differently.

| Thomas Banham | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | I | Stanley E. Andrews ... | $3-4$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Horace Banham | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Ralph Narborough | .. | $5-6$ |

Conducted by Ralph Narborodgh.
SOUTHALL, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wedresday, October 22, 1913, in Two Hows and Thirty-eight Minutes, At 54, Beachicroft Avende,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Taylor's.

- George E. Harbour ... I-2 ${ }^{2}$ *James R. Mackman … 5 - 6
J. Armiger Trollope... 3-4 William Lawrence $\quad .$. Conducted by J. R. Mackman.

Umpire: C. Edwards.

* First peal on handbells.

SCARBOROUGH, YORKS.
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, October 26, 1913, in One Hour and Forty-Seven Minutes,
At the Residence of H. Gibson,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGEEI
Being seven 720's called differently.
John R. Barton ... ... i-2 | Albert Coates ... ... 3-4 Harry Gibson ... ... ... 5-6 Conducted by J. R. Barton. Witness, Mrs. Gibson.
Rung to celebrate the 59th anniversary of the charge of the Light Brigade at Balaclava, also as a birthday compliment to H. Gibson and the conductor.

## "COMING=OF=AGE" PEALS.

The three following peals were rung in celebration of the conning-of age of Miss Elsie L. Bennett:

## LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, October 22, 1913, in T T Ho Fours and Forty-nine Jinutes, At 3, Hart's Lane, New Cross,
A PEAL OF STEDPAN GATERS, 5011 CHANGES;
Miss Elsie L. Bennett I-2 | George R. Pye ... ${ }^{\text {... }}$ 5-6 William Pye ... ... ... 3-4 | Franik I. Hairs ... ... 7 7- 8 Frank Bennett ... ... 9-io
Composed by Frank Bennett, and
Conducted by William Pye.
Umpires: Miss Alice White and A. Flück. Witness: H. Thornley.

## LONDON.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, October 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Eight Minztes, At 3, Hart's Lane, New Cross,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

| Miss Elsie L: Bennett | x-2 | Arthur Shepherd | ... | $5-6$ |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Shepherd | .. | $3-4$ | Frank I. Hairs | ... | $\cdots$ | $7-8$ | Composed by Frank Hopgood, and Conducted by William Shepherd.

Rung after meeting short for Bob Royal.

## LONDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. On Saturday, Octobey 25, 1913, in Tro Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At 3, Hart's Lane; New Cross,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANOES;

Miss Elsie L. Bennett I-2 ${ }^{2}$ Frank I. Hairs ... ... 5-6 John D. Matthews ... 3-4 Frank Bennent ... ... $7-8$ Composed by J. Armiger Trollofe, and

Conducted by Frank Bennett.
Witness: Miss Nora Hairs.

## THE SURREY WEEK.

The following seven peals were rung during the week's tour of the County, embracing eleven attempts, October zoth to 25 th, 1913.

ASHTEAD, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
Or Monday, October 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Sis Minutes,"
At the Church of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH COURT BBB MAJOR, 5024 CMANGES;
Tenor 14 cwt.

| Josiah D. Harris | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Treble | George Preston | ... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William H. Fussele | $\ldots$ | 2 | George Williams | ... | .. | 6 |
| Lionel H. Page | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | Edwin J. Harding.... | ... | 7 | | Lionel H. Page... | ... | 3 | Edwin J. Harding ... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William J. Nevard ... | ... | 4 | James H. Serepherd | ...$T$ enoy |  |

Composed by Henry Dains, and
Conducted by Geo. Williams.
Rung after an attempt of 2 hrs. and 28 mins. at St. Mary's, Leatherhead, for a peal of Stedman Caters in the morning.

## KINGSTON-ON-THAMES, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, October 21, 1913, in Thrbe Hours and Twonty-eight Minutes, At the Church of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GATERS, 5079 CHANGES;
Tenor 33 cwt., in $C$.
George Williams ... ...Treble William H. Fussell ... 6 George Preston... $\operatorname{lll}^{2}$... 2 John Evans ...... Alfred W. Grimes ... ... 3 Keith Hart ... ... ... 8 William J. Nevard... ... 4 Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn .. 9 John C. Tross ... ... ... 5 James H. Shepherd ...Tenor

Composed by Henry Johnson, and
Conducted by Geo. Williams.
An attempt for Stedman Triples at All Saints', Carshalton, in the morning failed in the eleventh course. Rung on the anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar.

## BLETCHINGLEY, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Oct. 22, 1913, in Three Howrs and Thirteen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt .

| William J. Nevard | $\ldots$. Tyeble | John Evans | ... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| * Lionel H. Page $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | 2 | Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn | .. | 6 |
| William H. Fussell | $\ldots$ | 3 | Alfred W. Grimes | $\ldots$ | 7 | | William H. Fussell | .. | 3 | Alfred W. Grimes | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| George Williams .... | 7 | 4 | Keith Hart ... | ... |

Composed by N. J. Pitstow, and Conducted by Keith Hart.
*First attempt for a Surprise peal.

## REIGATE, SURREY

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION
On Wednesday, October 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At the Ceurch of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BDB ROYAL, 5040 CHANEES; Tenor 19 cwt.
George Williams
Keith Hart.........Treble
Alfred W. Grimes $\ldots$

BENHILTON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, October 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,. At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF SUPIRLATIVE ©URPRI8E HAJOR, 5056 CHANGE8:
Tenor ris cwt.
George Preston ... ...Tyeble Frank Bennett ... ... 5 William H. Fussell ... 2 Ernest C. Lambert.. .6 George Williams ... ... 3. John C. Truss... ... ... 7 Lionel H. Page ... ... 4 Alfred W. Grimes... ...Teno;* Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.
Mr . Grimes has now scored a peal in too towers. Mr. Bennett's: Iooth peal of Superlative. Mr. Shepherd also rang here, completing: Ioo towers during the present year.

## EPSOM,. SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, October 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Ton Minutes,
At the Church of Christ (or Christ Churgh on the Downs),
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE BAJOR, 5056 CHANCES:

## Tenor 12 cw

James H Shepherd ... ...Treble Ernest 6 .
William H. Fossell ...Treble John Evans... ... ... ... 3 Ernest C. Lambert William J. Nevard $\quad . . .5$ Frank Bennett... ... ... 4 Grorge Williams ... ....Tenori Composed by C. Middieton, and Conducted by G.. Williams.

* First peal in the method.

CROYDON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minntes,
At the Chunch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STEDAAN CATERS, 5079 CHAMGES;
Tenor 30 cwt. o qr. 2 lbs.
George Williams ... ...Tyeble William J. Nevard ... 6
George Preston ......${ }^{2} \quad 2$ John Evans ......

| Charles Dean | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | George A. Card | ... | ... | 8 |
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| Ernfest C. Lambert | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 4 | James H.. Shepherd | $\ldots$ | 9 |  |  | William H. Fussell ... 5 James Parker... ... ...Tenor Composed by Henry Johnson, and Conducted by George Wimliams.

The peal at Edenham on October I2th was rung in two hours and forty-seven minutes, not two hours and twenty-seven minutes as. published.

## ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.

The tower chosen for the October meeting of the Romney Marsh and District Guild was Iden, where there is a nice ring of six. The beautiful bells and glorious weather, howover, failed to bring but few to the gathering which was held on Saturday week. On each occasion that the Guild has visited Iden, the muster has been poor, but the reason of it is unexplainable. Hawkhurst, Rye, Stone-in-Oxney, and the local tower were represented, and the ringing consisted of a 720 of BobMinor and Grandsire Doubles.- At the business meeting it was decided to endeavour to procure Ashford bells for a peal of Grandsire Triples. while the next meeting will be held at Rolvenden on the 15 th November. -A vote of thanks to the Rev. - Bates. for the use of the bells concluded the proceedings.

## MALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

## OONTEST AT BATLTEY

The quarterly meeting and six-bell contest of the Halifax and district Association was theld at Batley on Saturday week, when about $60 \mathrm{mem}-$ bers and friends were present.' Seven companies took part in the contest, the ringing being good throughout. Tea was served during the afternoon, and the meeting took place in the Parochial Hall at the oonclusion of the competition. Mr. Cotterell (the president) was in the chair, and was supported by the Vicar (the Rev. -. Lowe) and the society's officers.-It was decided that the next meeting for practice be held at Batley Carr, the secretary to make arrangements and advertise the date in "The Ringing World."-A hearty vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Goodall, and seconded by Mr. Idle, to the local braneh, and the ladies for the excellent manner they had entertained the visitors, and Mr. Scholey suitably replied. A vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for the mise of the bells was proposed from the chair, and seconded by Mr. Drake.
The result of the contest was then announced by Mr. Broadley as follows:-Brighouse, 225 faults; Hepstonstall, 214 faults; Calverley, 150 faults; Earlsheaton, 148 faults; Kirkheaton, 156 faults; Bustall, 350 faults; Halifax, 171 faults. Earlsheaton were, therefore, declared winners.
The Vicar, in replying to the vote of thanke, expressed his great pleasure at being among the ringers. He knew nothing about the science of change ringing, and some of the terms he had heard used that evening were "Double Dutch " to him, but he knew when the bells were rung properly, and be had been visiting at the far end of the village that afternoon, and thought how nice they had sounded. It was, he considered, part of the clergyman's duty to get amongst the ringers as much as possible, because they were all working for the glory of God. He had great pleasure in presenting the cup to the conductor of the winning team. - Mr. Hardy received the cup, and suitably thanked the Vicar.-This brought to a close another successful and enjoyable meeting.

## LITTLE ALBION TREBLE BOB MAJOR.

The first peal in this method, of which the figures are appended, was rung at Pulford, Cheshire, on Friday last.

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Ang Plain Bob composition, produced by bobs only at WT. M. H., will run to Little Albion, or half of any peal of Little Bob, which has two singles only, will run by omitting the single. Any composition of Little Albion, by inserting leads of Little Bob, may be shortened as lesired.

## TO THE MEMORY OF LIVINGSTONE.

On Saturday week, the unveiling of a memorial tablet to David Livingstone took place at Hadley, Middlesex. The proceedings commenced with a service in Hadley Church, at which the Bishop of Willesden was the preacher. Afterwards the choir and clergy, together with the congregation, marched in procession to a house on Hadley Green, once the residence of the great missionary-explorer, where had been erected the tablet, and the unveiling ceremony was performed by the doctor's only surviving danghter, Mrs. Livingstone Wilson. 720 Grandsire Doubles was rung for the service by the following members of Hadley and Barnet bands: W. Parker 1, R. Roffey 2, A. Trappett 3, J. Wicks 4, W. Daniels (conductor) 5, T. Lilley 6. Ringing also took place during the erening, in which the above and J. Sumpter and W. Ghilds took part, the methods including Grandsire Doubles and Plain Bob, and Grandsire Minor.

## HANDBELLS IN THE CHURCHYARD.

At Blunsden, Wilts, an entirely novel way of marking the harrest fostival was obscrved. The church bells are now at the founders, and, therefore, could not be rung, but three ringers (Messis. J. Vincent, E Bail and $H$. Weston) gave selections of sacred music on handbells in the churchyard, before both morning and evening services.

The second bell of the old ring of four was cracked on Easter Day during the ringing, and at a meeting of parishioners held subeequently, it was decided to have the front three recast, and to two more trebles to make a peal of six. The contract has been placed with Messrs. Warner and Sons, of the Spitalfields Bell Foundry
In the case of Blunsden, at any rate, out of evil has come good.

## "RINGERS' WANTS"。

## SLOUGH'S EXAMPLE TO OTHER CHURCHES.

An important gathering took place at the Parish. Church of. St. Mary, Slough, the other day, and as this was probably the first occasion on record that such a unique combination of interests have been brought together to consider the question of "Ringers" Wants," the proceedings are here set forth, as anexample to other parishes, where scant attention has hitherto been paid to the man in the belfry.
The ceiling of the ringing room, consists of stout joists, matchboarded on the underside, and covered with a water-tight lead flat, the space between being flled if with slagwool, a modern highly approved material for deadening sound. The new peal of eight bells are carried on steel joists some 6 ft . above this ceiling, which is the only floor between the ringers and the bolls. The usual result followed this ar-rangement-particularly so in the case of a spire-there was too much clash and din in the ringing room when the bells were being rung or chimed for service.

The parish authorities from the Rector and churchwardens, down to the humblest member of the Building Committee, all agreed it was a noisy apartment, but referred to other important requirements about the ohurch, and the serious need of a fund to provide a second floor. Thus it seemed that St. Mary's tower (like many others throughout the country), a beautiful structure, fresh from the hands of the architect and the builder, was to be a permanent annoyance to the ringers for all time. To the lasting credit of the donor of the new tower and bells, it may be recorded that as soon as he was aware of the fault a general meeting was called to test on the spot by practical and personal experience the best way to remedy it. There were present the Rev. Canon Elliott, M.A., R.D., Rector; Mr. Fred Parker, churchwarden; Mr. James Elliman, the donor; Mr. Wm. Wilder, steeplekeeper; Mr. C. Scott, F.R.I.B.A., the architect (in succession to his father, the late Mr Aldred Scott, F.S.A.). ; Mr. H. D. Bowyer, the contractor; Mr. A. H. Hughes, for the bell founders, Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of Whitechapel; and the following mernbers of the St. Nary's Society of Change Ringers.-Messrs. Purdue, W. H. Fussell. A. Leader, Smith, G. T. Leader, Hooper (conductor), Flaxman, and Perryman.-A short touch of Grandsire Triples was rung with the distinguished visitors in the belfry, and afterwards they inspected the higher floor. The recult of their investigation was a direct order to the Rector to do what was necessary, and provide a second floor, and this will speedily be carried out by the builder.
Later, a well-struck 504 was brought round with the steeplekeeper and bell founder ringing, and the company dispersed, little knowing that the happy results in this particular case may, perhaps, lead to similar needed improvements being carried out in many a distant parish church.

## REVIVING INTEREST AT STAMFORD

A very successful meeting of the Southern Branch of the Lincoln Guild was held at Stamford on Saturday week, members attending from Grantham, Bourne, Surfleet, Colsterworth, Ingoldsby, Belton, and Deeping, together with the local men. The towers of All Saints', St. Martin's and St. Michael's were open for ringing, the methods rung including Plain Bob, Double Gourt, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Cambridge Surprise. A special object of the meeting was to try and revive the art of change ringing amongst the local men, and the officials of the branch were heartily supported by Mr. and Mrs. Henson, of the Crown Hotel, who very generously invited the whole party, numbering about 30, to tea.-At the business meeting following, the Rev. H. Law James occupied the chair, and was supported by the Rev. C. J. Sturton, Vicar of Orston.

Barkeston was chosen as the place for the annual meeting of the branch, to be held in January. Seven performing and three life members were elected.-Upon the proposition of the Rev. II. Law James, a vote of sympathy was accorded to the president of the branch (the Rev. E. W. Caspenter) on the death of his brother, Dr A. B. Carpenter.A hearty vote of thanks to Host and Hostess Henson for their kindness in providing tea, to the Rev. H. Taw Jrmes for presiding, and to the various incumbents for the use of the bells, brought a very successful meeting to a close.

## WEIGHTS AND NOTE OF BELLS.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir,-Your correspondent, C. Adiere, opens up an excellent subject for debate. The craze of the five-tone system of tuning is responsible for the breaking up of some of our fine old rings of bells which can never be replaced. I have had the opportunity of hearing and ringing on a number of new rings of eight, ten and twelve, and with the exception of one or tro peals of eight they are, in my estimation, miserable failures.
Of course there are many ringers who like them because the large bells make a big bellowing noise, but where are the small bells? In all cases that have come under my observation the front bells are much too light. Will these bells be as good in a hundred years' time as they are now? Certainly not, then why are they tolerated? Let us hand down to our descendants as good bells as our forefathens handed down to us. I should like to see a much abler pen than mine take up this matter, and explain why the trebles of peals of ten and twelve have to be so small if tuned on the Simpson five-tone prinoiple.

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8tedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on May 11th, 1912.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association, June 1st. Stedman Cinques by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17th.
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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

## YOUTHFUL RINGERS.

A fortnight ago we recorded a $7^{20}$ Grandsire Minor rung at Bridgwater, where the bells have a 25 cwt . tenor, in which some very youthful ringers took part. The 720 was rung with $7-8$ covering by C. V. Fry 1, Ruth Coles 2, H. J. Jennings 3, H. West 4, C. Sanderson 5, A. E. Coles

(conductor) 6, E. Stockham 7, and E. Tucker 8. It was the first 720 by all except the conductor.

This week we have pleasure in giving the photograph of these youthful ringers, four of whom are still at school.

## ODD CHANGES.

Mr. Alf. Grimes has achieved an unique distinction by ringing, on Saturday last, his rooth peal this year. This exceptional record is the more remarkable inasmuch as it is the second year in succession that Mr. Grimes has scored a century, a feat, we believe we are right in saying, that no one has before succeeded in. Interest in his performances for the rest of this year will centre in the possibility of his surpassing the record of 127 , put up by Mr. I. W. Washbrook about a auarter of a century ago.

To beat this previous best performance Mr. Grimes has nine weeks left in which to ring 28 peals. It is a formidable task, but it is one which is not beyond the realms of possibility, especially when one has such an insatiable love of peal ringing and the opportunities that Mr. Grimes has. More power to your elbow, Alfred, if you are out for records!

The charming little bell pendants which Mr. J. Comber, jeweller of Woking, has put on the market, as a badge of the craft, have proved just the thing that ringers have been looking for. The neatness of the design appeals to
those with artistic tastes, and the ready sale which the pendants are obtaining is proving their popularity. Mr . Comber's advertisement on another page give particulars as to prices, etc.

There was a triple event in the century line at Benhilton last Friday during the Surrey tour. It was the Iooth peal of Superlative by the conductor (Mr. F. Bennett) ; the Iooth tower in which Mr. A. W. Grimes has rung a peal ; and the rooth tower in which Mr. J. H. Shepherd, who did not talse part in the peal, and whose greatest hobby is new towers, has rung this year.

The six bells of Cookham, Berks, which are being restored and rehung in a steel frame by Messrs. Warner and Sons, who are recasting the treble and fourth, are to be re-dedicated by the Archdeacon of Berks on Sunday, December 7 th, and opened by the local ringers.

We understand that Mr. James George, of Rugby fame, has decided to celebrate his 6oth birthday, which occurs on November 27 th, by arranging for a series of peals in the Birmingham district, and by a social gathering on Saturday, November 29th. Many of his ringing friends will be joining him in these peals, but as there will be a large number who cannot possibly get to Birmingham, we feel sure Mr. George would deeply appreciate any peals that might be rung in his honour by ringers in different parts of the country.

A tablet in commemoration of the record peal of Stedman Caters rung at Loughborough on Easter Monday, 1909, will be unveiled on Saturday, November i5th, at 3 p.m., at All Saints' Church. Ringers who appreciate the magnitude of that great performance - 18,027 changes rung in 12 hrs. 18 mins.-will be glad to learn that a permanent record of the event is to be provided in the tower where the peal was rung.

The new ring of eight bells by Messrs. Taylor and Co., at Pontypridd, Glamorganshire, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Llandaff on Tuesday, November 4 th, at 3.15 .

The historical ring of bells at Peterstone, Marshfield, Mon., which have not been rung for about ioo years, are being restored by Messrs. John Warner and Sons. Several of the peal have been recast, and two more added to complete the octave, and they will be rung for the first time on Saturday, November 8th. All ringers are invited to attend.

In connection with the dedication of Shoreditch bells on Monday next it should be clearly understood that there will be no general ringing on that occasion. The ringers' day will be on Saturday, November 8 th, when the tower will be open to all, and, as the date coincides with another important event-the College Youths annual dinner-there will doubtless be a large number of visitors. Particulars will be found in our notice columns.

Chelmsford Cathedral will not long be the only church possessing a ring of 12 in the county of Essex. Tenders have been invited and received for four trebles to be added to the ring of 8 at Saffron Walden.

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#### Abstract

bells destroyed by fire.

\section*{BELT ClANDON STEPTED BTRNED RRE.}

Oue of the most historro churches in the country-that of West Clandon, near Guiidford-the family church of the Onslows, was seriously damaged by fire on Monday morning. The outbreak occurred in the slingle steeple, which with five of the six bells, was completely destroyed. The alarm was at once taken to Onslow Park, the Earrl of Onelow's residenoe, which is about 300 yards distant, and his lordship and his private fire brigade were on the scene within ten minutes and rendered most effective service. Their efforts were soon supplemented by the Guildford Fire Brigade, but the fire was not got under until the steople had collapsed, and the contents of the tower were destroyed. The altar, altar vessels, a valuable antique fresco, and the parish registers, which date back to 1536 , were rescued, while the old ork Onslow pews and the chancel window were found to be uninjured. The churoh is insured. The bells, three of which were by Thomas Lester, and dated 1741, were rung for service on Sunday evening. Shortly before the outbreak, a clock winder went into the belfry to wind the clock, but apparently noticed nothing amiss. Clandon has had for some years one of the best six-bell bands in the Winch oster Guild, and they have rung a number of Surprise peals. The bells of West Clandon Church were not, of course, anything like as old as the building itself, but three of them clated back to 1741 . Originally all the six were of this date, but in 1875, the 3rd, 4th and 5th were recast. The bells bore the following inscriptions:- Treble: At Propper times my Doice Il Raies unto my Bennifactor Praise. Thomas Lester Made Me 1741 . 2nd: Thomas Lester of London Made Me 1741. 3rd: Ring out the False. Mears and Stainbank Founders London 1875.

4th: Ring in the True. Mears and Stainbank Founders Tondon 1875. 5th: My tongue ehall sing of thy righteousness. Mears and Stainbank Founders London 1875. Tenor: Thhmas Lester of London made us all 1741. The weight of the tenor bell was, $17 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., its diameter across the mouth being 46 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.

\section*{LaNCASHIRE CHURCH BURNED DOWN.}

Leck Parish Church, near Kirkby Lonsdalo, was destroyed by fire last week. The roof and tower collapsed, and two of the five bells, the communion plate and altar ornaments were melted. The damage, amounting to $£ 5,000$, is covered by insurance.


## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM. veterans lead the way.

The last quarterly meeting of the year was held at Wandeworth on Saturday. The bells were raised about 4 o'clock, and it speaks well for the interest the older members still take in the doings of their Guild, that the average age of the first five members to arrive was sixty. They immediately proceeded to raise the back five in peal, and were
subjected to much good-humoured banter at their combined total of subjected to much good-humoured banter at their combined total of
300 years. Tea was partaken of at the St. Mary's Refreshment Rooms, and it is a matter for regret that more members did not put in an appearance at this, the hostess having provided ver
The business meeting followed the tea, the Vice-President, Mr. Sanuel Reeves being in the chair. Routine matters having been disposed of; the Secretary gave the requisite three months' notice of his intention to propose an alteration to rules at the next meeting, while Mrs. Preston, on behalf of Mr. C. Dickene, gave similar notice.
The bells were kept going during the afternoon and evening, good touches in the standard methods being accomplished.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

A successful meeting of the Wotton-under-Edge and District Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association was held at Cam, near Dursley, on Saturday last. Over 30 members attended from Berkeley, Dursley, Thornbury, Wotton-under-Edge, Stinchcombe, Slimbridge, Stone and Wickwar, and the local band was also well represented. Several six scores of Grandsire and Stedman were rung before tea, which
was prorided in the schools. The business meeting was subsequently was prorided in the
held, when MI. F. K. Howell (
(chairman of the branch) presided, and proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar (the Rev. E. Roberts) for so kindly placing his bells at the disposal of the members, and for providing such an excellent tea. He deeply regretted the absence of the Vicar, who was confined to the house owing to a slight chill, and
trusted he would have a speedy recovery.-Tortworth was the place trusted he would have a speedy recovery. Tortworth was the place decided on for the next monthly meeting.-Two of the local band were
elected members of the Association.-The tower was then again visited, elected mermbers of the Association.-The tower was then again visited, and the bells (six in number) kept going in Grandsire, Stedman, Plain, Oxford, and Kent Treble Bob till late in the evening.

SHERBURN-IN-ELMET, YORKS.-On July 13th, for evening service, 672 changes, Bob Major: G. Thornton (conductor) 1, W. Idle (Dewsbury) 2, H. Bradley 3, H. Gill 4, G. Wilson 5, J. Bradley 6, W. Foster 7, Ted Wigglesworth 8.

THE ART IN AMERICA.

## BOSTON RINGERS MEET ENCOURAGEMENT AND ORIIICISM.

 By Dr. A. H. Nichols.Upon the evening of Octaber 3rd, the Boston Guild (U.S.A.) rang, by invitation, the bells of Memorial Tower, Hingham, upon the occasion of a public reception held to mark the success of the mission to Hingham, England, to present a stone to be set in the market place of the mother town. Among several touches rung were 360 Grandsire Triples: Alexander Matthew 1, Stephen J. Perkins 2, Ernest E. Randall 3, James F. Laker 4, Gordon Mackman 5, William Bashford 6, Philip J. Allfrey 7. Richard Newton (conductor)' 8 . This is the longest touch achieved by Mr. Matthew, the first pupil of the Guild.
That the Bostou band is gradually establishing an honourable positiou, and supplying a genuine demand, in the community, will appoar from its engagements for the current week, as follows:-
October 7th.- Public performance on handbells at Tremont Temple at the Convention of the Sons of St. George, a British organisation.
October 8th.- Exhibit ringing of one hour at Christ Church by iuvitation of the American Bankers' Association, a national instilution holding its meeting in this city. For this especial service they will receive an honorarium of ten pounds, which will serve, it may be hoped, as precedent for future remuneration when our work is not voluntary.
October 12th.-P.M. Serviee ringing at Ohrist Church
October 13th.-A.M. Attempt at a complete peal at Christ Church.
P.M. Quarter-peal at the Perkins' Institution for the Blind.
If our progress has been upon the whole fairly successful, we have not failed to encounter a few snage, the removal of which has called for the exercise of both patience and tact. It is a poor rule to "talk back," however unreasonable our adverse critics, who have in reality been very few. Protests from homes in which sickness was prevailing have becn quieted by sympathetic visite and temporary suspension of practice. Again, where certain artisans employed by night required sleep by day, their disturbance has been avoided by a concession as to hours of neeting. A more difficult problem consists in meeting the novel complaints of individuals prevented by the noise of the bells from the use of the telephone; and it is conceivable that we might obstruct the transmission of an important communication.
Good bells being exceptionally sonorous, are apt to be noisy in the immediate ricinity of the tower when not hung at a considerable altitude. Paiuswick bells, for example, famous for their mellow sweetness, emit one jargon of sounds when heard in the churchyard below the tower. How, then, are we to treat these bells which to those dwelling near by may constitute a veritable nuisance? It seems certainly a pity to smother such instruments by bricking the belfry arches, and thus impairing their carrying power which may be their chief merit. A more legitimate treatment would consist in the use of clappers of less weight or softer material. Why not modify the harsh, metallic impact of the clapper by some process similar to that employed in handbells?
Again, if towers are noisy then it must be admitted that longcontinued ringing is inexpedient, and hence prolonged performances are inadmissible except upon holidays, or rare occasions of rcjoicing. Now, inasmuch as all our towers are open to the objection of noise
and while introducing our art to a new field, our policy is to avoid and while introducing our art to a new field, our policy is to avoid
above all things giving offence to even a few, we cannot aspire, for a time at least, to the achievement of many peals; for our experience is, that the interest of the public is to be gained by good striking rather than by demonstrations of physical endurance. Whilile we have no disposition to say anything in disparagement of the long performances which have commanded such universal admiration, we are of the opinion that there are also ather tests of meritorious work. It is pertinent, therefore, to enquire, if orators, singers, musicians and certain other artists are estimated by the merit, rather than by the period of continuance, of their productions, why should ringers assign for themselves a totally different standard of measurement :
Customs change, modified by climate, environment and local prejudices; and as change ringing extends to our American cities, the tendency will doubtless be to propitiate and attract the public by exhibit, rather than by peal performances. Indeed the very interest awakened by the art proves an estopper to peal ringing. Thus it not infrequently happens that our friends in their desire to watch the men engaged at the ropes, or the bells in motion, flock to the towers, like boys to a circus, an intrusion which must be submitted to, however obstructive to any concentrated mental action.
It is by such methods, however, that we are amplifying our relations with influential people, who have extended many tokens of encouragement. Among theso may be mentioned a recent offer of a gift of a ring of heavy bells, made with the design of fostering our art.

RAINIIAM, KENT.-On October 8th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, ill 48 mins. : "S. Champion 1, W. Haigh (conductor) 2, F. OckWalker 7, C. Belsey 8. First quarter on the bells since being rehung. * First quarter. - On October 12th, a quartor-poal of Graudsire Triples, in 48 mins. : S. Champion 1, W. Easter 2, F. Ockwell 3, F. H. Champion 4, F. Belsey (conductor) 5, W. J. Walker 6, C. Pelsey 7, R. Tucker (first quarter) 8.

## Chelmsford Cathedral.



The new ring of 12 bells (Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs.) for Chelmsford Cathedral was dedicated by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans on Saturday, September 27th, 1913.

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## SURFLEET TREBLE BOB CATERS.

THF REV. H. LAW JAMES REPLIES TO CRITICS.

## To the Editor.

Sir, -When I wrote the note to the peal rung here on September 13 th, I fully expected that it would lead to a disoussion, and I am agreeably surprised to find that the discussion is covering more ground than I expected. It has actually raised four questions:-
i.-What's in a name?
ii.- What is the relationship between scientific language and ordinary language?
iii.-What is the relationship between theory and practice? Which involves the further question: What is a Cater method?
iv. What is Treble Bob?

Now, these four questions are all important, and 1 propose to try and answer them one by one, with a view to showing, as far as possible, where we really do stand.
i.-What's in a name? There is an old saying, "give a dog a bad name and lhang him," and there is a large amount of truth in it. In theory, the name does not matter: but in practice a good name helps a method forward, while a bad name holds it back, and we want as far as possible to use names in order to encourage the ringing of good methods, and discourage the use of bad ones.
ii.-What is the relationship between scientific language and ordinary language? I answer, that in ringing, the relationship between these two must be exactly the same as it is in all other matters. We still talk about sunset in ordinary language, but when we wish to be accurate we avoid the term; and so in ringing we shall still talk about Oxford Treble Bob Caters, when we need to speak of it, but when we want to be accurate we shall call it a nine-bell method, and declare that it is not Caters.
iii. What is the relationship between theory and practice? etc. This is the most important question of all, and here more people go astray than anywhere else. It is 60 nice to be perfectly logical on the one hand, or so easy to throw them to the winds on the other, but the result of doing either of these is fatal. Change ringing is certainly mathematical, but at the same time we must remember that it is applied not pure mathematics. It is well worth while to find out what things ought to be in theory, but we must always test our theory by practical oonsiderations.

And now I come to the further question, What is a Cater method? In order to get a satisfactory answer, we had better take a wider outlook. We find that changes on five bells are called Doubles, on seven Triples, on nine Caters, and on 11 Cinques, and these names imply that the whole of the bells except one change every time. We find that changes on six bells are called Minor, on eight Major, on ten Royal, and on 12 Naximus, and these names do not imply anything about the nature of the changes.

Now, in theory, undoubtedly the best methods follow the rule that the largest number of bells possible should change every time, and so the man who wishes to be logically correct is tempted to state that Doubles must be all double changes; Minor, triple and double changes alternately, and so on. But when we consider the matter practically this whll not do. If we confine our attention to Plain Major methods the result is quite satisfactory, but the moment we turn to Treble Bob methods it breaks down. I have 125 pure Treble Bob Major methods in which the changes are Caters and Triples alternately, the first of these is Oxford Treble Bob, and not one of the whole group is anything better, from a musioal point of view, than Oxford; they all part the tenors hopelessly. I have also 246 Mixed Treble Bob Maior methods in which the changes are not alternate Caters and Triples. The first of these is Kent, and although in strict theory these are not so good as Oxford; in practice they are very much better.

The three old standard Surprise methods tell us the same thing. Superlative keeps the rule, but produces very bad music. Cambridge and London break the rule, but are far better methods. Now, up jumps the man on the other side, who ignores facts and wishes to be consistent, and he says if the theoretical rule must not be applied to Major it must not to Doubles, Triples, Caters and Cinques. Why not? Oh, because it is inconsistent. As if that had anything to do with it. Let us look at these odd bell methods. On five bells we have one method, new doubles and its reverse variation, which are not all double changes, and yet is worth ringing, and this is the only exception. On $5,7,9$ and 11 bells every other odd bell method worth ringing keeps this rule, and this is not simply my opinion, it is the result of the actual experience of the whole Exercise for the last 200 years-the only methods which have been generally rung on odd numbers of bells keep this rule. Therefore, I maintain, that when we are making accurate statements we must abide by this rule on odd numbers, becausa both theory and practice suggest it; but on even numbers in Trelile Bob methods we must aim at breaking this rule, because methods which keep it are practically useless.
iv.- What is a Treble Bcib method? A Treble Bob method, as we know it on $6,8,10$ and 12 bells, is a method in which the treble dodges in all possible dedoing positions. We wish to extend this to nine bells. How can it be done? I answer, in nine bells the treble must dodge in all prossible dodging positions, and there are only four, the same as in Major, and an odd place left over.

## What are these four. 2-3, 4-5, 6-7 and 8-9 <br> or $1-2,3-4,5-6$ and $7-8$ or $1-2,4-5,6-7$ and $8-9$ <br> or 1-2, 3-4, 6-7 and 8-9 <br> or 1-2, 3-4, 5-6 and 8-9

-five possible arrangements.
If the method is to be Treble Bob, the treble must follow one or other of these arrangements, and this involves four blows in the odd place, wherever that odd place be. The first and second arrangement will not do, because they involve four blows in front and four blows behind, and this involves a triple change. The third arrangement forces the treble to make 3rdl's place, both up and down, the fourth forcea her to make 5th's, and the last, 7th's, and either of these will satisfy the conditions. I therefore submit that the peal rung at Surfleet on September 13th, 1913, is really the first peal of Treble Bob Caters ever rung, for, of course, we all know that a Single produces a Triple change in any peal of Caters, and no one but a mere pedant would object to that.
Finally, Grandsire Caters and Stedman Caters are both rather threadbear; Drouble Norwich Caters is not much rung, probably beoause of the odd and even dodging position in the same method; here is a new thing. It is Treble Bob, and every Treble Bob ringer will bo able to learn it in a few minutes and ring it. The plain course is all Cater changes, the work is interesting, and the music good.- Yours truly,
H. LAW JAMES.

Dear Sir,-Do Mr. Trollope and Mr. A. Paddon Smith really think that the nomenclature for changes produced on odd numbers of bells merely came about in a haphazard way. The words Doubles, Triples, Caters and Cinques, are very significant. These words are defined in the Glossary as the changes produced on Five, Seven, Nine and Eleven bells respectively, in which Two, Three, Four and Five Pairs of bells respectively interchange at each permutation, and speak for themselves. It would be interesting to know what the eminent living members of the C.C. Committee, who were responsible for the drawing up of the Glossary, have to cay on the subject. In the words of your leading article in the last issue, Mr. Editor " there are those who desire to see the theoretical side put upon a firm and logical basis." Why have these descriptive names if we do not adhere to what they clearly mean? With regard to singles used in odd bell systems, they are in some cases necessary to oltain the extent, or to turn the course of the changes. Mr. Trollope refers to even-bell systems, but they have nothing to do with the case, neither are their names indicative of the number of changing pairs. With regard to our friends' criticism of Grandsire Triples, may I just point out that extents in this method, containing all triple changes, have been obtained and rung.-Yours truly,

CLEMENT GLENN.

Dear Sir,-The letters appearing in your columns on the above subject have interested me greatly, but $I$ do not wish to enter into the controversy as to the right of Nir. James to call his peal the first of Treble Bob Caters.

What I am concerned about is the attitude taken up by the Birmingham men. We all recognise the genius of Thurstans and Johnson, but great as they undoubtedly were, they were not infallible. If I judge aright from the tone of the letters of Messrs. Carter and Smith, they will refuse to recognise any system of Treble Bob Caters, no matter how good, because those two masters have handed down to us a form which the most lukewarm supporter of legitimacy would term irregular.
I may be doing Messrs. Carter and Smith an injustice, in which case I humbly apologise. If, however, my interpretation is correct, they will see the unfairness of the position they have taken. The method must be judged on its merits, without regard to the composer, or what Mr. James has said or done.

If they believe with me that it is the best form into which regular Treble Bob Caters can be cast, and that the hunt is a basis for the formation of many good methods, they will realise that it is to the best interest of the Exercise that the ringing of the method should be encouraged.

Everyone knows the keenness of the Birmingham men in promoting the art of change ringing, and their aftitude towards it will greatly influence the reception of the method by the Exercise. They are, therefore, bound to judge it impartially, without regard to any claim they may make as to the Treble Bob Caters already rung by their Guild, and not to discourage the ringing of it without good reason. Yours sincerely, JOSEPII W. PARKER

Dear Sir,-On reading Mr. Trollope's letter in your issue of Octobel 17th, I could not help feeling that it was somewhat misleading, and that I should like to say something further on the subject. It must always bo borne in mind that the names were not given to complete peals, but to the methods only. Thus, Grandsire, Stedman, cte., are names given to methods which contain Doubles, Triples, Caters and Cinques changes in the various plain courses.
The plain courses of such methods having been worked out true to their respective principles, it became desirable to ring a higher number of changes than the plain course contains, and thus it became necessary to invent calls (Pob and Single) which aro it departure from
the various methods, so far as to introduce changes which are not in the methods. From this it consequently follows that all methods whioh do not contain in the plain courses Doubles, Triples, etc., changes, are illegitimate.

JOHN CARTER.
Dear Sir,-You have published some very interesting letters upon this subject, but as there are one or two items of interest yet untourhed, I, as an old member of the Methods Committee, should like to supplement them.

Treble Bob Oaters is a compound term, and does not seem to fit. Whether a method will be found that properly unites them is highly problemetical, and I will therefore first consider them separately
"Caters." This term ("Clavis," page 187) is derived from the Latin word "Quatuor " (i.e., four-times). Applied to change ringing it signifies that "four pairs" of bells exchange positions in every "pair of rows." There are many good old compositions in both the Grandsire and Stedman methods obtained without the use of singles, and when ore such composition is rung, then it is and then only that a peal of
pure Caters" is obtained. This was the olass of peal which I first stood in in the '70's and ' 80 's, and they were good old peals, too. In later years, we rang peals with singles. These peals are, strictly speaking, made up of both. Triple and Cater changes, and as we do this in one method why not in another? If there was nothing worse in the old methods rung in Birmingham years ago, I for one, cannot see why they should be tabooed, and shall vote against euch a proposition.

Surfleet seems to be a good Cater method, but by what law, rule or regulation, Mr. James tells us it is Treble Bob, I cannot make out, and so I favour the view of my old friend John Carter, and say Treble Bob it is not and never can be
Triples having been mentioned, it may be recalled that Mr. H. W. Thompson had decided the impossibility of a 5040 without a single, and so I think the only peal of pure Triples we have is Shipway's Nonpariel, which is said to be an unlawful composition. As to pure Treble Bob, I can only recall two old methods of this class. These are, "Imperial Bob " and " Oxford Treble Bob." The first is not on the lengthening lead plan, but it has a Treble Bob hunt, and so is a Treble Bob method. "Clavis " on page 184, tells us that Mr. Francis Roberts, of grateful memory, was the first to discover and use a " single " in a touch of Grandsire Caters, and bring the bells round at hand, while the first peal rung with singles was rung at Fulham, Middlesex, in 1770, called by George Patrick.

HY. DAINS.

## A COMING OF AGE CELEBRATION.

## ANOTHFR LADY'S PEAL RINGING PERFORMANCE.

The coming of age of Miss Elsie Bennett was celebrated last week by five handbell peal attempts, three of which, as chronicled elsewhere, were successful. Miss Bennett, as is well-known, follows the art only on handbells, but she has proved herself an exceedingly skilful exponent of this branch of ringing. Of the five peal attempts made to commemorate her 21 st birthday, the first two, unfortunately, resulted in failure. On Monday there was an attempt for Grandsire Caters at Fulham, but this was lost through a shift course, after halfway. On Tuesday, at Clapham, a peal of Bob Major came to grief through a similar cause. Wednesday, which was Miss Bennett's birthday, brought a change of luck, and a capital peal of Stedman Caters was rung-a most praiseworthy performance on the young lady's part. For Friday a peal of Bob Royal had been arranged, but owing to one of the band being delayed by fog, Bob Major was started for, and a fine peal rung. On Saturday another creditable peal of Bob Major was rung, and brought the celebrations to a close.

## THE BELLS OF HOO.

The historical peal of six bells of Hoo St. Werburgh, Kent, having been silent for about twelve years, were re-opened last week, after having been rehung by Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich, who has carried out the work in a rery creditable manner. The bells have all been quarter turned and hung with new fittings-wheels, gudgeons, bearings, clappers and steel girder headstocks-and the old oak frame has been thoroughly braced with tie bolts and angle brackets, making it perfectly rigid. On Thursday evening last week, and on Saturday, several ringers from Rochester Cathedral and Gillingham tested the bells, and several good touches of Grandsire Doubles and Bob and Treble Bob Minor, including two 720 's of Kent, were rung, the following taking part: Messrs. Allen, Paine, Winser, Garrett, Hone, Rolls, Tulett, Harrey, saligh, and. A. Bowell. The bells are a very good six, with tenor about 19 cwt., and they go splendidly.

## CHELMSFORD NEW PEAL OF TWELVE.

The first monthly ringing meeting took place at Chelmsford Cathedral on Saturday last, and was attended by 30 members. During the crening, courses of Stedman Caters and Grandsire Cinques were rung ; also a 396 of Grandsire Cinques, by: G. Sorrell 1, H. W. Kirton 2, A. Edwards 3, F. W. Edwards 4, W. Keeble 5, II. Richell 6, H. Allen 7, F. Gill 8, II. F. Cooper (conductor) 9, H. Head 10, W. Linooln 11, A. Whight 12. All agreed that the evening had been most suecessful. On Octobar 12th, for evening service, 1152 Grandsire Caters was rung, by: IL. R. Dawson $I_{1}$ A. Spellar 2, H. Richell 3 F. Gill 4, H. Allen 5, A. Richell 6, H. Head 7, H. F. Cooper (conductor) 8, A. Whight 9, A. Head 10 . Longest touch on the bells.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

## A SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

The thirty-sixth annual meeting of the Durbam and Newcastle Diocesan Association was held on Saturday, at Durham. This being a full-day ineeting, visitors made an early start, and the bells were to be heard in the morning. Rather unfortunately, the Cathedral bells are not allowed to be rung on account of the weak state of the tower. However, there are two six-bell towers of St. Nicholas and St. Oswald, and full advantage was taken of these. Taking into consideration the drawback of not having good ringing facilities to draw members to Durham, there was a capital attendance.
The committee meeting was held in the Three Tuns Hotel, and afterwards the ringers wended their way to the Cathedral. A service is held in conncction with this meeting each year at Durham and Newcastle, alternately, and the Association was honoured by having the Dean to address them-an honour which was appreciated by the members to its fullest extent. The address was most impressive, and all were touched by the Dean's encouraging words. He spoke of the bell ringers' duties, and put them on the same standing as all church workers. He was in full sympathy with the Association and its objects, and the good it was doing, saying what a grand thing it was to see bodies of men working together for the good of the church.
The Dean has become a patron of the Association, and the members hope he will always take a keen interest in their work, and that this will not be the last occasion on which he will address them
Fifty members afterwards cat down to dinner at the Three Tuns Hotel, and the general meeting followed. After the loyal toast had been duly honoured, that of "The Bishops and Clergy of the two Dioceses," coupled with the name of the Dean of Durham, was submitted.
The Secretary then read his report for the year, which was most encouraging. It showed the Association had passed through a record year of progress. In the secretary's own words, "the Association has never in its history stood upon such a. firm foundation as it does at the present moment." The balance sheet showed a comfortable margin on the right side. The number of peala rung was not large, but they were better in quality. The results of Ferry's scheme for Sunday service ringing have turned out exceptionally well, and the first three towers are to be congratulated on their success. Certificates were presented to them.
Following the general secretaries' report, there were those from the four districts, north, east, south and west. These were on the whole, satisfactory, but there is still room for better attendance at district meetinge, which are held for practice, the idea being to help beginners.
After the retiring officers had been thanked for their services, they were re-elected.
The business of this meeting kept the members occupied till six o clock, when they retired to the belfries for ringing.

## WESTERN DISTRICT MEETING

A practice meeting, organised by the Western District secretary (the Rev. A. W. Lister, of Tanfield) was held at Lanchester. There were representatives from Consett, Stanley. Tanfield, Chester-le-Street, and the local band, and four ringers scored their first touch. A 720 Kent Treble Bob was rung by: W. Irwin (first 720) 1, F. Eales 2, A. Parry 3, Rev. A. W. Lister (first 720) 4, J. Selkirk 5, J. Robinson (conductor) 6. F. Chinnery and W. Plews rang their first 360 Bob Ninor. The Vicar, the Rer. A. Hetherington, kindly provided tea, which was highly appreciated, and on the motion of the Rev. A. W. Lister, he was accorded a hearty vote of thanks for his hospitality.

## WORCESTER ASSOCIATION

SOUTHERN BRANCH OFFICERS RE-ELECTED.
A quarterl $l_{Y}$ meeting of the Southern branch took place at Badsey on Saturday last, the following towers being represented: Evesham, Pershore, Hampton, Bengeworth, Bretforton, Cropthorne, etc. Evensong was held in the church at 5 p.m., the Vicar (the Rev. W. C. Allsebrook giving a most eloquent address from Psalm cxxii. Tea was provided by the Vicar at the Frape Restaurant, and at the subsequent meeting the Vicar presided.-It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting, and also a united practice meeting at Cropthorne, and to attempt the quarterly peal at Badsey, with Mr. J. Addis as conductor. -Mr. H. Middleton was re-elected ringing master for the ensuing year--Mr. J. Hemming, the present secretary, wished to resign office, but after considerable discussion, he again accepted office upon the distinct understanding it would be for only one more year.-Mr. F. Jordan was re-elected on the Central Committee.

The Chairman reviewed the work done by the Association, and proposed a vote of thanks to the branch officers for the way they had carried out their duties.-Upon the proposition of Mr. J. Hemming, a hearly vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for presiding at the meeting, for the use of the bells, for his excellent address at the serrice, and for providing such a splendid tea. Mr. Hemming also congratulated him upon a son and heir being presented to him and Mrs. Allsebrook.-The Vicar briefly replied, and the meeting then terminated.

## PRESENTATION AT PUDSEY.

On Saturday last, a tea aud social evening took place at the White Cross Hotel, Pudsey, on the occasion of the birtliday of Mr. Thomas Maude, the participators being the Yorkshire band of ringers, who with Mr. Maude, have on many Whitsuntide week-ends made ringing excursions to various parts of the country at Mr. Maude's invitation. During the afternoon, is peal, attempted at the Parish Church, was regretably unsuccessful, after about 40 minutes ringing.

After tea had been more successfully handled than the bells, Mr. Bolland was voted to the chair, and asked the company to drink to the health of Mr. Maude. He said how pleased he was to do honour to the guest of the evening, wand to see him amongst his ringing friends. He was sure all would join him in wishing Mr. Maude many happy returns of the day, and health and long life for both him and Mrs. Maude. Mr. Maude, in reply, thanked the company for their good wishes, and remarked how ho had been spoiled in his attempt to arwange a handbell peal for the occasion.
After a course of Grandsire Major on the handbells, Mr. Bolland asked Mr Maude to accept as a token of the company's esteem a solid silver flower stand, with cut-glass vases, and hoped it would be handed down in his family, and serve to remind him of the many pleasant hours they had spent together on numerous occasions. - Mr. Maude, in accepting the gift, remarked that he had been taken completely by surprise, and thanked the company for the goodwill shown towards him. The present would always remind him of the happy past and would be treasured in his home.-Mr. Williams, in supporting the chairman's remarks, said he would give place to none in his estimation of Mr. Maude's charâcter and goodwill towards the ringers. Men of of Mr. Maude's character and goodwill towards the ringers. Men of his stanp, who would go out of their way to help and encourage Mr. Johnson also expressed their appreciation.
Touches on the handbells in 6, 8, 10 and 12 bell methods, including a fine course of Oxford Ninor, were brought round, after which a very happy evening came to a close.

## DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Archdeaconry of Totnes division of the Devon Guild was hold at Plympton St. Mary and Plympton St. Maurice, where the bells at looth towers were kept merrily ringing the whole of the afternoon. Great praise was bestowed on the excellent tenor bell at St. Mary's. Many who are capable of judging say that for quality and purity of tone this bell cannot be surpassed. Like the ninth bell at Exeter Cathedral, it was cast by Purdue, an eminent founder of olden times. At five o clock tea was partaken of in the Churchroom, Plympton St. Maurice, lent for the occasion by the Rev. H. T. Hole, who, despite his 80 years, was present. The president of the Guild (the Rev. Mailland Kelly), who previous to 1876 was Rector of St. Maurice; the Vicar of St. Mary's (the Rev. J. M. Cox) ; the Vicar of Holbeton, and the hon. secretary of the Devon Guild (the Rev. E. S. Powell) were also present. In all 57 sat down to a capital tea, and after several votes of thanks had been passed, and hearty congratulations expressed, it was conditionally resolved to hold the next annual meeting at Tavistock and Whitchurch.

## THE LATE DR. CARPENTER

## To the Editor

Sir,-The editorial in last week's "Ringing World " voiced very truly that which many ringers all over the country feel at the loss of one of the greatest exponents of change ringing in all its branches. Dr. Carpenter's death has created a gap in the Surrey Association, which we shall be unable to fill as it has been filled for a rery long time. "The doctor " (as we used to speak of Dr. Carpenter) was loved sincerely by all. Nany ringers knew him more intimately than I knew him, and could say more about him than I can do, but it is nearly a quarter of century since I first rang with him in a. plain course of Grandsire Triples, and I have met him very many times since. His presence was always wished for either in the belfry or at the meetinge, which he generally attended. Can we not do something to perpetuate his memory? I hope that some steps to this end may be taken.-Yours truly,

JOHN BEAMS.
On Tuesday of last week, an attempt for a half-muffled peal was made at Croydon Parish Olurch, as a token of respect to the late Dr. A. B. Carpenter. The attempt, unfortunately failed, but a quarterpaal of Stedman Triples was afterwards rung by: W. S. Wise 1, D. Wright (conductor) 2, L. Page 3, A. T. Jones 4, W. States 5, H. L. Garfath 6. C. F. Johnston 7, S. R. Roper 8.

## TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

Kenwyn ringers visited Gulval church on October 17th, for their annual outing. The visitors were met by Dr. Symons, Penzance (Master of the Truro Diocezan Guild). who successfully conducted them through a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1260 changes), in 48 minutes. This is the first quarter peal which has ever been rung on Gulval church bells. Those taking part were: F. Cawrse 1, F. Mitchell 2, H. M. Smeath 3, Dr. Symons, Penzance (conductor) 4, E. C. Freund 5, W. P. Trestrain 6, W. H. Sleeman 7, C. Sleeman 8. After the ringing, Mr. W. P. Trestrain, who has been conductor of Kenwyn ringers for 23 years, was the recipient of a silver-mounted walking stick, the gift of the ringers, for his services. Mr. H. M. Smeath (captain) made the pre-

## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. <br> LADY RECRUITS AT EVERTON.

The third quarterly meeting of the North Notts Association was held at Everton, on Saturday week, when 43 members and friends were present from Anston, Blyth, East Retford, Gainsborough, Misterton, Misson, Ordsall, Rotherham, Worksop and Everton. On arrival, the visitors received a hearty welcome. As the writer wended his way to the belfry the bells were ringing sweetly in the low tower, which in height reachos but a short stage above the nave roof. Tho bells are a musical little ring of six (tenor 10 cwt .) by Taylor and Sons, of Loughborough, and although they were placed in the tower more than 30 years ago, the "go "of them is excellent. A stroll round tho church was particularly interesting, but time andi space forbid a description. Suffice it to say, it is extremely well kept, and bore evidence of loving care, in great contrast to what is sometimes found in churches far more favourably situated. At 5.15 p.m., the visitors assembled in the spacious dining hall of the vicarage, where a number of ladies had been busily preparing tea, and fully enjoyed the kind hospitality of the Vicar (the Rev. Alfred Rose).
The business meeting, which followed, was presided over by the Rev. A. Rose, who, in rising to give a warm and cordial welcome to all assembled, spoke of the special purposes of bells, and of the importance of the ringers' office. He believed as bell ringers they were working together to improve the science of chango ringing, and, admirable as it might be to advance the art, which needed a great deal of mental and physical control on the part of the individual, yet the association had a higher aim than the mere production of skilful ringers. Bell ringing was not only an end, but the means to an end, and that was the raising and elevating of the general tone of the ringers.
Mr. John Segar, jumr, then Lapped on handbells a 360 of Carlialo Surprise, after which Mr. Arthur Hague, Miss Winifred ILugue and Mr. J. Monks, of Rotherham, together with Mr. Butler, of Gainsborough, rang several courses of Grandsire Triples on tho haudbells whilst Miss Hague played a selection of tunes in a very effective style, to the large audience who had assembled on the Vicarage lawn.
In moving a vote of thanks to the Vicar, Mr. II. Haigh said he could not find words sufficient to express his thoughts and feelings to the Vicar for what he had done that day, for the use of the belle, for the splendid arrangements, and his kind hospitality. The ringers owed him a debt of gratitude, and it would live in their memories until the end of time. - Mr. H. Warburton briefly seconded, and the Vicar mado a humorous reply.-After the speeches and entortainment, iracks were again made for the tower, which was soon packed to the utmost by ladies of the district anxious to get a glimpse of the lady ringer manipulating the tower and handbells, and to receive their initiation into tho mysteries of change ringing. The following methods were rung during the afternoon and evening: Plain Bob, Grandsire, Stedman, Oxford Treble Bob and Violet, and a 720 of Kent, by: J. C. Tinker 1, C. Baker 2, J. T. Barham 3, II. Stenton (conductor) 4, G. W. Stevenson 5, G. Brown 6.

It is gratifying to know that a junior band of ringers have made a start, and have each been presented with a silver badge for boing able to manage their bells and ring for Sunday service, whilst, in addition, a few of the ladies are talking it up in real earnest.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GJİD. <br> MEDALLIONS FOIR RINGERS.

A pleasant little meeting took place at Sonning, on Thursday of last week, the occasion being the presentation of medallions to those ringers who had taken part in the opening touch and the subsequent peal on the bells after restoration, in July, 1912. Ringers came to join their Sonning friends from Caversham, Hurst, and the three towers in Reading. Touches of Stedman, Double Norwich and Cambridge were rung, after which refreshments were kindly provided by the Vicar (the Rev. G. P. Crawfurd) at the Vicarage. Mrs. Crawfurd, assisted by Mr. George Wright, of Sonning, then presented the medallions, which had been fashioned in excellent manner by Messrs. Taylor aud Co. from the old canons of the bells, and gave great pleasure to the re-cipients.-The Master of the Guild (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) then proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar and Mrs. Crawfurd for their kindness and hospitality, which was heartily accorded.

## NEW CHIME AT BRENTFORD

The new chìme of six bells was dedicated at St. George's, Brentford, on Friday, by the Tord Bishop of Kensington. The bells have been cast by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, the tenor weighing $6 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. Long before the hour fixed for the service the church was well filled with parishioners, anxious to welcome the Bishop and to hear the first sound of the new peal, which was acknowledged on all hands to be of a most sweet and harmonious character. His Lordship, in his address, dwelt upon the usefulness of bells in various capacities, more particularly emphasising the call to God's House, which was conveyed by them.
The authorities could not be prevailed upon to have the bells hung for ringing, and so they are chimed automatically by a machine fixed on the floor below, which was started by the Bishop, who ascended the tower for that purpose before delivering his scrmon.

## DEDICATION OF ECKINGTON BELLS.

The dedication of the bells of the Parish Church of Eckington, took placa on Sunday during morning service. The Lord Bishop of Southwell performed the ceremony, and shortly before his sermon, accompanied by the Rector (the Rev. W. R. Hewson, R.D.), and the choir, proceeded to the belfry, where the local ringers, together with visiting ringers from Beighton and Worksop, were in readiness.

A good congregation, intensely expectant, looked on, and complete sitence reigned while his lordship solemnly pronounced the Dedication sentences. The bells were then chimed for a few minutes whilst the Bishop, Rector and choir resumed their places in the chancel.
In his sermon, the Bishop spoke of the call of the bells and of their message to those who heard them. He added that the people of Eckington had done well to put the church in order, and, having got back their bells, let them learn to respond to their call.

## RINGERS ENTERTAINED.

Oll a rcount evening, the ringers of the Parish Church of St. Michael's, Enst Peckham, were entertained to dinner by the Vicar (the Rev. G. C. F. Ryloy). A most delightful evening was spent, and the company had the privilege of meeting the Rev. Ii. J. O. Helmore (hon. seoretary of the Kent Connty Association).
The Vicar, in proposing Mr. Helmore's health, spole of the pleasure he had in welcoming him in their midst, and said how much he valued the friendship of one whom he had known for over thirty years, and who hat done him many good turns which he could never possibiy repay. Indeed, but for Mr. Helmore he would not have been in the position to entertain them that evening.-The Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, replying to the toast, expressed his pleasure in meeting the ringers, and strongly urged that each ringer who had not already dono so should become a member of the County Association. He aleo spoke of his intimate acquaintance with their host, and the circumstances under which Mr. Ryley had been able to accept the vicariate of the parish.
The Vicar next proposed "The Health of the Ringers," and thanked them for their services during the past year. He was proud of them, and of the way they attended the services after they had finished their duty in the belfry.-Mr. W. Pope responded thanking the Vicar for his kindness.-The rest of the evening was epent with songe and recitations and other amusements.

## HARVEST FESTIVAL TOUCHES.

Among the touches rung for harvest festival services have been the following :-

SITTINGBOURNE.-On Sunday, October 5th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: L. B. Grant 1, J. Excel 2, W. Burley 3, E. J. Bottlo 4, H. E. Simpson 5, F. S. Macey (composer and conductór) 6, E. J. Dobbie 7, F. Foldstock 8. For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: E. J. Bottle 1, E. J. Dobbic 2, H. J. Tidy 3, W. Burley 4, J. Excel 5, H. E. Simpson (conductor) 6, F. S. Macey 7, A. Burley 8.-On Wednesday, Oct. 8th, on the occasion of the Archbishop of Canterbury's visit to Sittingbourne, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins., by: E. J. Bottle 1, W. Burley 2, H. E. Simpson 3, J. Excel 4, F. S. Macey 5, E. J. Dobbie 6, W. Spice (conductor) 7, A. Burley 8.

LONDON. -The Ancient Society of College Youths.-On Sunday, Oct. 5th, at St. Giles', Camberwell, for evening service, 1440 of Kent Treble Bob Royal, in 59 mins.: E. Gibles 1, H. Springall 2, C. H. Hughes 3, F. G. Perrin 4, W. H. Taffender 5, A. Jones 6, T. H. Taffender conductor) 7, C. W. Grimwood 8, A. D. Barker 9, F. J. Hardy 10.
LONDON.-On Sunday, Oct. 12th, at St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Surprise Major (1280 changes): W. H. Taffender 1, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, C. II. Hughes 3, W. G. Natthews 4, R. N. Runham 5, J. Cornford 6, A. D. Barker 7, F. J. Hardy 8.

EXTON, SOMERSET-On Oct. 12th, after evening service, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Doubles ( 1260 changes), in 40 mins. : L. Phillips 1, W LIoyle 2, C. WJatt 3. W. Bennett (conductor) 4, W. Phillips 5, H. Gale 6 CLENT, WORCESTFR.-On Sunday, Oct. 12th, for evening service, 1008 Bob Major: Miss F. Thatcher 1, G. Popnell 2, W. Boughton 3, C. Bougliton 4, A. Walker 5, Wm. Shilvock 6, C. Sheriff 7, J. Barber (oonductor) 8.
BELBROUGHTON, WORGESTER.-On Sunday, Oct. 5th, 720 Bob Minor: G. Tubble 1, G. Popnell 2, J. Parton 3, W. Shilvock 4, A. Pardoe 5, II. Martin (conductor) 6.
FAIINHAM, SURRET.-On Sunday evening, Oct. 4th, in 47 mins , a Harter-peal of Stedman Triples: A. J. Le Clercq 1, Dr. T. E. Harwood 2, G. Upshall 3, A. R. Elkins (first quarter of Stedman with a bob bell) 4, F. A. Barnett 5, T. Upshall 6, C. Edwards (conductor) 7, H. Kimber 8 GUTLDFORD, SURREY-On Sunday, Sept. 28th, for evening service, 1248 Superlative Surprise Major, in 48 mins.: G. Gunner 1, C. Willshire 2. FI. Hutton 3, W. Smith 4, C. H. Dobbie 5, C. Hazelden 6, B. Chorley 7. A. H. Pulling (conductor) 8.

HIGFGATF.-At St. Anne's Church. on Oct. 16th, 416 Double Norwich and 504 Stedman Triples: C. L. Walker (first 500 Stedman) 1, C. Pryor 2, E. Bonficla 3, A. Brightman 4, E. F. Cole 5, R. Bevan 6, F. Smith (conductor) 7, E. Young 8.-On Sunday, October 19th, a quarterneal of Double Norwjch: E. Bonficld 1, C. Pryor (first in the method) 2 W. G. Matthews 3, R. Bevan 4, E. F. Cole 5, A. Brightman 6, E, Chapman 7, F. Smith (conductor) 8.

## NOTICES.

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SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Central Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Cuckfield on Saturday, November ist. Tower open 3 till 9. Service 5. Tea $5 \cdot 30$, by kind invitation of the Vicar.-A. D. Stone, Divisional Honorary Secretary, 29, Ashton Street, Brighton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Newhey on Saturday, November ist. Bells ready at 3 o'clock, meeting at 6.30.-Joseph Ogden, Secretary, 135, Latts Street, Shaw, Oldham.

## WILLIAM VERRY COMMEMORATION DINNER.

 -The gth-annual dinner will be held at the Queen's Head Hotel, Soho Road, Handsworth, on November ist, at 6.30 p.m. sharp. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tickets may be had from Charles F. Starkey, Honorary Secretary, 79, Peel Street, Winson Green.ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, NORTHOWRAM, near Halifax.-On Saturday, November ist, a new peal of 8 bells (tenor 16 cwt .) by Gillett and Johnston will be duly opened. Ringers cordially invited. Bells available from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m.-Mollinson Taylor, Honorary Secretary, Woodfield Cottage, Hipperholme, near Halifax.

PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIA-TION.-A district meeting will be held at Glinton on Saturday, November ist (All Saints' Day). Bells (6) available afternoon and evening until 7.45. Short service at 6 o'clock. All ringers welcome.-John J. Jutson, Secretary, St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held at St. James', Waterfoot, on Saturday, November ist. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 . A good attendance requested. - J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary, 3I, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

WARFIELD, BERKS.-The new peal of 8 bells at St. Michael's Church, Warfield, Berks, will be open for ringing on Saturday, November 1st, at 3 p.m., by kind permission of the Vicar and churchwardens. All ringers wel-come.-H. Bungay, Forest Road, Binfield.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Yorktown District.-The annual meeting will be held at Yorktown on Saturday, November ist. The bells are available from 3 p.m. Tea in the Church Room at 5.30 , for those who notify me not later than the 3ist inst.-G. B. Edser, Honorary Secretary, I7o, Gipsy Road, West Norwood.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE ALAMGAMATED SOCIETY.-The Barnsley meeting, fixed for November ist, is unavoidably cancelled. - J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, 38, Rutland Park, Sheffield.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Grappenhall Branch.-Next meeting at Grappenhall Saturday, November ist, at 3.30 p.m., with service. Tea 9 d. each.-Jno. E. Ashcroft, Honorary Secretary.

RAYNE, ESSEX.-The new bell will be dedicated on November ist at 3 p.m. Preacher : Rev. J. H. Barrow, M.A., Precentor of Chelmsford Cathedral.-B. Ridgewell, Honorary Secretary, The Street, Rayne.

SHOREDITCH BELLS.-Dedication on November 3 rd, at 8.30 , by the Lord Bishop of Stepney. The Mayor and Borough Council will attend in State. The formal opening will take place on Saturday, November Sth, when, by an arrangement with the "Fund Committee," a quarterly meeting of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths will be held. All ringers and subscribers are heartily invited to attend. Tower open at 2.30 p.m., short service at 4 p.m., with an address by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge. Tea in the Parish Room at 5.30 , which will be provided free to all those who notify the undersigned by Wednesday, November 5 th. Will all those who still have collecting cards for the above object return the same before this date?-F. Bennett, 3, Harts Lane, New Cross, S.E.; H. J. Bradley, The Parish Church, Shoreditch.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on November 4 th and i8th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 4th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 6th and 2oth; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the irth; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the $25^{\text {th }}$; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus 7.30 ; the others 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

WENTBRIDGE (NEAR PONTEFRACT), YORK-SHIRE.-The new chime of bells from Messrs. Gillett and Johnston's foundry will be dedicated at a special service in Wentbridge Church on Friday, November 7 th, at 10.30 a.m., by the Lord Bishop of Beverley.

THE LANCCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch.-A meeting will be held at Woolton on Saturday, November 8 th. Bells ready at 4. A good meeting is re-quested.-Walter Hughes, Honorary Secretary.

LANCCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at Deane on Saturday, November 8th, at 6 o'clock. Meeting at $7 \cdot 30$ - G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.The next quarterly meeting will be held at Peterstone, Marshfield, Mon., on Saturday, November 8th, at 4.30 . The restored ring of eight bells will be rung for the first time, and will be available for ringing all the evening. Marshfield ( 8 bells) also available. Tea will be provided free. Will those intending to be present kindly advise the Honorary Secretary, Mr. J. W. Jones, Piercefield, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon., not later than Tuesday, November 4 th.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.- The annual meeting of the above district will be held at Winchester on Saturday, November 8th. The Cathedral will be open during the afternoon and evening. Evensong in the choir of the Cathedral at 4 o'clock. Tea in St. Maurice Hall at 5.15 p.m. Business meeting immediately after the tea.-James W. Elkins, District Secretary, 20, Culver Road, Winchester.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Tonbridge Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Horsmonden on Saturday, November 8th. Tower open at 4 o'clock. Business meeting in the schoolroom. Nearest station is Goudhurst.-W. Latter, Honorary District Secretary.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). The 276th anniversary dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on November 8 th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets, 4 s . each, may be obtained of Messrs. J. Akehurst, J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies, T. Faulkner, G. R. Fardon, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, E. Horrex, A. Hughes, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, E. P. O'Meara, A. B. Peck, G. N. Price, W. Prime, G. W. Wild, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith, T. H. 'raffender, C. F. Winney, or W. T. Cockerill, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. Towers open for ringing: St. Mary-leBow, Cheapside, and St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, 4 to 6 p.m.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - North-Eastern Dis-trict.-The annual meeting for this district will be held at Coggeshall on Saturday, November isth. Tea (followed by meeting) will be provided at the Chappell Hotel at $5 \cdot 30,6 \mathrm{~d}$. each to members giving notice.-A. Shufflebotham, District Secretary, Little Square, Braintree.

LADIES' GUILD (Southern District).-A meeting will be held in Reading on Saturday, Nov. 5 th. Ring at Caversbam (8) at 2.30, and afterwards at St. Lawrence (10), and St. Giles" (8). Tea at the "Rising Sun," at 4.30. Gentlemen are cordially invited. Will those intending to he present kindly notify Miss E. Belcher, Mereside, Fieet Hants, before Nov. Ioth.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Streatham on Saturday, November $I_{5}$ th. St. Leonard's tower open for ringing at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Other details later.-Cyril F. Johnston, Bell Foundry, Croydon.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).-Northern District.-The next meeting will be held at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, on Saturday, November 15th, 1913. Bells available from 6 to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow. All cordially invited.-J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7 d, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern District.The annual meeting will be held at Ingatestone on Saturday, November isth. Service at 5 o'clock. Short address by the Rev. J. W. House, Rector of Fryerning. Tea and meeting at 5.45 at the Spread Eagle Hotel, 6d. to members, is. 6d. to others. All outstanding subscriptions ought to be paid at this mecting. Ingatestone bell.s (5) at $3 \cdot 30$, and during the evening. Fryerning bells (5) 3.30 to 4.30 , and 7.30 to 9 . Members requiring tea kindly notify me not later than first post Wednesday, November Izth.-Henry F. Cooper, District Secretary, County Offices, Chelmsford.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District.-Annual meeting at Basingstoke, Saturday, November 22nd. Bells (8) from 4 o'clock. Service at 5.30. Tea and business meeting at Church Cottage at 6.15--F. G. Hume, District Secretary, Oakley.

CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.-Meetings for practice at the Cathedral will be held weekly on Thursdays, at $7 \cdot 30$, and on the last Saturday in each month, also at 7.30 p.m. Ringing on Sundays will be for morning service io to in
a.m. Evening service 6 to 7 p.m. All ringers will be heartily welcomed at any time.-H. F. Cooper, County Offices, Chelmsford.

THE LADIES' GUILD.-I beg to remind members that the annual subscription is now due. Badges may be obtained at 2s. each, post free.-Edith K. Parker, Hon. Secretary, 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

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## THE LATE CAPTAIN GLEN-KIDSTON. <br> \section*{To the Editor.}

Dear $\mathrm{Sir},-\mathrm{I}$ see in your issue of September 26th a letter written by Mr. Leonard Lewis, who was disappointed to find only one muffled peal rung in respect to the late Capt. A. Glen-Kideton, by the Hereford Diocessn Guild. I must say I was rather disappointed myself, after what the deceased gentleman had done for the Guild, but I do not think it improves matters by rushing into print. Mr. Lewis knows quite well that the peal was not rung by an entire local band, and I question if a peal would have been rung at all, if I had not written to Mr. Hyett, two or three days before the funeral, suggesting that a peal ought to be rung, and offering my services if required. I received a wire late on the night before the funeral asking me and my brother to go. As my brother could not do so, I took another of our ringers with me, and he rang before the funeral service, but he was not wanted in the peal afterwards. I think, therefore, we did our best considering it was impossible for us to get six of our own ringers together to go for a peal.-Yours truly,
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The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tewer of St Pater's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, cacently carried cut by you has proved most successful, and given aneral satisfaction

I am authorised by the Kector and Wardens to asy how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to jadge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,

Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

## THE BELLS OF SHOREDITCH.

I famous peal of twelve will be heard again to-morrow, rung as in the days of old, for the bells of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, known even to the children through the nursery rhyme, will then be opened after complete restoration. It is long now since their voices resounded in the permutations of a peal, but this enforced silence is at an end. Thanks to the energies of Mr. H. J. Bradley, the tower keeper, the authorities were stirred into action, and it says much for the enthusiasm with which the Vicar and his wardens have taken up the proposal that the work, a stupendous task in so poor a parish, has been carried to such a successful issue. It is the outcome of dogged perseverance, and is a fine example of what can be achieved by determination and united effort. It is a matter not merely for congratulation, but of sincere gratification that one of the most famous peals of bells in London is once again in a ringable condition.

From a ringers' point of view few bells have a more interesting past than those of Shoreditch, for campanological history has been made upon them. Many long peals have been rung in that tower, and more than a century and a quarter ago the College Youths and Cumberlands were vieing with one another in establishing records of their prowess. In February, 1777, the former rang io,000 of Oxford Treble Bob Royal, and the Cumberlands followed it up in May by ringing io,200, only to see this record go by the board a few days later when the College Youths, " insatiated with glorv." as the tablet records, rang a peal of $1 \mathrm{I}, \mathrm{o8o}$ changes. The crowning achierement, however, was accomolished by the Cumberlands in the year 1784 , when they rang 12,000 of Oxford Treble Ten-a record which stands to this day in Treble Bob Royal. All these peals were rung at Shoreditch, and if for no other reason, they make the bells a ring in which the Exercise has a more than passing interest.

But there is more in it even than this. The renovation which has been carried out restores to London one more of her peals of twelve. There are eight such in the metropolis, and seven are now available for ringing. The one that seems to be gone for good beyond the command of ringers is St. Bride's, Fleet Street, sacrificed to the growing pressure under which we work and live in these days. Situated in the centre of newspaperdom, where work practically never ceases, the bells have been silenced for the sake of those whose strenuous profession calls for the utmost concentration of mind. But if St. Bride's are lost, there is great gratification in knowing that Shoreditch have once more come into tbeir own, and there will be, doubtless, quite a "gathering of the clans" at the inauguration to-morrow.

## CHARLES CARR, ${ }^{\text {ITI }}$



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## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

## Tenor 17 cwt.

George Dawson ... ...Treble|*Ernest H. Clarke... ... 6
Albert H. Ward $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ *John Flower...
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## LONDON

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
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Charles T. Coles ... ... 2 Frederick Pitsiow ... 7 Isaac G. Shade ... Bertram Prewett ... ... 4 Ernest Pye ... ... ... 9 William Pye $\ldots$......... 5 Alfred W. Grimes ....... Tenor Composed by Cornelios Charge, and Conducted by Bertram Prewett. Rung to commemorate the Festival of All Saints.

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 *Wilitam G. Nipper... ... 2 G Gilbert Wiltshire ... 7 Albert Stowell ... ... 3 Henry I. Howell... ... 8 Wileiam Lansdown... ... 4 Isaac Long ...... Aifred E. Reeves ..

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& \text { ISAAC LONG } . . . \\
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Composed by F. Dench, and
Conducted by Fred G. May.

* First peal of Royal and first attempt. The peal was rung on All Saints' Day


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Morday, October 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES; 5040 GHANGES;

## Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lbs.

William Orsler ... ...Treble Hobart E. Smith ... ... 5 | *Edward Jenkins... | ... | 2 | William Flory | $\ldots$ | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Robert H. Hayward | ... | 3 | George E. Symonds | $\ldots$ | 7 |  | Robert H. Hayward ... 3 George E. Symonds ... 7 *W. Stanley Clark ... 4 John C. Self ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by George E. Symonds.

- First peal in the method. Rung on the eve of the Festival of SS. Simon and Jude.

FELTHAM, MIDDLESEX
THE MIDDIESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, October 27, 1913, in Two Honrs and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Catherine,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor If cwt. 2 qr. 19 lbs.
 Alfred W. Grimes... $\ldots . .22$ William Welling...... Bertram Prewett ... ... 3 George Spencer ... ... 7 *William J. New ... ... 4 William Shepherd ...Tenor Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Bertram Prewett.

* First peal in the method.

TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.
On Tuesday, October 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Parish Churcir,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Holt's Original.

 *Samuel Corbett ... ...Tyeble Alfred Rowley ... ... 2 Harry S. Smith ... ... 3 William R. Small... ... 4 Tenor I2 $\frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Jesse Screen } & . . & . . . & . . & 5 \\ \text { Benjamin Godgh } & \text {... } & \text {... } & 6\end{array}$ Samuel Baker... ... .... 7 * First peal and first attempt. $\dagger$ Proposed a member of the Guild previous to starting for the peal. Rung on the Festival of SS. Simon and Jude. Mr. Gough, who hails from Coseley, has now rung each bell in this tower through a peal.
## UFFORD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Wednesday, October 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

\section*{Tenor 14 cwt.} | G. Robert Miles ... | $\ldots$. Treble | *David Leggettr | $\ldots$ | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Robert H. Hayward | $\ldots$ | 2 | George E. Symonds | $\ldots$ | 6 |
| Arthor Webber $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | 3 | Charles E. Fisher | $\ldots$ | 7 |
| Alfred E. Acfield... | ... | 4 | Harry R. Smith | ... | ...$T e n o y$ | Conducted by George E. Symonds.

* First peal in the method. Arranged for A. Webber, of Great Yarmouth. who rang his first course on the same bell over 40 years ago.

OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wednesday, October 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. Parker's One-Part. Tenor in cwt. 2 qr. 2 I lbs. Joseph Gottridge ... ...Treble William Welling ... ... 5 Frank V. H. Sinkins ... 2 †Herbert Cox ... ... ... 6 Arthur W. G. Blake ... 3 Leonard Stilwell... .... 7 Joseph -J. Parker ... ... 4 "John Burt... ... ... ... Tenor Conducted by W. Welling.

* First peal, and elected a member before starting. † First peal in the method. Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Dymoke, of Old Windsor, and Mr. W. H. Hammond, who were married on the above date at Lucknow, India

SANDHURST, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GHOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday. October 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Laivrence,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Groves' Variation of Parker's Tvelve-Part. Tenor i4 cwh. Thomas Newman ... ...Treble Harry Daniels ... ... 5 Joseph T. Dýke $\quad . . . \quad \ldots \quad 2 \quad$ Samuel Newman $\quad . .$.
 Walter Yeend... ....... 4 Albert Martin ... ...Tenor

Rung as a birthday compliment to Ex.-Sergt. J. Williams, also to Mrs. Newman, mother of the ringers of the treble and 6th.

## LONDON

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Wodnesday, October 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road,

## A PEAL OF BRIGHTON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

 Tenor 20 cwt .

## ANDOVER, HAMPSHIRE

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, October 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Thorstans' Four-Part.
*Rev. W. E. Colchester Tyeble Henry White ... ... ... 2
Robert C. Mayo ... ... 3
George Williams ... Wilfred Andrews.... Charles H. Russell
William H. Crote $\ldots .$.
4
Conducted by George Williams.
$\square$
Conducted by George Williams.

* First peal.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, October 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Magy,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGEs;

Tenor 8 cwt . I qr. 20 lbs .
 Composed by H. Dains, and Conducted by William Steele

* First peal in the method This was the 50th peal on the bells since their augmentation to eight in December, 1908.


## SUTTON, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, October 31, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints, Benhilton,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

Albert Boxall
Hol
................
J. H. White $\quad . .$.

Alfred Boxall...
Robert Grimwood
Conducted

Tenor 19 坴 cwt.
Conducted by Joнn Webb.

Rung for evening service on the ООН Швв,

## BLOXWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Saturday, Novenber 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Christopher Wallater...Tyeble
*Edward J. Stafford ... 2
John C. Adams $\quad . .$.
*Aerbert Knight $\quad \cdots \quad \cdots \quad 3 \quad$ Thomas J. Elton...
Composed by W. Sottansm Fisher
Conducted by Willian Fis

* First peal in the method and also first in the method on the bells. Rung for the Festival of All Saints and also for the 26th anniversary of the opening of the bells.

BOTTESFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY OF FRAMLAND RINGERS.
On Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Tqulve Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES; Parker's Six-Part.

Tenor 27 cwt.
Daniel Gilden ... ... ...Treble
Rev. C. J. Sturton ... ... 2
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Rev. C. J. Sturton ... } & . . & 2 \\ \text { Fred Turner } & \text {... } & \text {... } & \text {... } & 3\end{array}$
Arthur W. Ward... Conducted by Sidney Proctor.
Messrs. Turner, Proctor and Hall were elected members previous to starting. Rung on All Saints' Day.

## HULL

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Thyee Hours and Two Minwtes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE6;

## Tenor 16 cwt.



> Composed by W. H. Thompson, M.A., and Conducted by C. Jackson.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal away from tenor. Rung on the Festival of All Saints' and in honour of the birthdays of Mr. A. E. West, churchwarden (Sutton) and Mr. T. Harrison, steeplekeeper. The composition is $B$, page $20_{4}$, "Grandsire," now rung for the first time.


## BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(Sheffield District Society.)
On Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of SS. Mary \& Lavrence,

Tenor $14 \frac{8}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
 Composed and Conducted by Arther Knighis.
Rung in honour of the opening of the Bazaar in aid of the new Church Hall, by Her Grace the Duchess of Portland.

## WITNEY, OXON.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 1. 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Brooks' Variation.
Miss Kathleen HolifieldTreble George Holifield, Junr. Harry Holifield Albert E. Lock.

Tenor I8 cwt.
Thomas Boll George Holifield, Sent. 6 John Monk
Gordon Caudbvell... ....Tenor Holifield, Sent.
Rung in honour of All Saints' Day.

## BETCHWORTH

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION
(Southern Branch.)
On Saturday, Nowmber 1, 1913, in $T_{\text {wio }}$ Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Holt's Original.
*Villiay B. Judd
$\begin{array}{lll}\ldots . . & \text { Treble } \\ \ldots & \ldots . & 2\end{array}$ James H. Jodd... William Foller George F. Hoad Co...... 4

Arther Holman Henry A. Hoad Conducted by Geo F. Hoad.

> * First peal, † First peal on an inside bell.

## ANSTEY, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Tau Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Ceorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE HORWICH COURT BO를 HJJOR, 5168 CHANCES; Tenor if cwt.

Ernest Bartram Sambel Cotton T. Leonard Allen Frederick H. Dexter .Treble R. Henry Bartram

## Ernest Morris

Composed and Conducted by Ernest Morris.
First peal in the method. J. Morris' Iooth peal and his son's 68th, the odd changes being the combined total. This composition contains the 6 th her extent $W$. and $R$. and is now rung for the first time. Rung on the Festival of All Saints' Day.

## WOKINGHAM, BERKS

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANEES;
Tenor $19 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

Frank Lush ... ........... 4 . 4 William J. Paice ... ...Tenor
Conducted by William J. Paige.
Rung in honour of the Patronal Festival. First peal on the bells by a lady ringer.

EDENBRIDGE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Padl,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES;

Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Richard Jenner
 Ernest Leigh

| Albert Belion | $\ldots$ | ... | 2 | George Malyan | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| James Heasman | $\ldots$ | ... | 6 |  |  |
| Jabil | .. | 3 | Herbert Markwell | $\cdots$ | 7 |

 Composed by H. Dains, and
Conducted by Thos. Groombridge.

* First peal of Major. This peal was rung to celebrate the Festival of All Saints', also as a birthday compliment to the Rev. H. SomersCocks (Vicar).

IRTHLINGBORO', NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES: Tenor iol $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

 | Alpheus Perkins | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | †John J. Mawbi | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| James Garratt... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Walter Perkins | .... |
| ....Tenor |  |  |  |  |  | Composed by C. Middleton, and

Conducted by Walter Perkins.

* First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal in the method away from the treble. Rung at the first attempt. This was the I6oth peal on the bells, and was rung to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the opening.

BOREHAM, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Satu;day, November 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;
Henry W. Kirton ... ...Tyeble James Walden..
Arthur Edwards ... ... 2 Joseph Roote ...

| Arthor Church... | .. | ... | 3 | William Allen | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Percy Letch | ... | .. | .. | 4 |  |  |  |

Percy Letch ... $\ldots$.... 4 John Wood
Conducted by Arthor Edwards.
This peal was rung on the Festival of All Saints' by the local company, and was the first in the method on the bells. It was also the first in the method by all but the ringers of the treble and and, and the first peal on eight bells by the ringers of the 3 rd , 6 th and 7 th.

WEDMORE, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, B040 CHANGES; Hollis' Five-Part. Tenor 38 cwt .

Harry Fry ... ... ... ...Treble Frederick Ibey
Walter Worgan
Walter Farley...
Harry Lalurence
George H. Pruen...... Gabriel Chamberlain ... 7 $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { William Crandon } \\ \text { James Coram }\end{array}\right\}$...Tenor James Coram
Conducted by G. Chamberlain.

* First peal with a bob bell. First peal on the bells. Great credit is due to all the band, especially the conductor, for the way this peal was rung. The back bells go badly, and the excessive noise of 7 and 8 in the belfry, makes peal ringing very difficult.


## CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, November 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANOES Fredericy W Rice Tenor I3 $\frac{3}{4}$ cwt.
Oliver Sippetts ....... reble William Hewett ... ... 5 Frank Bene ... ... 2 Frank I. Halrs ... ... 6
 Composed by Henry Dains, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.
Messrs. Trollope and Peck were elected members previous to starting.

## SIX $8^{3}$ FIVE BELL PEALS. <br> TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Monday, October 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF SURPRI8E MINOR, 5040 CHANGE ;
Being 720 each of Surfleet, Beverley, York, Durham, Cambridge, Netherseale and Norwich Tenor 20 cw . Frederick C. M. Skinner Tyeble Bertie F. Tdrner... ... $4^{4}$ John Snelling ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Frederick Seager ... ... 5 Frederick Manser ... ... 3 George Snelling ... ...Tenor Conducted by B. F. Torner.
F. Manser's 50th peal.

NEWTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE
THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, October 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCE8;
*Frederick Lightining ...Tyeble| Stanley E Andrews ... 4
*Arthur Wm. Wenlock... 2 Thomas Haines ... ... 5 Harry Piggins... ... ... 3 Ralph Narborough ...Tenor Conducted by Ralph Narborough.

* First 5040 on tower bells. F. Lightning is the first local ringer to ring a 5000 on these bells. The peal yas rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Stanley Andrews, a much respected member of the Wisbech band, to which all but the ringer of the treble belong, and it was his tenth peal of 5000 changes and upwards.
kILNDOWN, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Wednesday, October 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-fous Minutes, At Christ Chorch,


## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Kent Treble Bob, 720 of Oxford Bob, two 720's of College Single, one of Canterbury Pleasure, and two of Plain Bob. Tenor $I_{5}$ cwt. 2 qr. 2 lbs.

James Waghorn... ... ...T, Teble Andrew Marshall ... 4 | Albert Relfe $\ldots . .$. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Edwin Lambert | ... | $\ldots$ | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Gborge Fuller | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Frank Pattenden... | ...$T e n o r ~$ |  | Rung as a birthday compliment to the Vicar of Kilndown, the Rev. D. W. W. Carmichael, M.A.

## LEYTONSTONE, ESSEX

THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, October 30, 1913. in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Beverley, Chester, Carlisle, Cambridge, Ipswich,
London and York. Tenor I4 cwt.

| - Fredrick Doran | $\ldots$. | .. Treble | Harry Torble... | ... | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4 | 4 |  |  |  |  | †Alfred Prior ... ... ... 2 W William Miller... William H. Theobald .... 3 John Moule ... Conducted by William Mileer.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Minor. Rung on the eve of the 8oth anniversary of the consecration of the church. Three of the above methods belong to Class III, the rest to Class IV.


## DOULTING, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, October 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Parish Ghurch,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCE8;

## Tenor 24 cwt.

*Percy Webb ... ... ...Tyeble *Herbert Wilcox ... ... 4
*Ernest Lane ......
*Herbert Webb $\quad$ Conducter 3 Barry Webb ......

* First peal. First peal on the bells.

WORPLESDON, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCE ;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Single
Bob, and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lbs.
Frederick A. Licence ...Tveble Cpl.-Geo. Gilbert, R.E. 4
*Samuel Petter... ... ... 2 Hubert Chaffey ... ... 5
Alfred J. Croucher ... 3 Henry A. Blackman ...Tenoy Conducted by H. Chaffey.

- First peal of Minor. Rung for the Festival of All Saints'.


## BUCKLAND, SURREY

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION. (Southern Branch.)
On Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANCES:

Being 720 of College Exercise, and two 720 's each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent.
Albert E. Wood ... ..Tyeble
John Sherlock ... ... ... 2 William Cheeseman ....... 4
Frederick Bashford ... 3 Albert Harman ... ....Tenor Conducted by Albert Harman.

## BURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Novernber 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Botolph,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGE ;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Oxford Delight, Plain Bob,
Woodbine, Kent, and two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob.

 Conducted by Charles E. Fisher.

* First peal in six methods.


## CLENCHWARTON, LINCS.

THF LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGE8;
F. Beadmont ... ... ...Treble $\mid$ W. Painter ... ... ... 3
W. Strike ... $\ldots \quad . . . . . . \quad 2 \quad$ J. R. Welton......
S. G. Vinceni ..........Tenor Conducted by S. G. Vincent.
Rung to celebrate the home-coming of the Rev. J. P. S. Harris and his bride, after their honeymoon. The Rector is captain of the band.

BURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8:

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, College Exercise, Violet, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford. Tenor I4 cwt, *James Hendry ... ... ...Tveble George Lines... ... ... 4 Henry W. Gayton... $\ldots \mathrm{I}^{2}$... Reginald C. Loveday ... 5 Harry Meadows ... ... 3 Charles W. Clarke ... Tenor Conducted by C. W. Clarke.

* First peal in seven treble bob methods.


## EATON SOCON, BEDS

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Cn Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MIMOR, 5040 CHAMGES;

Being 720 each of Single Court, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Eob, College Single and Plain Bob. Tenor 20 cwt. Rey. B. H. Tyrwintt-DrakeTreble $\mid$ Sidney J. Peck ... ... 4 Sydney J. Coleman ... ... 2 Edmund C. Chasty ... 5 George D. Coleman ... ... 3 | Herbert Fields ... ...Tenor Conducted by George D. Coleman.
Rung on All Saints' Day.

## WISSETT, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-three-and-a-half Minutes.
At the Chorch of St. Andrew,

## A FEAL OF NINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;

Being three 720's of Canterbury Pleasure and four of Plain Bob called differently.
John Spencer $\ldots$......Treble Tenor io cwt.
Albert J. L. Naunton ... 4 Wilelam H. P. Mellin ... 2 Herbert G. Pratt... ... 5 Conducted by Francis W. Naunton.
Rung for the festival of All Saints'.
BRADFORD-ON-TONE, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, November 1, 1913. in Three Honrs and Three Minutes,

At the Parish Chorch,

## A PEAL OF GRANBSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

*Ernest Brown...
Tenor 21 cwt.
Ernest Bull ...
Percy Merson...

| $\ldots$. | .. Treble | Arthur Symons | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Walter Fudge | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| 5 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Thomas Smith... | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ |

Conducted by P. Merson.
Tenor

* First peal. First peal on the bells. Rung on the Festival of All Saints', and as a wedding compliment to Mr. W. Thomas, a former member of this band. who was married on the previous Wednesday.


## HANDBELL PEALS. <br> GESTINGTHORPE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, October 30, 1913, in Two Hours. At the Lion Hotel,
a peal of bob miner, 5040 changes;
Being seven $720^{\circ}$ s called differently.
George Pannell ... ... 1 i-2 | Albert Catterwell ... 3-4
Olave Broyd... ... ... 5-6
Conducted by Olave Broyd. Umpire: Ernest Pearson.
Witnesses: George Walford and Frederick Artiss.
FYLINGDALES, YORKSHIRE.
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, November 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes, In the Belfry of St. Stephen's Church,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Mervyn Dock..
Albert Coates
zomposec

| I-2 | George F. Alexander |
| :--- | :---: |
| $3-4$ | Frank $S$. Hodgson |
| by George Crose and |  |
| by George F. Alexander. |  | Conducted by George F. Alexander.

## PAID NOT TO RING.

## BELLS THAT DID NOT ACCLATM THE KING.

The small and ancient town of Southam is situated in a rather inaccessible part of the county of Warwickshire, but the Church of St. James' now possesses a nice ring of eight bells, and the Rector, the Rev. J. Hart-Davies, is most anxious to see change ringing established firmly in the tower. The original ring was one of six bells, the first three of which were recast by Mears and Co. in 1863, while the last three ars dated 1615, 1650 and 1676 respectively. The fourth is by Watts, of Leicester, the fifth by John Martin, of Worcester, and the tenor by Henry Bagley. Recently Messrs. Taylor, of Lucughborough, were requisitioned to provide two new trebles and rehang the whole ring. This has been done in the firm's usual satisfactory way, and the only dis-
advantages falt at present are the very small dimensions of the ringing chamber and wather too much noise.

A somewhat unusual note is found is the churchwardens' accounts for 1641, as follows:

Paid to the King's footmen, who sealed up the church doors for not ringing when the King came to town ......................... 6s. 8d.

Paid also to them for not ringing when the King went out of
the town
5s. 0d.
The door of the tower and the trap-door of the ringing chamber-the latter apparently constructed for men of only normal size-were wide open, however, on Saturday week to the members of the Warwickshire Guild for their quarterly meeting, and two things, no doubt, were responsible for bringing together a very representative company. First, favourable cycling weather; and, second, the fact that it was the first opportunity for many to have a ring on the new octave. The ringers present numbered about thirty, and hailed from Allesley, Coventry, Rugby, Fenny Compton, Walsall, Northampton, Stratford-on-Avon, and Southam, and including Mr. J. W. Taylor of Loughborough. The President, the Rev. Alan Williams, also motored over from Warwick, and presided at the committee mecting before tea, and also at tea. The latter was partaken of at the Craven Arms Hotel, and the business meeting held afterwards. Chilvers Caton was selected as the place for the next quarterly meeting, in January, 1914, and a very hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Rector of Southam for his kind permission to use the bells, and for his interest in the Guild.
The Rev. C. C. Cax, on behalf of the members, expressed to Mr. J. H. White, of Coventry, their appreciation of his efforts to instil the Art into the minds of the local ringers. He was appointed instructor to the band a short time ago, and it speaks volumes for his energy and abilities that after eight weekly visits his pupils were able to ring their first six-scores of Doubles, with 7, 6, 8 covering. The best wishes of the Guild were given him in his work.-Mr. White thanked the members present, and looked forward with much hope to obtaining a good set of change ringers in Southam.

Some good touches were rung on the bells during the afternoon and evening, in which the local men took part, and the methods included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise Major.

ECKINGTON BELLS OPENED.
The opening of the bells at SS. Peter and Panl's Church, Eckington, Derbyshire, took place on Saturday, the first touches-504 Grandsire Triples and 336 Bob Major-being rung by the following Sheffeld ringers: Messrs. G. O. Dixon and J. Atkin (Pariah Church), G. F. Sarel, J. Dixon (St. Maries'), W. Biggin, F. James, F. Allen, T.' O'Hara and A. James (Norton). Ringers from Killamarsh and Staveley afterwards joined the company, and touches of Stedman and Treble Bob were brought round by mixed bands.
The restoration has been splendidly carried out by Mesars. J. Warner and Sons, who have erected a new steel frame, and retuned the bells. The rehanging has been admirably carried out, the "go" of the bells being everything that can be desired. The Rector (the Rev. W. H. H. Hewson) and the Church authorities are to be congratulated, not only upon the restoration of the bells and frame, but also of the fabric, a sum of about $£ 1,100$ having been epent altogether. This was a giganlic undertaking for a mining district.
The once capable band at Eckington have been split up by death and other causes, and it now depends upon the young men to fill their places, so that the Rector and those who have done so much to carry out the restoration will not have spent their labour in vain.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of tha Central Division was held at Cuckfield on Saturday, and was very well attended, over forty members being present. The bells were kept going until five o'clock, when a short ser-vice-led by the choir-was held in Church. The members then assembled at the Institute for tea, kindly provided by the Vicar (the Rev. R. Fisher), who afterwarls gave a brief history of the capital peal of bells which Guckfield possesses.

The usual business meeting followed, the Vicar presiding.--Eight new members were electecl.-A discussion followed as to whether a quarterly peal should be attempted, and it was decided that one should take place at Cholfiolfl tha Divisinnal vocretare to make arrangemanta
 his kindness in providing tea for the members, and welcoming them to Cuckfield, to which Mr. Fisher replied. The tower was again vieited, and the bells kent going in various methods (including Superlative and Cambridge Surprise) until close on 9 o'clock.
A very gratifying feature of the meeting was the number of young ringers present. The following towers were represented: Brighton, Cewreley, Burgess Hill, Lindficld, Balcombe, Twincham, Hurstpierpoint and $I$ [nene, strongly supported by the local band.
Althourh the attendance was about the average. it is felt that more should til:s the opportunity of bencfiting by the combined practice obtained at tincse mectings.
ALLESLEY, COTRNTRY.-Warwickshire Guild.-On Scpt. 28th, for morning service, 720 İnls Minor, in 27 mins.: C. Aylett 1, A. Wilson 2, H. Hastings 3, J. Taylcr (first with a bob bell) 4, R. Green 5, H. Kettle (conductor) 6. First 720 by a local band. For evening service, 360 Bob Minor, conducted by H. Kettle.

## PRESENTATION TO A SUSSEX RINGER. TWENTY-ONE YEARS' SERVIGE RECOGNISED.

For more than 25 years, Mr. Alfred J. Turner has been connected with the belfry of Southover Church, Lewes, and for 21 years now he has acted as "captain " of the ringers there. Indeed there have been periods in the vicissitudes of the Southover Guild when, but for his perseverance in getting new members and teaching them the elements of the art, the saciety would have ceased to exist. It was fitting, therefore, on attaining his " majority " in the leadership of the band that the members and friends should recognise his services in some tangible way.

Mr. Turner is widely known among Sussex ringers, and has rendered good service to the Sussex Association, for whom he has rung upwards of 250 jeals. On Wednesday of last week the annual dinner of the Southover Guild was held at the headquarters, the King's Head, and the opportunity was taken advantage of to present Mr. Turner with a gold watch chain and bell pendant. This little ceremony was one of the most pleasing features of a very enjoyable evening. The proceedings were presided over by the Rector (the Rev. T. H. Windle), who is president of tho Guild, and among those present were the Rev. A. S. Dendy (curate), Messrs. J. R. Lusted, J. T. Glandfield, H. E. White and F. A. Walston (vice-presidents), A. J. Turner (captain), E. J. Pannett (hon. secretary), H. W. Coupe, G. H. Sturt, F. S. Sturt, C. Errey, G. W. Moppett, E. Bish (Ditchling), J. Feist (Ditchling), J. Hart (Uckfield), etc.
After the loyal toasts had been duly honoured, the Rev. A. S. Dendy, submitted " Success to the Southover Church Bell Ringers' Guild." He said he had been in Australia for 35 years, and the bells he heard out there were principally cattle and sheep bells (laughter). In the churches there was usually only one bell, and that was generally cracked (laughter). IIe had, however, learned to appreciate a good toned bell, and he, therefore, appreciated Southover bells. The position of 2 bell ringer, he continucd, was a very sacred one, and the bells themselves were all the time giving out some message. His wish was ihat the bells might never grow fewer, that their tone would always be pure, and that the sound would always be carried forth calling men and women to ihe worship of God. The Church was under a deep obligation to the bell ringers, and recognised thei: arduous task.

## THE PRESENTATION.

The toast having been drunk with musical honours, Mr. E. J. Pannett replierl. The Southover Guild, he said, had 18 active members, but they hax not made the progress in the art of change ringing that he would have wishod. The only way to improve was by regular attendance. Nerertheless, with help from outside, several peals had been rung during the year.-Mr. Glandfield having spoken in appreciative terms of the services of the ringers, the Chairman handed to Mr. A. J. Turner a gold watch chain, with a gold bell attached. He made the presentation on behalf of the members of the Guild and friends, and said that during the few months he had been in Scuthover he had very much appreciated Mr. Turner's leadership of the bell ringers. The captain of the Guild was the most important member, and a great deal depended on him. He must show personal influence and example, so that when the time came for him to retire from his captainship there would be another who mould be capable of the position he was to be elected to. Ho hoped, however, that Mr. Turner would be spared for many years to captain the Guild (applause).
The gift was from members of the Southover Bell Ringers Guild and friends, and the bell bore th'. IS seription Southover Church isell Ringurs' Guild. Affed J. Turner, 21 years captain. October, i913." The gift was accompanied with an address, on which were the names of the subscribers.
Mr. Turner, in reply, said the gift was the bost he had ever received. It was not only the value of the gift he appreciated, but what came with it. It showed their friendship. For what little he had done he was amply repaid that night, and when the time came, as the Rector had said. when he would have to go, that gift would always remind him of the very happy times he had spent with the Guild. As long as he coukl he would do everything in his power for the Guild, and he would never forget the tribute they had paid him that evening (applause)

The President and Vice-Presidents " was proposed by Mr. F. S. \&urt, and was replied to by the Chairman, and Messrs. Lusted, Glandfield, White and Walston,-Mr. J. R. Lusted said he was pleased to say the Guild was prospering now more than it had ever done. He congravulated the energetic hon. secretary on the excellent work he
did, and hoped Mr. Pannett would be spared for many years to be among them. He hoped the ringers would all become members of the C.E.M.S., and that he would have the pleasure at the next monthly meeting of proposing them all as members, so that the Rector could admit them (applause)
The toast of "The Hostess " was also honoured, and when the Chairman had to leave his place was taken by Mr. Glandfeld, who heartily thanked Mr. Lusted for his work on behalf of the Guild.During the evening a capital musical programme was enjoyed.

## TREBLE BOB CATERS. <br> To the Editor.

Dear Sir,--Let me hasten to assure Mr. Parker that I have not the slightest wish to discourage the ringing of Surfleet Caters, even if I could do so. I am not deeply concerned as to whether Mr. James' method is, or is not, Treble Bob, but I am concerned about his claim (made nearly a century too late) to have rung the first peal of Treble Bob Oaters.

Personally, I do rot agree that "Surfleet " is Treble Bob at all, but I do not intend to enter into any discussion on this point, feeling, as I do, that it can very well be left to the recognised experts in method building, most of whom are apparently of the same opinion as myself.

What I do intend to do is to maintain, both now and in future, that the first peal of Treble Bob Catere ever rung was rung at St. Martin's, Birmingham, on January 7th, 1817, by members of the Guild of which I now have the honour of being secretary. In this connection I thank Mr. Armiger Trollope for his straightforward statement of the fact that
The Birmingham men were correct when they called what they rang Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Caters.'
The entry recording this peal in our Peal Book, with its footnote, "This is the first peal of Claters ever rung in this method," will be handed on to our successors exactly as it was handed down to us by our forefathers.
In conclusion, will those ringers in different parts of the country who have written me personally expressing approval of my action in defending the performances of the men of a bygone age, kindly accept my best thanks, as I really cannot undertake to acknowledge each one individually.-Yours faithfully,
A. PADDON SMITH.

Hon. Sec. St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A successful meeting of the Hunts District of the $E l_{y}$ Diocesan Association was held at Huntingdon on Saturday week. There were about 20 ringers present, the attendance including the Rev. K. D. Knowles, Vicar of Brampton; the Rev. H. B. Woolley, Vicar of Long Stanton (district secretary); Messrs. J. Goss and G. W. Coleman (comnittee), and ringers from Huntingdon (2), St. Noets (3), Chatteris (2), Brampton (7). Pundsbridge (1), Long Stanton (2), Ramsey (1) and Somersliam (1). The proceedings commenced with a short service at St. Mary's Church, conducted by the Rev. W. R. Gardner (Vicar of Huntington), at which the Archdeacon of Huntingdon gave a most interesting address.
The tea and meeting which followed were held in St. Nary's Parish Room. The Rev. W. R. Gardner was in the chair, and the following were elected members of the Association: Messrs. William and Edward Abraliam, William and John Allen, G. H. Boyce and William Henley (Brampton), and Mr. J. Willis (Pondsbridge).-It was decided to hold the next meeting if possible at Hemingford Grey towards the end of January.-A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar of Huntingdon for kindly making the arrangements, and presiding, and also to Archdeacon Vesey
'The toucher included at St. Mary's, 336 Grandsire Triples: R. Gamble 1, J. Smart 2, H. Fields 3, F. Creasey 4, G. D. Coleman 5, E. C. Chasty 6. W. J. Goss 7, J. Willis 8: also 224 Bob Major, both conducted by G. D. Coleman. At All Saints', 720 Kent Treble Bob: F. Greasey 1. G. D. Coleman (conductor) 2, D. Crashley 3, E. C. Chasty 4. H. Fields 5, F. Rowlinson 6: and 216 Bob Minor conducted by E. C. Chasty

## DEDICATION OF SURREY CHURCHES

Mr. J. Beams, of Banstead, writes to point out errors which have been made by those recording Surrey Association peals recently at two Surrey Churches. The Chureh at Redhill, he says, is dedicated to St. John the Evangelist, and not St. John the Baptist; and that at Hammerwood to St. Stephen, and not to St. Mary.
Our own view of these matters is that they entirely lose their value when they are inaccurate.

## JOSIAH MORRIS' 100 PEALS.

The following is the list of 100 peals mang by Mr. J. Morris, of Jeicester : Grandsire Triples, 17: Major, 2; Gaters, 10, including, 7001; Bol Minor, 1: Triples, 2; Mrajor, 17; Royal, 1: Kent Treble Bob Major, 17. including 10,176; Royal, 2; Oxford Treble Bob Minor, 1; Stedman Triples, 6: Caters, 5: Superlative Surprise Major, 2; Double Norwich Major, 17, including 11,008 and 17.104 Record: total, 100. Rung in 24 towers.

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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

## " BOST"ON STUMP."

We give on this page a picture of St. Botolph's Church, Boston, Lincs (familiarly known as "Boston Stump"), where a peal of Stedman Triples was rung recently under most difficult conditions by members of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild. There does not appear to be any authentic record of a previous peal having been rung here, but tradition has it that a peal was rung after the Battle of Waterloo, and that as it was the only one accomplished in celebration of the event, the ringers were taken to London, and feasted and made much of. Mention has already been made in these columns of the unique ringing chamber, which is a tremendous size, and of the dome which rises in the centre and hides nearly all of each ringer from the one opposite. The bells swing so near overhead

" Boston Stomp.
that a tall man could almost touch them if there were no floor. Naturally the noise is terrific, and the most brazenthroated bob-caller can, with difficulty, make himself heard, which means, of course, that a peal can only be accomplished practically without a trip. The sallies ane worn down to the bare rope with passing round the whecls, and every rope, from treble to tenor, must be slipped through the hand from the sally pull, or they will cast wheel; and, in addition, not the slightest amount of slack rope must be allowed. In damp weather the task of keeping the ropes on the wheels is almost hopeless. The rery short draught appears to account for the liability to cast wheel, for the wheels themselves seem fairly true.

St. Botolph's Church is one of the most striking and majestic in the kingdom. Its impressiveness arises
from the glory of its lofty tower, and the vastness of its interior. The body of the church is mainly pure, rich decorated of the time of Edward III, and the tower is one of the finest examples of perpendicular work in existence. The exquisite octagonal open lantern at the top of the tower served the purpose of a beacon light to guide mariners entering the Witham from the Wash. The interior of the tower is open to a height of 156 feet, culminating in the dome mentioned above, and the total height to the top of the lantern, from which a magnificent view is obtained, is nearly 300 feet. On a clear day Lincoln Minster, 30 miles away, and Tattershall Castle may be plainly seen. The following divisions of time are represented in the building: 60 steps to the chancel roof (seconds and minutes); 24 steps to the library (hours); seven doors to the church (days in the week); 52 windows (weeks in the year); it pillars (months in the year); and 365 steps in the tower (days in the year).

In addition to the ring of eight, there are four additional bells, which were cast out of a former carillon set of thirty-six.

1 and 2. H. Ingram, G. Bryan, W. Bonsfield, Churchwardens, 1785, T. Osborn, Fecit.
3.-1772.
4.-Johi Gamble, Edward Bell, John Jessop, Churchwardens, 1710.
5.- All Glory Bee to God on High, 1657.
f.--Robt. Wilby; Mayor, Thos. Hardwick; Samuel Obbinson and Jno Scrimsher, Churchwardens; Jno. Calthrop, Vicar; Jno. Linton, Lecturer, Tho Gayre Pryotechnus, de Kettering, Fecit 1758.
7.-John Calthrop, Vicar; Thomas Cheyney, John Lowe, John Betts, Churchwardens, 1772.
8.-G. B. Blenkin, M.A., Vicar; W. Gee, J. E. Ridlington, R. M. Dingwell, Churchwardens. Blessed is the Bleople that Know the Touful Sound. Me Fudit. A. L. Vandengheyn, Lovanii, MDCCCLVII.

## ODD CHANGES.

Last Saturday the Irthlingborough ringers celebrated the 2oth anniversary of the opening of the bells by ringing a peal of Cambridge Surprise on them. It was the i60ih peal on the bells, and the inquiry comes: Is there any other tower where there have been more peals rung in the time? Irthlingborough's is certainly a good record. Where is the next best?

A party of eight visited Rock, Worcestershire, last week end and rang Stedman Triples on Saturday night, Double Norwich for morning service on Sunday, and Superlative for evening service. Not a bad week end! The bells at Rock have just been restored, the tenor recast and two trebles added by Messrs. Taylor and Co.

At Irthlingborough on Sunday the bells were rung half muffled for those who perished in the colliery disaster at Senghenydd. Five Surprise methods were rung during the day, including London, Bristol, Cambridge, Superlative and a new Surprise method introduced by Mr. Gabriel Lindoff. Double Norwich and Stedman were also rung. Those who shared the ringing were W. Perkins, WV. German, J. Houghton, A. Perkins, J. Garratt, J. Mawby, H. Horn, J. Ward, A. Tyler and G. Dawning.

It spells enthusiasm when ringers will cycle $7^{2}$ miles for a peal, as did Mr. C. Edwards, of Farnham, Surrey, and Corpl. Gilbert, of Aldershot, before ringing the peal of Stedman Caters at Lewes, Sussex, on Saturday week. But those who know what Mr. Edwards has done to stir up interest in ringing in the towers round about Farnham will not be surprised at such keenness in him.

We hear that the scheme for providing St. Peter's Church, Brighton, with a new peal of bells is well advanced. It is proposed to have a ring of ten with a tenor of about 25 cwt . They will be hung in a two-tier frame, much lower in the tower than the present peal, thus substantially reducing the present long draft of rope. The funds necessary for the new bells and erection have been already subscribed or promised, and the only liability is about $£ 40$ for alterations to clock hammers, deadening floor, guides in the ringing room, etc. It is hoped that the opening may take place immediately atter Easter.

## CAVERSHAM MAJOR.

## MR. WASHBROOK AND HIS METHOD. HIS VIEWS ON STEDMAN.

The Rev. Oyril Jenkyn writes as follows:-With Mr. Washbrook's permission, indeed I may say at his suggestion, I am asking you to publish the letter enclosed, which I have received from him on the subject of the classification of the method composed by him and recently rung by the Gaversham band, and published as Surprise Principle. I think his letter will be of considerable interest to many of your readers, as will also the snnouncement that by the desire of the performing band, and with the consent of the composer, the method shall be called, 't Caversham Major."
The letter Mr. Washbrook addressed to the Rev. Oyrib Jenkyn is as follows:-
Rev. a.nd Dear Sir, - I was glad to get your letter re the new method. I am quite willing to leave it in your hands to select the name. I am sorry not to have been able to satisfy the majority of people that the method is a Surprise Principle, but, as the trouble seems to be merely in the name, I don't know that it matters.
I built the method for the purpose of giring the Exercise something more difficult and interesting to ring, and at the same time taking care that it should contain the finest of bell music. In my opinion, the construction of the thing is much more elaborate than any other Prinoiple, as it contains all that is necessary to warrant my first idea of a name for it. While it embodies the natural work of a Principle it has the work of a Surprise at the eame time.

The modern idea of what is a Surprise and what is a Principle is

## DOING AWAY WITH THE OLD IDEA

altogether. The old masters who built up these things had quite a different meaning. It was this: any method with alteration only at the treble lead was a plain method; methoris with places when the treble was in other positions were called Delights and Exeroises, but a method that had places in Surprise positions, made all kinds of ways, was a Surprise. Is that not 60? Now, how comes the idea that a Principle, which word indicates that all the bells do the same work (i.e., have no "guiding bell") could not have its Delights, Exercises and Surprises? I am sure that it should be so; they should have them. Perhaps we have hardly arrived at this point of understanding yet.

Now, I would like to say a few words about Stedman, which Mr. James argues is not a Principle, and was not intended to be used as we use it, and that the quick six should be a bob six. If this is true, how was it that Stedman used a quick six to start hic method? It is simply natural that he should do so. When he started to build a method on the three-bell plan, with no experience of back and hand leads, he would most certainly write off in this way: 123,213 $231,321, \quad 312,132,123$. Here you have what we call a quick six, but he found that he could not break away from this only in the middle of the six
owing to the bells coming home. Then the idea of the slow six prob ably dawned upon him, and he used it to form a shunt in a Principle exactly the same as he used the 3rd's place to form shunt in Grandwas a step in the wrong direction of 5th'd place in Sterlman Triplea was a step in the wrong direction, as the bob shunt in all systems should be merely an extra plain slunt. Therefore, when Stedman was extended to Triples it should hare been three quick sizes and one slow, and whenever a bob was used it should alter a quick six to a slow. Of course the men who altered the thing did it in the interest of simplicity, by not altering the front works.- Yours truly,
W. WASHBROOK.

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Amount already acknowledged, £7 13s. 10d.: Mr. Turner, Rayne, 5s.: J. Clayden, Rayne, 2s. 6d.; G. Barnard, Rayne, 2s.; L. Richardson, Rayne, Rs. E. Chalk, Heydridge, 1s.: G. Margetson, Chigwell, 2s. 6d.; W. Watts, Stansted, 1s. 6d. ; P. Sayer, Great Totham, 1s.; Widford Ringers, 3s.; Barking Ringers, 5s. Gd.; Farlow Common Ringers, 58 .; Walthametow St. Saviour's, 2 s , ; Great Tey, 3s.; Great Ringers, 5 s . ; Walthametow St. Saviour's, 2s.; Great Tey, 3s.; Great
Baddow, 4s. 3d.: Danbury, 5s.; W'anstead, 4s. 6cl.; total, £10 3s. 7d.

## NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL.

Tr, the Editor
Dear Sir,-I perused the Rev. E. S. Powell's amusing letter, and while I don't mind the colour of his language, I consider he should master the elements of the subject before adjudicating. His letters are nearly as good as false peals, as a charge of piracy was never made. On the contrary, it was pointed out to the gentleman concerned, in friendly terms, that such variations or extracts were obtainable by a more simple process than actual composing, and here was the opportunity for a graccful retreat from the untenable position he had taken. But to favour his vain contention, as the reverend gentleman did, is to encourage would-be composers to follow the same line, and hand over a premium for plagiarism.
After evading my query with sublime simplicity almost he actually asks my opinion upon the four 5040 's, as given in Vol. ii, page 232. In answer to this, I may say I replied to this question during our correspondence, and do not care to make a second statement. Further, I do not feel inclined to appraise the 5040 s variations, extracted from the original peals of 9720 changes by myself and old frionds, as $I$ am doubtful if I could do justice, although truthfully I should say "Well done, old chap, you have reduced a long poal to a ahort one very nicely, and its a clever cut."
Lastly, I am asked to pass judgment upon my own and colleagues' views in the late controversy on this subject, and while I do not care for the job, kindly let me say there are no two gentlemen in the Exercise, who are more respected and none botter acquainted with the subject and points at issue, and none better qualified to give sound judgment in this matter than Mr. Hattersley and Mr. Pitstow. I would advise the Rev. E. S. Powell to read up the correspondence again and revive his memory. Should he not clearly sce and understand the justness of our claim, let me here tell him plainly that any conductor or bob caller adding a bob to Lockwood's 9120 'Treble Bob, as mentioned in my first letter, and claiming it as his own composition, would be branded as a peal snatcher outright, and no one knows this fact better than the gentlemen concerned in the 5040's under notice
H. DAINS.

## BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Axbridge Deancry Branch was held at Blagdon, some 47 members being present, representing Blagdon, Bridgwater, Burnham, Berrow, Cheddar, Congresbury, Midsomer Norton, Weston-super-Mare, East Brent, Uphill, Kewstoke, etc. Service Wam held in the Parish Church, and a capital address was given by the Rector (the Rev. G. M. Lambrick). Tea was partaken of in the Parish Room, after which the business meeting was held, the chair being taken by the Rector, in the absence of the President. -Four honorary and two performing members were elected. Burnham and Kewstoke were proposed for the next quarterly mecting, and Burnham was selected. The next intermediate meeting will be held at Kewstoke:A very liearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. G. M. Lambrick for the use of the bells, for arranging the service, for his able address, and for presiding at the meeting.-During the meeting in letter was read with regard to the restoration of Butcombe Church, and a collection was made on behalf of the fund by which a sum of $13 \mathrm{~s} .6 \frac{1}{2} d$. was realised.
During the afternoon and evening several good touches of Grandsire Triples and Doubles were rung.

## BIBLICAL BELLS.

Anxious Inquirer " is informed that so far as we are aware there are only three chapters in the Bible where bells are mentioned, viz., in Excdus xxviii, 33, 34 ; and Fxodus xxxix, 25, 26, in the description of the robe of Aaron; and in Zechariah xiv, 20: "F In that day shall there be upon the bells of the horses Holiness unto the Lord.'

## GUILDFORD SURPRISE PEAL FALSE.

To the Fditor
Sir, -I am sorry to have to withdraw the peal of Guildford Surprise, rung at Holy Trinity, Guildford, on October 17th, which, through no fault of Mr. F. A. Holden, whose composition I oalled, is false. I Tuit? undersinol that all peals of Brislol and Troble Bro would wun true, fut this is not us. 1 should like to taka this opportunity, throagh "The Ringing World," of thanking Mr. G. Lindoff for his trouble and the kind manner he pointed this out to me. I ann only offer my humble apology to the company, and hope we shall be able to make a nother attempt as soon as the bells are obtaimable.- Yours faithfully,
A. H. PULLING.

## PETERBOROUGH \& DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

A district meeting of the Petcrhorough Association was held at Pectar (the Rev. F. Almond), and two new members wero elceted.
Ringers were present from: Maxey (2), Fleet (1), Yaxley (2), Stamford (4). West Deeping (1), Littleworth (2), Bourne (2), Edenham (1), Castor (1), Peterborough (6), and the local band (6). After tea, the members attended evensong, at which the Rector offioiated. The methods rung during the afternoon and evening were: Grandsire Doribles, Plain Bob, Double Oxford. Double Court, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Cambrirge Surprise Minor.

## Chelmsford Cathedral.



The new ring of 12 bells (Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs.) for Chelmsford Cathedral was dedicated by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans on Saturday, September 27th, 1913.

## MESSRS. JOHN WARNER \& SONS. Ltd.. of the

 Spitalfields Bell Foundry, London, have in hand the restoration of the following rings of 12 bells:YORK MINSTER. (Tenor $50 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.)
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## SHOREDITCH BELLS.

## RE-OPENING TO-MORROW.

The famous bells of Shoreditch are to be re-opened to-morrow. On Monday they werc dedicated by the Bishop of Stepney at festal evensong, a large congregation being present, including the Mayor and members of the Borough Council.

At to-morrow's opening the bells will be available for ringing from 2.30 p.m., and at 4.30 there will be a service, at which the Rer. G. F. Coleridge will be the preacher.

A very suocessful concert in aid of the bells fund wat held at Shoreditch Town Hall, on Thursday of last week.
The restoration. as is well known, has been carried out by Messrs. J. Warner and Sons, of the Spitalfields Foundry.

The four old trebles have been recast, and all the bells have been tumed upon Canon Simpon's five-tone prinoiple, and St. Leonard's thus possesses the only ring of 12 bells in London tuned by this method. The whole of the oak framework has been cleared out of the tower, and one of Messrs. Warner and Sons' special pattern all-steel bell frames in two tiers has been erected. This steel frame is on the same principle as that for the new ring of twelve at Chelmsford Cathedral, but with the difference that seven of the ring are below and five above, and, notwithstanding this fact, it is entirely independent of the walls, being built up from the four main girders which are built into the walls just above the old floor. Provision has been made in the frame for a semi-tone bell to be added at a later date, so as to obtain a light ring of eight bells based upon a 10 f cwt . tenor in the key of G.
The bells are all fitted with cast iron headstocks, and latest pattern fittings, together with Messrs. Warner and Son's new patent selfaligning bearings, fitted with oil rings and grease boxes, which have been such a great success at Chelmsford Cathedral.

It will come as a great surprise to ringers when they visit the belfry to find such an extraordinary revolution in what has become to be regarded as the standard type of bell frame, as the new framework for St. Leonard's Church is designed upon the latest practice in constructional engineering.

Appended are the inscriptions:-
Treble. - E. R. Ford, Viear; W. Field and R. Howard Wall, Churchwardens. The expense of recasting me was borne by the Right Honourable Humphrey Napier, Baron Alington, K.C.V.O. Recast by John Warner and Sons, London, 1913.
2nc. -The treble and this bell were giren by the Royal Cumberland Youths, 1807. Recast by John Warner and Sons, London, 1913.
3rd.-Gast 1765. Recact by John Warner and Sons, London, 1913.
This ring of 12 was restored through the efforts of Hubert J. Bradley, Steeplekeeper.
4th.-Cast 1765. Recast by John Warner and Sons, London, 1913. The expense of recasting me was borne by Jeremiah Rotherham and Co., Ltd.
5th.-Tho Lester made me 1739.
61.h.-At proper time my voice il raise and sound to my subscribers prais-Tho. Lester.
7th. -Thomas Lester made me 1739
8th.-Thomas Lester made me 1739.
9th.--Thos. Dunn, Wm. Goswell, Ruilders of the Church. Thomas Lester made me 1739.
10th.- İenry Wheatley and Joh. Hart, Churchwarden, 1739. Thos. Lester.
11th.-Richard Tillsley and John Hiller, Churehwarten, 1739. Thomas Lester made me.
Tenor.-William Blews and Son, Founders, Birmingham, 1875. This bell was recast and the whole of the peal placed in an efficient condition in the above year by voluntary subscription. Rev. T. S. Evans, M.A., Vicar. Committee: A. G. Critchfield, L. R. Sackell, (Churchwardens), J. J. Lascelles, J. Pettett, F. M. Wemborn, E. Moffatt, II. V. Chichester, T. W. Hodges, Overseers. G. Davis, Secretary to the Committee.
The weights and notes of the bells are as follow:-

| Treble ... | Notes. G. | Cwts. | Urs. | lbs. 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2nd ... | … F . | 1 | 1 | 26 |
| 3rd | ... E. | 4 | 2 | 22 |
| sth | ... D. | う | 0 | 16 |
| 5th | C. | 6 | 1 | 26 |
| 6 th | B. | 6 | 2 | 10 |
| 7th | A. | 8 | 2 | 0 |
| 8th | G. | 10 | 1 | 8 |
| 9th | F. | 11 | 2 | 2 |
| 10th | ... E. | 13 | 0 | 6 |
| 11th | ... D. | 18 | 2 | 0 |
| 'Tenor | C. | 28 | 1 | 14 |
|  | Tons 6 | 1 | 3 | 18 |

In connection with the opening of the bells, ringers will be welcomed at the Spitalfields Foundry, between the hours of 9.30 a.m. and 12 o'clock. The foundry is reached from Bishopsgate Street, by way of Brushfield Street, Commercial Street, Church Street, Brick Lane, Heneage Street, and Spelman Street; from High Street, Shoreditch, by way of Commercial Street and Hanbury Street, into Brick Lane.

## THE DESTRUCTION OF CLANDON TOWER.

The striking photograph which we give on this page shows the destruction wrought by the fire at West Clandon Church last week. As reported in our last issue, the steeple, which reached to a height of about 130 ft ,, and everything inside the tower was destroyed, but happily the damage is covered by insurance. It is rather remarkable that only on the night before the fire a cheque was signed and dispatched to the Ecclesiastical Insurance office, increasing the amount of the policy on the building, and although the remittance had not reached the insurance office when the fire broke out, the company, having had the circumstances laid before them, have generously agreed to regard the new policy as in force at the time of the fire, and to pay the claim accordingly.

It is expected, therefore, that the authorities will be able to proceed

almost immediately to restore the steeple and replace the bells, to repair the organ, which was damaged by water and steam, and to carry out minor repairs to the decoration, furniture, etc., of the church. Sufficient metal was recovered to rucast the three largest bells, and now that the work has, perforee, to be undertaken, it would be an excellent opportunity to increase the peal to the full octave. At any rate, the six bells will be replaced, and we are glad to hear that the peal boards will also be renewed.

In our picture the charred beams of the bell frame will be seen resting on the tower walls. The picture was taken before the fire was finally suhdued, and the Guildford Motor Fire Engine at work can be obsorved in the foreground, while a fireman mounted on the top of an cscape is directing a delivery on to the burning building.

PLYMOUTH. - 'Jhe Devon Guild.-On Sunday, Oct. 5th, at St. Andrew's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (from Holt's Original), in 52 mins.: F. Lowis 1, J. Gluyas 2, A. Nitchelmore 3, W. Richards 4, W. Hambyn 5, W. Shears 6, G. IL. Myers (conductor) 7, G. E. Parr, senr., 8. Rung after meeting short for Grandsire Caters.

WEST EALING.-For the evening service, at St. Stephen's, on Oct. 12th, various touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and Bob Major were ring, conlucted by J. R. Mackman and J. A. Trollope, the following ringers taking part: Miss Alice Jones, J. Crocker, Goo. Edwards, A. Harding, Geo. Harbour, H. Lidbetter, H. Noakes, Geo. Spencer and W. Lawrence.

## GLOUCESTER SURPRISE.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-The following mothods on ten and twelve bells are produced by exactly the same laws of construction that make Gloucester Surprise Major, and if there are such things as Gloucester Royal and Maximus these are they. The question I should like to have answered is this: Is the work of the individual bells sufficiently alike to call all three by the same name-Gloucester Surprise? There is another version just as close to the Major in construction, but hardly so near in work.-Yours truly,


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## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BIGGLESWADE BRANCH SECRETARY'S RESIGNATION.
A meeting of the Biggleswade Branch of the Beds Association was held at Old Warden, on Saturday, when nearly 20 members attended from Potton, Sandy, Northill, Blunham, Biggleswade and Clifton, together with several of the local band. Good practice in various methods was had upon the bells, a nice peal of six by Messrs. Taylor and Co.

At the meeting held in the belfry, and presided over by Mr. W. J. Mayes, of Old Warden, one member was elected, and the resignation was received of the branch secretary (Mr. F. Blood), who will be leaving the district in a few weeks. His resignation was accepted with regret.-Mr. H. Rowlett, of Biggleswade, thanked Mr. Blood for all he had done for the branch, and said how sorry the members were that he was going to leave them, because he had worked extremely hard to better the condition of the Art in that part of Bedfordshire. At the eame time they wished him success wherever he went.-Mr. Blood, in reply, said how sorry he was to leave them all. He would always carry with him the memory of his stay in Bedfordshire, and he hoped the work he had helped to start would continue and prosper, and that the branch would be a great success.

Mr. E. Stration, of Biggleswade, was elected secretary pro tem.
A vote of thanks to the Chairman, and to the Vicar for kindly granting the use of the bells, terminated the meeting

## BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

The Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch of this Association held its quarterly meeting on Saturday. By the kind invitation of the branch president (the Rev. J. E. W. Honnywill), the gathering took place at Leigh-on-Mendip. Ringers began to arrive about 3 p.m. and soon the tuneful peal of six was set going to Grandsire, etc. A very bright service, conducted by the Rev. J. E. W. Honnywill, was most heartily enjoyed. After service, the members, about 50 in number, adjourned to the Church Institute, where a most substantial repast, generously provided by the popular president, was vigorously attacker and promptly disposed of. Subsequently, the ueual business meeting, with the President as chairman, took place. New members were elected, and the place of the next quarterly meeting was discussed. Camerton was ultimately selected as the rendezrous, the meeting to take place on the last Saturday in January, 1914. The business proceedings concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Honnywill for their great kindness in so very many ways to the Branch, arid particularly for their generosity that day, the members being keenly alive to the fact that they are most fortunate in having such a genial and warm-hearted gentleman as their President. - A hearty vote of thanks was also accorded to the hon. secretary (Mr. I. B. Holmyard).-Both votes of thanks were suitably responded to. Business concluded, the ringing chamber was again the general resort, and Stedman Doubles, Grandsire Dcubles, and Bob Minor were well struck and much enjoyed.
Among the towers represented were: Frome, Nunney, Wanstrow, Doulting. Leigh-on-Mendip, Camerton, High Littleton, ChewtonMendip, Stow Easton, Midsomer Norton. As the evening wore on, the members began gradually to disperse, and it was the general opinion that the day hacl been thoroughly enjoyable, and the meeting one of the most successful in the history of the branch.

## KENT ASSOCIATION

## LEITISHAM DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Lewisham district was held at Crayford, on Saturday week. Owing to the accident on the S.E. and C. Railway, a good number did not reach the church in time for the service at which an excellent address was delivered by the Rer. Gustarus Jones (Rector) from St. Matt. xxi, 28. "Son, go mork to-day in my vineyard."
Tea followed in St. Paulinus Hall, to which 69 sat down, including the Rector, the Rers. W. B. Lord, and W. J. Bloomfield, and Mr. E. R. Stoneham (churchwarden). At the business meeting, which followed, the Rector presided. St. Margaret's, Lee, and Lewisham, were proposed as the place of the next quarterly meeting, the latter being carried by a large majority, for the third Saturday in January, 1914.
The District Secretary (Mr. T. Groombridge, senr.) then read his annual report, which was adopted, and a vate of thanks accorded him for it. He was re-elected district secretary, and Mr. W. J. Jeffries was re-elected district representative.
A discussion then took place on the Benevolent Fund, and the District Representative was asked to more the insertion of an amending word at the coming committee meeting.
A hearty rote of thanks was passed to the Rector for his address, the use of the bells, and presiding, to the Revs. Lord and Bloomfield, and Mr. C. R. Stoneham for meeting the ringers, to Mr. P. C. Bex and the local band for making the arrangements, to the organist and choir for their services in church, and to the ladies who had so kindly waited on the party at tea.-The Rector. Mr. P. C. Bex and Mr. C. Barnett, senr., replied. -The tower was afterwards again visited.
After the peal at Edenbridge, on Saturday, rung as a birthdar compliment to the Vicar, the Rev. H. Somers-Cocks and Mrs. SomersCocks entertained the band to a splendid supper at the Vicarage. Subsequently a pleasant half-hour was spent listening to the Vicar's adventures in the Holv Land, and viewing relics, including a small
portion of rock from Mount Jiorin'l.

## NOTICES.

IMPORTANT. - Correspondents and others should note that in future all communications to "The Ringing World " should be addressed to 9, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

SHOREDITCH BELLS.-The formal opening of these bells will take place on Saturday, November 8th, when, by an arrangement with the "Fund Committee," a quarterly meeting of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths will be held. All ringers and subscribers are heartily invited to attend. Tower open at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., short service at 4 p.m., with an address by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge. Will all those who still have collecting cards for the above object return the same before this dale?-F. Bennett, 3, Harts Lane, New Cross, S.E.. ; H. J. Bradley, The Parish Church, Shoreditch.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). -Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on November 18th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 2oth; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the IIth; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 25 th; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus $7 \cdot 30$; the others 8 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch.-A meeting will be held at Woolton on Saturday, November 8th. Bells ready at 4. A good meeting is re-quested.-Walter Hughes, Honorary Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at Deane on Saturday, November 8th, at 6 o'clock. Meeting at $7 \cdot 30$ - G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Peterstone, Marshfield, Mon., on Saturday, November 8th, at 4.30. The restored ring of eight bells will be rung for the first time, and will be available for ringing all the evening. Marshfield ( 8 bells) also available. Tea will be provided free. Will those intending to be present kindly advise the Honorary Secretary, Mr. J. W. Jones, Piercefield, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon., not later than Tuesday, November 4th.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.-The annual meeting of the above district will be held at Winchester on Saturday, November 8th. The Cathedral will be open during the afternoon and evening. Evensong in the choir of the Cathedral at 4 o'clock. Tea in St. Maurice Hall at 5.15 p.m. Business meeting immediately after the tea.-James W. Elkins, District Secretary, 20, Culver Road, Winchester.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Tonbridge Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Horsmonden on Saturday, November 8th. Tower open at 4 o'clock. Business meeting in the schoolroom. Nearest station is Goudhurst.-W. Latter, Honorary District Secretary.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). - The 276th anniversary dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on November 8th, at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tickets, 4 s . each, may be obtained of Messrs. J. Akehurst, J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies, T. Faulkner, G. R. Fardon, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, E. Horrex. A. Hughes, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, E.
P. O'Meara, A. B. Peck, G. N. Price, W. Prime, G. W. Wild, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, or W. T. Cockerill, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. Towers open for ringing: St. Mary-leBow, Cheapside, and St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, 4 to 6 p.m.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - North-Eastern Dis-trict.-The annual meeting for this district will be held at Coggeshall on Saturday, November 15th. Tea (followed by meeting) will be provided at the Chappell Hotel at $5.30,6 \mathrm{~d}$. each to members giving notice.-A. Shufflebotham, District Secretary, Little Square, Braintree.

LADIES' GUILD (Southern District).-A meeting will be held in Reading on Saturday, Nov. 15th. Ring at Caversham (8) at 2.30, and afterwards at St. Lawrence (Io), and St. Giles" (8). Tea at the "Rising Sun," at 4.30. Gentlemen are cordially invited. Will those intending to be present kindly notify Miss E. Belcher, Mereside, Fieet, Hants, before Nov. ioth.

SURREY. ASSOCIATION.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Streatham on Saturday, November isth. St. Leonard's tower open lor ringing at 3 p.m Committee meeting at 4.30 . Tea at 5.15. Business meeting after; all in the Schoolroom adjoining the Church.-Cyril F. Johnston, Bell Foundry, Croydon.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).-Northern District.-The next meeting will be held at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, on Saturday, November i5th, igi3. Bells available from 6 to 8 p.m. Business mecting to follow. All cordially invited.-J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7d, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Higher Walton on Nov. I5th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at $5 \cdot 30$ - E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary.

OLDHAM SOCIETY.-The next quarterly meeting of the Oldham Society will be held at St. Mark's Church, Glodwick, on Saturday, November 15 th. Bells ready at 3.30. Business meeting at 6.30.-Joseph Ogden, 13.5, Salts Street, Shaw, Oldham.

THE ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATF' SOCIETY, SHEFFIELD.-The next meeting of the above socicty will be held at Ecclesfield on Saturday, November isth. Tower open at 4 p.m.-J. Evinson, 9I, Clarence Street, Sheffield.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.--Manchester Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at St. Michael's Parish Church, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Saturday, November $I_{5}$ th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Meeting at 7 p.m. All ringers welcome. - W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Northern District.-A meeting will be held on Saturday, November I5th, at Hitchin. The Vicar and churchwardens kindly provide tea.-F. R. Bacon, District Secretary.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern District.The annual meeting will be held at Ingatestone on Saturday, November ${ }^{1} 5^{\text {th }}$. Service at 5 o'clock. Short address by the Rev. J. W. House, Rector of Fryerning. Tea and meeting at 5.45 at the Spread Eagle Hotel, 6d. to members, is. 6d. to others. All outstanding subscriptions ought to be paid at this meeting. Ingatestone bells (5) at $3 \cdot 30$, and during the evening. Fryerning bells (5) 3.30 to 4.30 , and 7.30 to 9 . Members requiring tea
kindly notify me not later than first post Wednesday, November 12 th.-Henry F. Cooper, District Secretary, County Offices, Chelmsford.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual meeting of the Guildford district will be held at Guildford on Wednesday, November igth, 19I3. S. Nicolas' bells (io) available at 4 p.m., service at S. Nicolas' Church at $5 \cdot 30$, preacher: Rev. G. Dandridge, M.A., Rector. Tea at the Star Hotel at 6.I5, Chairman: His Worship the Mayor of Guildford (G. S. Odling-Smee, Esq., J.P.). 'Tickets free to members, is. 10 visitors.-John J. Jones, Honorary Secretary, North Street, Guildford.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District.--Annual meeting at Basingstoke, Saturday, November 22nd. Bells (8) from 4 o'clock. Service at 5.30. Tea and business meeting at Church Cottage at 6. 5 5.-F. G. Hume, District Secretary, Oakley,

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rocadale Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Todmorden Unitarian on Saturday, November 22nd. Bells ready at 3. Business meeting 6.30. -- Joseph Ogden, Secretary, ${ }^{1} 35$, Salts Street, Shaw, Oldham.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Norwood Green on Saturday, November 22nd. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea by invitation of the Rector (Rev. H. O. Walpole) in Biscoes Schools at $5 \cdot 30 .-H$. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.-Meetings for practice at the Cathedral will be held weekly on Thursdays, at $7 \cdot 30$, and on the last Saturday in each month, also at 7.30 p.m. Ringing on Sundays will be for morning service io to 1 I a.m. Evening service 6 to 7 p.m. All ringers will be heartily welcomed at any time.-H. F. Cooper, County Offices, Chelmsford.

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MY8SRs. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON. 4th March, 1812. Gantlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two moll ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recontly carried cut by you has proved most auccessful, and given seneral satisfaction.

1 am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to eay how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to ivdge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best pesls in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,

Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

## CARE OF BELLS.

The question of the care of bells, or rather of the responsibility for their care, loomed largely in the speeches made at the College Youths dinner last Saturday, when to celebrate the 276 th anniversary a record gathering of ringers assembled. The keynote was touched by the Master, who having, in proposing the toast of "The Church," enumerated some of the responsibilities of the ringers, alsoreferred to the responsibilities of the Church towards the bells. The Archdeacon of London took up the cue, andi was followed by the Master of the Oxford Guild, who, speaking from a wide experience, referred to the sad fact that despite all that had been done and was still being done, there existed cases in which the belfry was a most sadly neglected part of the Church. He quoted an instance, which came under his personal notice, of a parsons whose attention was called to the accumulation of sticks and rubbish in the belfry-brought there by jackdawsand who, when it was suggested that something should be done to keep the birds out of the tower, calmly replied that he did not mind about them getting into the belfry as. long as they kept out of his garden.

It is almost unbelievable that in these days such indifference to a portion of the consecrated church could exist. Happily this kind of neglect is rapidly passingaway, and, as Mr. Faulkner put it, in a large measure owing to the efforts of the ringers themselves. We agree with him that much of the reform that has taken place has come from within and not from without, and that it has been owing to the persistent efforts of the ringers to interest the clergy in the part of the service which they render, that changes have come about which not only have improved the belfries but have raised the standard of the ringers. Some day, perhaps, in every church throughout the land the belfry will be as much cared for as the chancel. The movement in that direction is going on apace, and the public who know and love their parish churches little realise how much of this is due to the ringers.
Our associations and their members have a growing sense of their responsibility to the Church, and $\mathrm{Mr}_{\mathrm{r}}$. Faulkner was certainly only doing his duty when he held up, on the other hand, the responsibility of the Church to the ringers. Not infrequently, even in these days, those who undertake to ring the bells meet with scant encouragement. They seldom, if ever, see their parson in the belfry, and these are the cases, generally, where the parson seldom sees the ringers in the church. Wherever the clergy interest themselves in the ringers-and they are now doing so more than ever before--one usually finds that the belfry is well cared for and the ringers are the best of Churchmen. There is a lesson even for the clergy to be gained from this.

# CHARLES CARR, ${ }^{\text {ITI }}$ 



OPINION OF OUR MODERN WORK.

Broomfleld Vicasags, Cbelmaford

Dear Sirs,
I have great pleasure in atating that we are perfectly satisfled with the manner in which you have garried oat the work eatrustej to ron of re-arranging and re-hanging the Broomteld Church Bells.
We consiller that the work reflects great credit upon your firm. and teliers thet your system of asiging the bells reduces the vibratlon of the steel frame supplied by you to a minimum.

The CEURCHFARDENS unite Tith ME in this expression of opinion. The BELIRINGERS are also unanimous in their praise of the alterations effected by you.

## Youre truly,

CHAS. FDMUNDS
Ficar of Broomfleld.
Hessrs. C. CARK, LTD.
Smetbrick.
Eindly ask as to lnspect, Report and Tender before deciding your Contract, - we may be able to s.ssist you.

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*ater to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Euinburgh, St. Alban's, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough Mulbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin, St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals etc., etc.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

APPLETON, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, November 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutis, At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES; Tenor I4 ${ }^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Gordon Caudivell... .
Gordon Caudivell... ...Tyeble Arthor H Whire
Harry Holifield...
George Holifield, Junr.
Cuthbert $G$. White Arthor H. White F. Stedman White Richard White ... ... 9 Fred White ... ... ... tenio Composed by John Cox, and Conducted by G. Holifield, Senr.

- First peal of Caters.


## WEST HAM ESSEX.

THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, November 6, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Thirty Minuirs. At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF KENT treble bob royal, 5040 ghanges ; Tenor 28 cwt.
Alfred W. Grimes ... ...Treble James E. Davis ... ... 6 Arthur J. Neale ... ... 2 William H. Theobald... 7 William Truss ... ... ... 3 Redben Sanders ... ... 8 Thomas King ... ... ... 4 Henry Torble...... George R. Pye... ... ... 5 Ernest Pye ... ... ... 7 enir Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by Alfred W. Grimes.
Messrs. Grimes, Davis and King were elected members previous to starting.

MELTON MOWBRAY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES; Tenor $25 \pm$ cwt., in $D$.
Shirley Burton... ... ...Treble $\mid$ R. Henry Bartram ... 6 $\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Ernest Bartram } & \ldots & \ldots & 2 & \text { H. Edward Norman } . . . & 7\end{array}$ Edgar Vallance ......$\quad 3 \quad$ Richard Mount... Sidney Proctor... $. . . \quad . . .4 .4$ William Willison ... $\quad . .$. William G. Thorpe... ... 5 Ralith B. Hubbard ...Teior Composed and Conducted by William Willson.
First peal by ringer of treble and first in the method by ringers of 2nd, 3 rd, 7 th and tenor. Messrs. Bartram and Mount belong to Melton, Proctor and Thorpe hail from Grantham, the rest from Leicester.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

RAINHAM, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Wednesday, October 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minatus,
At the Church of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.

- Sidney Champion ... ...Treble

Wimeiam Haigh
... ... 2
*Frederick Ockwell ... 3
*Albert Manktelow

Tenor 22 cwt .

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Triples. First peal on the bells since augmentation to eight by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough, awd rurg at the first attempt.

CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Chiddingfold Society.)
On Wednesday, Oclobrr 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minstes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Holt's Ten-Part.

Tenor II妾 cwt. Cladd Remnant... ... ...Treble Thomas Attwell ... ... 2 Walter G. Brockhorst 6 Arthur J. Bartlett ... 3 Herbert J. Ellis ... ... 7 Thomas W. Burdock ... 4 Thomas Luff ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Arthor J. Bartlett.
Rung in honour of the birth of a son and heir to the Rector and Mrs. Ward, the happy event taking place on Saturday, October 25 th.

ROCK, WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTEIRSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Division.)
On Saturday. Novenvber 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Thomas J. Salter ... ...Tyeble Joseph Pigott William Page ... ... ... 2 Robert Matthews ... ... 6
 Conducted by William Short.
First peal on the bells.
ROCK, WORCESTERSHI民E.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Northern Division.)
On Sunday, November 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 GHANGES; \begin{tabular}{llll|ll}
William Short ... \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$. Treble \& John Smith \& $\ldots$ \&... <br>
Thomas J. Salter \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& 2 \& Samol Grove... \&... <br>
John Withers \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& $\cdots$ \& 3 \& 6 <br>
John \& Joseph Pigott... \&... \&.. \& 7

 

John Withers \&.. \&... \&.. \& 3 \& Joseph Pigott... ... \&... \& 7 <br>
William Page \&... \&... \&... \& 4 \& Robert Matthews... \& ... Tenor
\end{tabular}

Composed by F. Hopgood, and
Conducted by R. Matthews.
First peal of Major on the bells.
ROCK, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Division.)
On Sunday, Novenber 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
John Smith ... ... .......Tyeble $\mid$ John Withers... ... ... 5
Thomas J. Salter $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ William Short $\quad . .$.
Joseph Pigott ... ... ... 3 William Page... ...
Samuel Grove ... ..... .4 4 Robert Matthews... ...Tenor
Composed by Joserh Pigotr, and
Conducted by R. Matthews.
First peal in the method on the bells.
NEW MILLS, DERBYSHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Bowdon and Stockport Branch.)
On Monday, November 3. 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 134 cwt .

| Samuel Gladinin | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Treble | Harold Hibbert | .. | .. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Lowery | $\ldots$ | ... | 2 | John W. Hartley | .. | .. | 6 | Rev. A. T. Beeston … 3 William Walker... William Builer ... ... 4 Thomas Ramsey ... ...Tenor Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by Rev. A. T. Beeston.

Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. Churchwarden 'Warrington's daughter..

READING, BERIKS
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(freading Branch.)
On Monday, November 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 15 cwt.

| * Leonard Osborne ... ...Treble | Rev. Cyril W. O. Jenkyn 5 |
| :---: | :---: |
| *Miss Ethel Goodship ... 2 | * Frank Griffin |
| *Arthor Bailey... ... ... 3 | +William Dormer ... ... 7 |
| Ambrose Osborne ... ... 4 | Richard T. Hibbert ...Tenor |
| Composed by Hen Conducted by Ric | y H Hobbard, and ard T. Hibbert. |
| First peal of Major. $\dagger$ First |  |

YATELEY, HANTS
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, Novenber 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Holt's Ten-Part. Tenor is cwt.

| "Miss Beatrice Stilwell. Tyeble | Harold Tice ... | ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| †George Butler | ... | 5 | 2 |

Ames R. Bonch

| *Albert Hearmon ... | .. | 3 | Sydney Riddell | ... | .. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *William G. Bunch | $\ldots$. | 4 | "Cyril Bunch | ... | .. | Conducted by George Butler.

* First peal. † First peal as conductor. This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to the President of the Winchester Diocesan Guild, Mr. J. P. Stilwell, J.P., of Hilfield, Yateley, Hants.


## KELSALE, SUFFOLI.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, November 5, 1913, in T To Hours and Fifty-five Minutcs, At the Cherch of St, Peter,
A PEAL OF dOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES; Tenor I6 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Wililam Fleming ... ...Treble John W. Aviss... ... ... 5

Allen F. Bailey $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ F. Gordon Thompson $\quad . .$. | Ernest S. Bailey | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | Charles F. Bailey | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Wililam Drew... Composed by C. Charge, and

Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
Oथ WVednesday. November 5, 1913, in Three Honrs and Six Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. John, Waterloo Road, S.E.,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR; 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 20 cwt .
Ernest E. Grimes...
..Treble Frank Bennett
-Walter S. Inwood ... 2 Charles T. Coles..... .6
Bertram Prewett ... $\cdots$... 3 James F. Davis ......
J. Armiger Trollope ... 4 Alfred W. Grimes ...Tehor Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by Bertram Preweti.
*First peal in the method away from the treble.

## BUSHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (The Boshey Society.)
On Thursday, November 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutis, At the Chorch of St James,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

 Tenor I3 cwt.| William Seeley | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Tyeble | Francis A. Smith | .. | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Thomas R. Scott | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Frederick Edwards | .. |
|  | 6 |  |  |  |  |
| Richard Darlow | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Joseph J. Allen | $\ldots$ |
| .. | 7 |  |  |  |  | Bertram Prewett... Composed by Joserf WV. Parker, and Conducted by Bertran Prewett.

Rung as a farewell peal to Thomas R. Scott, who, to the regret of his Bushey friends, is leaving for Rudgwick, Sussex.

## BOLTON, LANCASHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Bolion Branch.)
On Tharsiay, Nonember 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Parish CHupce,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAMGE ;
Thurstans' Five-Part.
Peter Ince ... ... ... ...Treble
Herbert Allred ... ... 2 Peter Nottall ... ... ... 3 John Nuttall.

Roeert Allred ... ... 5
P.C. Peter Crook... ...

Willtam Pennington ... 7
John Sttbes ... ... ...Tenor
Conducted by P.C. Peter Crook.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Herbert Allred and Peter Nuttall.

## LONG STANTON, CAMBS

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, November 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor $7 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.


#### Abstract

- Rev. H. B. Woolley William D. James ... Frank E. Kempton... Waler Radley ..Treble ... 2 ... .. 3 †J. Bruce Williamson ... Composed and Conducted by Frederick Dench. * First peal of Major. $\dagger$ First peal with a bob bell. This peal was rung in honour of the wedding of Miss C. E. M. Boughey (daughter of the Rev. A. F. H. Boughey, President of the Cambridge University Guild), and Mr. A. P. Scott, which took place at Great St. Mary's Church, Cambridge, on the previous day.


## DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, November 6, 1913. in Tivo Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Alkmund,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Sir A. P. Heywood's Variation of Thurstans'. Tenor if cwt.
Edward C. Gobey
$\begin{array}{llll}\mathrm{y} & \ldots & \text {...Treble } \\ . & \ldots & . . & 2\end{array}$

 George Dawson $\begin{gathered}\ldots \\ \text { Conducted by Henry Letts. }\end{gathered}$

* First peal as conductor in any method.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND NORWICH SCHOLARS.
On Thursday, Novomber 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael at Coslany,
A PEAL OF OXfORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGEs; Tenor 14 cwt .
George H. Cross
...Treble
Cecil R. Chamberlin
Albert G. Warnes ...
Frederick J. Howchin Composed by J. Thorp, and Conducted by G. H. Cross
Rung after meeting short.for Double Norwich.

## WORCESTER

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION On Thursday, November 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor $18 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Ernest E. Barber... ...Treble
Thomas J. Salter ... ... 2 Weseph Brettell ... ... 5
Ernest Gibis ...... William Edgington ... 6
*George Hinton, Junt. ... 4 Robert G. Krowles $\quad$... Tenor Composed by J. Carter, and Conducted by W. Page.
*First peal of Bob Major. Rung in honour of the marriage of Mr. J. R. Newman (honorary secretary of the above Association), to Miss A. Jones.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, November 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCE8;
Arthur H. White John Capp Wililam Hillman Oliver Sippetts
...Treble

| $\ldots$ | 2 | A |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | 3 | W |
| $\ldots$ | 4 |  | $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Richard Stredwick } & \cdots & 5 \\ \text { Albert D. Stone } & \cdots & \cdots & 6 \\ \text { Willama C. Hart } & \cdots & \cdots & 7\end{array}$ Keith Hart ... ... ...Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton, and. Conducted by Keith Hart.

# HESTON, MIDDLESEX <br> THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Friday, Novenber 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Leonard, <br> A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES ; Tenor 13 复 cwt . <br> *Thomas J. Barker ... ...Tyeble Charles S. Bird ... ... 5 <br> Bertram Prewett ... ... 2 Walter S. Inwood ... 6 . <br>  <br> Henry H. Chandler ... 4 *Ernest R. Gladman ...Tenor Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Bertram Prewetr. 

*First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment ter C. S. Bird. It was the conductor's gooth peal.

PULFORD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. (Chester Branch.)
On Friday, November 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes At the Chorch of St. Mary the Virgin,
a PEAL OF LItTle bob major, 5000 Changes;
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. io lbs.

| William Morgan | $\ldots$ | .. Tyeble | George Jones ... | .. | $\ldots$ | 5 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Henry Woodfine | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | James Morgan ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 6 |
| Richard Jones... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Edward Alien... | $\ldots$ | .. | 7 | | Richard Jones ... | ... | .. | 3 | Edward Allen... | .. | .. | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Albert E. Richards | $\ldots$ | 4 | Henry W. Wilde | ... | $\ldots$ | Ienor |  | Composed and Conducted by Henry W. Wilde.

First peal in the method by all the band except the conductor First peal in the method as conductor, and first in the method on the bells.

NORTH WINGFIELD, DERBYSHIRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(Sheffield District Society.)
On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes. At the Chorch of St. Ladrence,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORHICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES: Tenor $16 \ddagger$ cwt.


MAYFIELD, SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Dunstan,
A PEAL of Stedman triples, 5040 changes;

## Thurstans' Four-Part.

George H. Howse ... ...Treble
Oliver Sippetts ... ... 2
Albert Harman ... ... 3
Arther R Miles .... 4eith Hart ... ... ... 7
... 4 *arthur Groombridge ...Tenor Conducted by Keith Hart.

* First peal in the method. First peal on the bells since the addition: of two trebles by Messrs. Taylor \& Co. Rung as the quarterly peal of the Eastern Division, six towers being represented.

COGGESHALL, ESSEX.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Three Flours and Fourteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter-ad-Vincula,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor ig a cwt.

Walter Sadler... ... ... 2 Ernest Newman ... ... 6 Andrew Shufflebotham 3 Ernest W. Beckwith ... 7
Frank Claydon ... ... ... 4 | David Elliott... ... ...Tenor
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and
Conducted by William Keeble.
W. Keeble and J. Sadler were elected members previous to starting.

MOTTRAM-IN-LONGDENDALE, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANCES।
Tenor 15 cwt. y qr. i6 lbs.

John Stopford ... ... ...Treble $|$|  | Tom Wilde | ... | .. | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Alfred Barnes ... .... ... 2 James Shaw .... ... ... 6 Arthor Havghton ... ... 3 Albert Hough ... ... 7 George D. Warburton ... 4 Samoel Booth... ... ...Tenor Composed by William Harrison, and Conducted by Albert Hough.

First peal in the method on the present peal of bells.

## CHESTER, CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minuies,
At the Chorch of St. Mary Without-the-Walls,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 GRANGES ;
Tenor 20 cwt .
Robert Sperring ... ...Treble | Henry W. Wilde ... ... 5 Ernest Smith ... ... ... 2 Charles Price ... ... 6 James Dillon ... ... ... 3 Ediwin Breeze... ... ... 7 Arthur Watkin

... Composed by Charles Price, and
Conducted by Robert Sperring.
Arranged for Messrs. Dillon and Breeze, of Port Sunlight ; and also as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

SOWERBY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR 5024 CHANGES;

 Tenor I5 cwt.Joe Hardcastle $\square$ ..Tyeble Jonas S. Ambler $\begin{array}{ccc}\ldots & \ldots & 5 \\ \ldots & \ldots & 6 \\ \ldots & \ldots & 7\end{array}$ Rev. C. C. Marshall ... 2 Ames Cotterell 5

6 | John Lawson... | ... | 3 | Joseph Broadley | ... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ernest A. Murgatroyd... | 4 | Fred Salmons ... | ... | ...$T e n o$ |  |  |

Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by James Cotterell
Rung as a compliment to Mr. James Smith, of Sowerby, on his attaining the age of 70 years and completing 50 years' service as a stationed ringer at Sowerby Church. After the peal, at a tea and social, he was presented with a marble timepiece as a mark of recognition from his fellow-ringers and members of the church.

## WALDRON, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Noiember 9, 1913, in Tro Hours and Fifty-fue Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 GHANGE8; Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in $G$.
Alfred J. Turner $\quad . . \quad$...Treble $\mid$ Oliver Sippetts $\quad .$. ... 5
George H. Howse ... ... 2 Edward W. Bray ... Albert Hardia
Robert J. Dawe $\qquad$
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Keith Hart.
First peal of Major on the bells.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

CHEDISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIUN.
(Halesworth Society.)
On Monday, October 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL UF BANOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Consisting of 720 of Canterbury Pleasure, and two 720 's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Plain 13ob. Tenor I4 $\frac{7}{2}$ cwt. William Pierce... ... ...Treble Artilur II. Took ... ... 4 Frederick C. Lambert ... 2 John Larter ... ... ... 5 James Spalding... $. . . \quad . . \quad 3$ Frederick W. Watling Tenor

Conducted by F. W. Watling.
Rung on the eve of the Festival of SS. Simon and Jude.

CODDINGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFOIRD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAREES:
Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor in cwt.
Charles Webley ... ...T Teble *Christopher Bowen ... 4 E. William Turner... ... 2 Andrew Layton ... ... 5 Charles Layton ... ... 3 George Jordon ... ...Tenor

* First peal with a bob bell. Rung on All Saints' Day.

WALTON, LIVERPOOL
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION,
AND THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tresday, November 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes, At the Parish Chusch,

## A "SILENT" PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London, Canterbury, Chester, Carlisle, Beverley, York and Cambridge. Tenor 9 cwt.
Thomas W. Gilmodr... ...Treble $\mid$ James Martin... ... ... 4 John Wilkinson ... ... ... 2 Herbert H. Barker ... 5 James W. Bell ... ... ... 3 | Henry Fyles... ... ...T Tenor Umpires: James Marsh (Ormskirk), and Thomas Morray (Liscard).

The peal was rung "silent" and non-conducted, and the umpires were quite satsified that the peal was perfectly true and rung in strict accordance with the rules. This is the first "silent" peal by all the band, the first rung in Liverpool, and the first by the Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

AI.DRINGTON, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, November 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGE ;
Being two 720's each of Woodbine and Kent called differently, and 720 each of Duke of York, New London Pleasure and Oxford. Tenor $10 \frac{7}{2}$ cwt.
William K. Sharpe... ...Tyeble Arthur H. White ... ... 4 Henry C. Gillam ..... $.2^{2}$ Frederick F. Trusler... 5 George A. Steele ... ... 3 James W. White ... ...Tenor Conducted by J. W. White
First peal as conductor. Rung on the eve of the Festival of St. Leonard

SKIRBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Eastern Branch.)
On Wednesday, November 5, 1913, in Three Howrs and Two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, 720 of Canterbury Pleasure, and two 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently.

Tenor iS cwt.
Johi Colman ... ... ...Treble ${ }^{\text {Charles Wh. Newton... } 4} 4$
Harold Palmer
Treble Charles WM. Newton...

| Harold Palmer | $\ldots$. | ... | 2 | Harry Palmer... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Arthur | ... | 5 |  |  |  |
| Swain | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | .. | 3 | James Kirk |

Conducted by Harry Palmer.

* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Kirk.

WRENTHAM. SUFFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, November 6, 1913, in Tato Hours and Foriy Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF SINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being three 720's of Canterbury Pleasure and four of Plain Bob each called differently. Tenor rol $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
George Bertram ... ...Treble .Ernest W. Hall ... ... 4 Albert J. Natuton ... ... 2 Albert J. L. Natuton 5 John Spescer Conducted by Francis W. Naunton.

- First peal in two methods.


## OMBERSLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Western Branch.)

 On Thursday, November 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Parish Church,A PEAL OF CRAHDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 20 cwt .

| Albert Atrins | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | Ernest C. Wood | $\ldots$ | . | 4 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Willam Pardoe | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Herbert Davis | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 |  |
| Sidney R. Duggan | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Sidney Miles | .. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Tenor |
|  | Conducted by A. Atrins. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

First peal by all the band and first peal on the bells. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. J. R. Newman (the esteemed secretary of the above Association), and Miss A. Jones.

## WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Friday, Novomber 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Ceurch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB Pinor, 5040 CHANGE\&;
Being three 720 's of Kent Treble Bob, and four $7^{20}$ 's of Oxford Treble Bob Minor, each called differently. Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
George Easthadgh ... ...Treble John Larter ... ... ... 4 James Spalding ... ... ... 2 *Walter Ayers ... ... 5 Frederick C. Lambert ... 3 | Frederick W. Watling Tenor Conducted by F. W. Watling.

* First peal of Treble Bob.


## ISHAM, NORTHANTS

the Central northamptonshire association. On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL GF BINOR, 6040 CHANCES ;
Comprising 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Court Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Double Court Bob, Woodbine Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor $9 \pm \mathrm{cwt}$.
 Frank H. Talblit ... ... 3 J. Edward Chapanan ... Tenor Conducted by J. E. Chapman.
This was the conductor's iooth peal, and contained the first extent of Cambridge on the bells.

NUTFIELD, SURREY
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
(Southern Branch.)
On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes, At the Church of SS. Feter and Pade,
A PEAL OF GOE BINOR, 5040 CHAHGES ;

 Conducted by F. Bashford,

* First peal,


## EMBERTON, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (North Bucks Branch.)
On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-fwo Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF treble bob mimor, 5040 chances ;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, London Scholars', College Exercise, Violet, Kent and Oxford.

Miss Dorothy D. Steele Treble $\mid$ Henry W. Gayton... ... 4 Ernest G. Mymard..... $.128 |$| Frederick J. Mysard | 2 |
| :--- | :--- | Charles W. Clarke ... 3 Edwin S. Myward ... ...Tenor Conducted by F. J. Mynard.

Miss Steele was elected a member of the Guild before starting for the peal.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Thyee Hours and One Minute, At the Church of St. Mighael,
A PEAL OF RIMOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 of Canterbury Pleasure and two $Z^{20}$ 's each of Plain Bob. Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.


First peal by all in four methods. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor's wife.

## HANLEY CASTLE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Southern Branch.)
On Saturiay, November \&, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Cherch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GOB hinor, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720 's called differently.
*John Godfrey … ... ...Treble |'Sidney Annis ... ... ... 4
 Conducted by orn Dolphin.

* First peal of Minor. † First peal of Minor as conductor. All the ringers belong to the Pershore band.


## BELTON, RUTLAND

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (Belton St. Peter's Guild.),
On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF Eitidor, 5040 GHANGES;
Being 720 each of St Clements, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Double Court and Single Court.

Tenor io cwt. 0 qr. 24 lbs., in G.
*J. Henry Churchill ...Treble |†Thomas H. Atkins... ... 4
J. James Jackson ... $\ldots . .28$ Ernest Morris $\quad . .$.
†Charles E. Reeve... ... 3 Alban Jarman ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Ernest Morris.

* First peal. † First peal in seven methods. Rung as a welcome home to Mr. and Mrs. Gough, of Belton House. Quickest peal yet ruag on the bells. The conductor hails from St. Margaret's, Leicester.


## HANDEELL PEAL.

## LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Nowembir 9, 1913, in Twio Hours and Twenty Minutes,
At 3, Hart's Lane, New Croses

## A PEAL OF STED湯AK TRIPLES, 5040 Changes;

 Thurstans Four-Part.- Miss Elsie L. Bennett I-2 ${ }^{-}$Frayk I. Hairs ... ... 5-6 Arthor Shepherd ... 3-4 - Frank Bennett ... ... 7 - 8 Couducted by Frank Bennett. Witnesses: Mrs. Bennett and H. Thornley.
*First peal of Stedman Triples in hand.
The peal rung at Bolsover on Nov. Ist was published last week without the method. It was 5056 Double Norwich Court Bob Major.
The ringer of the 3rd in the peal of Double Norwich at St. Mary's, Eastbourne, on October 27 th, was Charles Edwards, not Charles Inwood.


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## THREE SOUTH WALES PEALS RESTORED.

 CALDICOT.Saturday week was a great day in the annals of the Parish Church. Caldioot, Monmouthshire, for the bells, which have just been rehung and retuned, were then rededicated by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, the church being crowded for the occasion. A large number of sur pliced clergy from the neighbouring parishes were present. Evensong was sung by the Vicar, and after the hymn, "Praiso the Lord, ye heavens adore Him," the formal dedication took place. A special hymn followed, and the Bishop then delivered a most impressive address. During the offertory, the hymn, "For all the Saints who from their labours rest," was sung, and the Benediction, pronounced by the Bishop, brought to a close a beautiful and memorable service. The offertory, which amounted to $£ 610$ s., was for the restoration fund.
The opening ringing consisted of a few rounds by the local band, and this was followed by tonches in the Standard methods, rung by visitors from all over the Diocese, under the direction of Mr. J. W. Jones, the hon. secretary of the Llandaff Diocesan Association.
Tea was served in the Schoolroom to all the ringers, and, as the Bishop entered, a hearty welcome was accorded him. He was pleased, he said, to ses so many ringers present, and urged them to carry out their duties in a manner worthy of church workers.

As regards the nature of the work done, it consisted of retuning the whole of the bells, rehanging in a new steel and iron frame, with new fittings throughout. It has been exccuted by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, and the firm deserves the highest praise for the way in which the contract has been carried out. The tenor, which is a Pre-Reformation bell, weighs 13 cwt. 0 qrs. 6 lbs:

## PONTYPRIDD.

Chesday of last week was a red-leiter day in the annals of Church life in Poniypridd, and a day also full of interest, too, and long to be remembered by the entire community attached to the Church of England or otherwise
The donor to St. Katharine's Parieh Church of the beautiful ring of eight bells was Mr. Hopkin Morgan, a worthy Noncouformist citizen. The gift was in memory of his parents, and came unspoilt by petty denominationalism, and extended beyond vexatious parochial limitations.
The special dedication service was conducted by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, in the presente of a crowded congregation, which included Mr. and Mrs. Norgan. The Bishop's pastoral staff was carried by the Rer: Connop L. Price, the Rector of Caerphilly, and joint hon. secretary of the Llandaff Association, and his lordship was also accompanied by the Vicar (the Rev. T. P. Griffiths, M.A.), and other clergy. The Rev. T. C. Phillipg intoned the service, and the lessons were read by the Vicar and the Rev. C. E. M. Williams-Miller. After the dedicatory prayers, the Bishop occupied the pulpit, and gave a most impressive address.
At the conclusion of the servioe, the bells struck out merrily, and were kept going by members of the Llandaff Diocesan Association, under the leadership of the hon secretary, Mr. J. W. Jones. Various touches in the Standard methods were rung, Mr. J. W. Taylor, the founder, taking part.
Tea, partaken of at a local restaurant, had been very kindly prorided br the Vicar and churchwardens. Afterwards, a return was made to the tower, and the bells kept going for the remainder of the evening. The greatest possible credit is due to Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, for the manner in which the work has been carried out, the " go " and tone being alike exoellent. The weight of the tenor is 12 crt. 2 qrs. 21 lbs., and is inscribed in Welsh as follows:-

Gogoniant i ddww (Glory to God), Ac Er Cof Am Thomas a Margaret Morgan, o'r dref hon Rheddwyd y clychau Lyn Gan Hopkin Morgan, Y.S.W., Bronwydd, Pontypridd, 1913.', The other bells are also suitably inscribed.

## PETERSTONE

At Peterstone, Mon., on Friday, the dedication took place of the restored ring of bells, which have been silent, so far as actual ringing is concerned, for about a hundred years. The dedication was performed by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, and the service was impressire, the keynote being one of thanksgiving. A special form of service was used, and was intoned by the Vicar, the choir being augmented by choristers from Marshfield Church.
During the singing of a hymn, the Bishop. together with the clergy and churchmardens, proceeded to the tower, where the dedication was performed. The Marshfield ringers, with the assistance of Mr. J. W. Jones, hon. secretary of the Llandaff Association, then rang the bells in rounds, whilst the Bishop and clergy returned to the chancel. The congragation then sang beautiful hymns, specially composed for the occasion by the Vicar. The bells long silent now are sounding. At the conclusion, the Bishop gave a brief address upon the use and purpose of church bella
The original six bells were placed in the tower in 1722, Mr. Nathan Chapman being the donor. Mr. Henry Radeliffe, J.l'., of Drindstone, generously promised to make himsclf responsible for the recasting, rehanging and retuning of the bolls, and whilst these negotiations were taking place, the hon. secretary of Llandaff Diocesan Association (Mr. J. W. Jonos) approached the Vicar, and appealed to him to make an
effort to complete the octave. The Vicar, in turn, approached Mess:s. George and Francis Stubbs, descendants of the original donor of the bells, with the recult that they promised to add two trebles as a mamorial to their late father. The ring is now one of eight bells, and only two of the original six remains, namely, the 6th and tenor, the others have all been recast. The work has been carried out by Messrs. Warner and Sons, London. The frame is of iron, of the very latest improved type, with iron headstccks and all the necessary fittings of the very lalest pattern. The bells are tuned on the Canon Simpsen's five-tone principle, and are a beautifully sweet-tonad lot, reflecting the very highest credit on the founders.

At the conclusion of the service, the bells struck aut joyously, ant were kept going to the tune of Grandsire Triples at intervals for the whole of the evening.

## THE LLANDAFF ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting was held at Peterstone, Mon., on Saturday. and the great number who attended would have done credit to arn annual mecting. Representatives from practically all the towers in the Diocese were present, no doubi, attracted by the fact that the new ring of cight bells were to be rung for the first time. Some of the visitors went first to Marshfield Church, but by 5 o'clock all had met at Petersto.e. where the Vicar (the Rev. IT. G. Stanley) heartily welcomed the ringers.- At the business meeting, the Vicar acted as chair-man.-Arsing out of the minutes were a few items which were discussed and dealt with.-Mr. Atwell gave notice that he would at the annalal mecting bring forward a motion dealing with life membership. --New members were elected, and the place for the next meeting discussed, but it was decided to leave settlement of this matter until the annual meeting, which is to be held at All Saints', Newport, on Boxing Day.

On the suggestion of the Hon. Secretary, it was resolved that a record be placed in the minutes of the Association, that the best possible thanks of the Association be accorded the Rev. H. G. Stanley, Vicar of Marshfield with Peterstone, for his euccessful efforts in bringing about the restoration of both Marshfield and Peterstone bells, each of which has now a complete ring of eight bells. When the rev. gentleman came to Marshfield both rings were then of six bells each, and were in a deplorable condition-in fact, neither of them were supposed to have been rung for at least a hundred years. Not only were the bells in such a sad condition, but both fabrics as well. Now. happily, things are very different, both churches having been restored inside and out, and the two old rings of sis thoroughly restored, and the octave completed in each case. It must be remembered, too, that this is not a thickly populated industrial centre, but a purely agricultural district, which made the success of the Vicar's efforts all the more remarkable
The Vicar, replying, gaid it gave him the greatest possible pleasure to welcome the members of the Association to his parish, and he thanked them for the kind things said of him concerning the restoration of the bells. He also said that he would be most pleased to grant the use of either ring for a peal at any time, but he would like all who took part to be members of the Association, and not "black legs," by which he meant, of course, non-association ringers.
The opportunity is now taken of giving the Vicar the best thanks for providing such an excellent tea to all who were present.

The bells were afterwards kept going in the Siandard methods, and the ringers were struck with the rery last additional sweet-toned ring of eight bolls now at the disposal or use of the Association.

## BERTRAM PREWETT'S 900 PEALS.

on Tower Bells. On Hand Bells. Rung Con- Rung. Con-

Cambridge Surprise Maximis Kent Treble Bob Maximus Stedman Cinques
New Cambridge Surprise Royal Cambridge Surprise Royal Kent Treble Bob Royal Stedman Caters $\begin{array}{r}3 \\ 5 \\ 48 \\ 3 \\ 14 \\ 13 \\ 121^{*} \\ 1 \\ 55 \\ 62 \\ 11 \\ 10 \\ 160 \\ 1 \\ 35 \\ 36 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 243 \\ 9 \\ \hline 843\end{array}$
Bristol Surprise Major London Surprise Major New Cambridge Surprise Major Cambridge Surprise Major Superlative Surprise Major Norfolk Surprise Major Double Norwich Court Bob Major Kent Treble Bob Major
Oxford Treble Bob Major Bob Major
Stedman Triples
Grandsire Triples $\begin{array}{rrrr}1 & & \\ 2 & 16_{\ddagger}^{\ddagger} & \\ 3 & & \\ 1 & & \\ 14 & 29 & \\ 14 & & \\ 5 & & \\ 5 & & \\ 41 & & \\ 12 & & \\ 25 & & \\ 3 & & \\ 2 & & \\ 85 & 12 & 5 \\ 1 & - & - \\ 214 & 57 & - \\ - & - & -\end{array}$

* Including 18,027 (rec $\sim$ rd): † including $15,26 \ddagger$ (record); $\ddagger$ including 6063 (record). Rung in 234 towers in 37 counties.


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Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the College Youths．
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association．
Cambridge Surprise Maximus by the College Youths．
Stedman Cinques by the St．Martin＇s Guild，Birming－ ham，on May 11th 1912.
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## SHOREDITCH BELLS OPENED.

LARGE GATHERING OF RINGERS.

After an impressive dedication service on the preceding Monday, the opening of Shoreditch bells took place on Saturday last, some 300 ringers, many from distant parts of the country, visiting the famous church and sharing in the interesting event. As was mentioned in our last issue, the work, carried out by Messrs. Warner and Sons, has heen the rcasting of the four trebles, the tuning of the whole peal on Canon Simpson's five-tone principle, and the rehanging of the bells, with new and modern fittings,


St Leonard's, Shoreditch, London.
in a frame of unique design. This france is based upon the m:st approved principles of consfructional engineering, and rising to a height of 15 feet, contains the bells in two ticrs, the 2nd, 3 rd, sth, 6th and roth being on the top. It is constructed on shiplouilding lines, and more than one capable critic agreed that it ought to be called a " Dreadnought" frame. The bearing of the bells are Warner's patent self-aligning bearings, and those who tried the bells were perfectly satisfied with their "go," while there can be no two opinions as to the great improvement
effected by the retuning, and the splice is eminently satisfactory. The tenor is $28 \frac{1}{2}$ cwts. in C. The opening of the bells actually took place before the work was completed, and as the results pleased the competent critics, Messrs. Warner \& Sons are certainly to be congratulated.

The opening touch on the bells was 250 Stedman Cinques, rung by the Cumberland Youths, the band being Henry Dains I, Benjamin Foskett 2, Miss E. K. Parker 3, J. D. Matthews 4, A. Hardy 5, F. Hairs 6, F. Bennett (conductor) 7, E. Barnett 8, G. Card 9, J. Hunt 10, J. Parker In, H. Flanders 12. Afterwards touches, rung by mixed companies, were called by Messrs. T. Faulkner (Master of the College Youths), J. E. Groves (Birmingham) and W. A. Cave (Bristol).

A four o'clock service was held, at which, it is computed, a thousand persons attended. The special Psalms were the 149th and 150th, and appropriate prayers were offered. The preacher was the Rev. G. F. Ooleridge, whose text was: "I am doing a good work," Nehemiah vi, 3. The work of Nehemiah was a work, he said, of effort and endeavour, and effort and endeavour had also characterised the life of St. Leonard, to whom Shoreditch Church was dedicated. The life of a Christian should also be one of effort and endeavour, and effort and endeavour was the main thought which was theirs that day. Effort and endeavari lhad been responsible for much restoration in their old churches, and were always to be seen in building up that which was new. Effort and endeavour showed, what had been accomplished that day, when the ringing world at large was rejoicing in the restoration of an historic peal of bells in the old tower of an historic church. With lapse of years decay must come to the framework of bells, even as it comes to the framework of the human body. Modern Nehemiahs, in opite of much parochial porerty, and in spite of many hindrances, had put their hand to the work determined not to desist till the work was finished and paid for. Effort and endeavour had accompanied desire, and the work was pushed. For long years the bells flung their melody far and wide, preaching to those who never heard the voice of a living preacher, warning the sinner, cheering the Saint, calling to worship, and marking Fast and Festival, days of rejoicing and days of sorrow. Then, when age had laid its heavy hand upon them, when decay had set in, they said in effect, "We cannot come down. Lay the restoring hand upon us and we will fulfil our duty midway 'twixt t.he earth and sky." The people had responded to the call of the bells, and their restored peal were now given back to the service of the Most High.

Tea followed the service in the Parish Hall, over 250 sitting down. Atterwards, the Vicar (the Rev. Edward Birch) explained that about $£ 80$ was needed to pay for the work that had been carried out, but they hoped to raise a cum of $£ 150$, so that they might put in an extra bell to make a light octave, and to supply a chiming apparatus. He added that the bells had rung most joyously that day, but they would ring more gloriously still when all the money had been rajsed. He thanked Messrs. Warner and Sons for the way they had carried out the work.-Mr. Robert Warner responded, and Mr. Merbert Bradley and Mr. J. Parker (Master of the Cumberland Youths) also spoke.
In the evening the bells were again rung.
The windows of the bell chamber are to be filled with armoured glass to deaden the sound in the street, and this, when completed, will doubtless effect a great improvement outside.

During the morning a number of visitors inspected Messrs. Wrarner's establishment, where they viewed with keen interest the up-to-date machinery employed in a modern boll foundry.
On Sunday, for morning service, 531 Stedman Cinques was rung by : A. N. Hardy 1, J. Thomas 2, B. Foskett 3, F. G. White 4, H. Burton 5, G. Lucas 6, F. Bennett (conductor) 7, J. Parker 8, J. Hunt 9, A. IT. Grimes 10, H. Flanders 11, T. Powell 12. A touch of 262 was also rung.
For our photo of the beautiful tomer of St. Leonard's, we are indebted to Mr. F. C. Dawe.

## THE HISTORY OF THE BELLS.

Last week, we were able to publish the inscriptions on the pal of bells as they now hang in the tower, and Mr. J. R. Jerram has now very kindly supplied us with some further particulars with regard to their history. In 1708. he writes. there were only five bells in the steeple. These were sold in 1739 for £219, with which sum, aided by subscriptions, a peal of eight was pruchased from Thomas Lester, of the Whitechapel Foundry, the total cost being $£ 800$. The peal was augmented to ten in 1765 by Lester and Pack, and early in the last contury to twelve, the two treble being given by the Cumberland Socicty. Thomas Mears, junr., recast the tenor in 1820, and this bell was once more recast in 1875 . No more important alterations seem to have taken place since that work was performed, until the restoration now carried out by Messrs. Warner and Sons. Mr. Jerram points out that the date given on the new second bell (1807) as that of the gift of the two trebles by the Chmberland Youths does not tally with the
date on the old trebles (1823). Possibly, for some reason or other, he adds, the original bells may have been unsatisfactory, and were recast in the latter year, and he inquires if some local authority is able to explain this.

We have in previous issues referred to the historic ringing events which have taken place in Shoreditch tower, and some of the old records in the belfry are worth reproducing. We are indebted to Mr. J. R. Jorram for the information.

Wedneeday, March 28th, 1750, the SOCIETY of CUMBERLAND YOUTHS rung in this Steeple a true Peal of 5040 changes of NEW DOÜBLis TRIPPLES, it being the only Peal that was ever compleated in that method, and was performed in three hours and half by ye following persons, viz.


COLLEGE YOUTHS.-This tablet was erected by the Society to commemorate an excellent Peal rung in this Steeple on the 18th of February, 1777, consisting of Ten thousand changes of OXFORD TREBLE BOB, Ten in, and was compleated in seven hours twentyeight minutes. The curious composition, the great length of time, and the masterly manner in which it was rung, very justly entitled it the most excellent performance ever achieved from the first invention of the ingenious art of ringing to the present time.


## Conducted by Mr. C. Purser

Insatiated with glory the above select performers on the 19th of May, 1777, rung a compleat Peal of 11,080 changes in the above method, time 8 hrs .8 mts ., which will be transmitted to posterity as a masterpiece of the art.

THE SOCTETY of GUMBERLAND YOUTES.-On Saturday, 10th May, 1777, this Society rang a peal of 10,200 changes of TREBLE BOB ROYAL in 7 hours 40 minutes.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Thos. Whitaker ................. } & 1 \\ \text { George Gross } & \text { Francis Wood } \\ \text { Jas. Barnard }\end{array}$
George Gross
John Lamey
Isaiah Bray.
Isaiah Bray ...
Jis. Barnard
Thos. Smith
Saml. Wood
Robt. Mann

## Composed and conducted by Mr. G. Gross

The above two tablets show the rivalry which at the time existed between the College Youths and the Cumberlands to ring the longest length of Treble Bob. The former were victorious for a time: but saven years later another tablet records:-
SOCIETY of CUMBERLAND YOUTHS-On Saturday, March 27th, 1784, this company rang a peal of 12,000 changes, TREBLE BOB ROYAL, in 9 hrs. 5 mine., being the first peal of that length. Performers were:-
George Gross
James Barnard
Francis Nay
Thomas Reeves $\qquad$ James Patrick
Wm. Court
Abraham Smith
Isainh Bray
Malacini Channon
Allen: Grant

> 6 7

Composed and conducted by George Gross.
CUNRERLAND YOUTHS.-This insoription will add to posterity the record of a Peal that was rung in this Steeple on Truesday, 7th April, 1801, of 5220 changes of COURT BOB ROYAL, in 3 hours and 37 minutes, being the first that was ever rung by any Society in that method.
George Gross, senr.
treble John Hints George Gross, junr.

2nd James Mash
William Shipway
3 rd
John Holdsworth
4th
5th

> Malachit Channon
$6+11$
Samuel Bowling
Willm. Stephens

## Composed and called by Mr. George Gross.

CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-On Tuesday, 26th February, 1805. The above Society rung in this Steeple a true and complete peal consisting of 6129 changes of STEDAAN'S CATERS, being the most ever rung in that intricate method, in 4 hours and 12 minutes. The performers were:-
G. Gross
Shipway
Treble
SI. Bowling
W. Bland
Js. Stichbury $\qquad$ P. Jones
W. Richardson
Jno. Hints
Anthony Cavalie.
P. Pilgrim

The above was composed and called by Mr. G. Gross.

## ODD CHANGES.

The inquiry as to what tower could go one better tham Irthlingborough, where 160 peals have been rung in 20 years, has come from exactly the quarter we expected it. Mr. H. H. Chandler, now of Hillingdon, writes: "Will. you please allow me space to congratulate the Irthlingborough band on their record of 160 peals on the 2oth: anniversary of the opening of the bells. As to the inquiry whether there has been a tower in which more peals have been rung in the time, I may say, that two trebles were added to the old six at Warnham, Sussex, to make up a peal of eight, in 1886 . By 1896 there had been rung. on the bells 200 peals, most of them conducted by myself, and including ${ }^{13}, 440$ Canterbury Pleasure Major, $10,17^{6}$ Treble Bob and two $6_{7} 20^{\prime}$ 's in one day. We used to think nothing of starting for a peal every evening all the weekand two on Sundays. This has been done a good many times."
The following extract from the "Nottingham Weekly Express" will be particularly interesting to members of the Midland Counties Association, who will remember theclosing of All Saints' tower a few months before the las annual meeting held at Nottingham :-

On Saturday last, it being All Saints' Day, permission was obtained' to again ring the bells, after being idle, excepting so far as the chiming apparatus is concerned, for nearly two years. There being no complaints proves that this is a step in the right direction, and we look forward more hopefully to the time when the un-English method of using the bells will be supplanted by the old way so dear to all lingers. The bells went surprisingly well in the circumstances, and speaks volumes for the work Mr. Woolley must have put in in preparation for the event. About 1,000 Grandsire Triples were rung by Miss M. Woolley 1, J. Woolley 2, A. Barratt 3, G. H. Parlett 4, L. Chadburn 5, A. Coppock 6, W. Ayre 7, W. Flinders 8, the conducting being shared by Messrs. Coppock and Ayre.

It is gratifying to know that sane counsels have prevailed, and that the tower is once more open to ringing.

Mr. Ernest E. Grimes, younger brother of Alfred W. of peal ringing fame, has himself done something by way of making what we should think is almost a record. On Wednesday of last week, he rang the treble to a peal of Bristol Surprise. That was his izth peal, and he has never yet stood in an unsuccessful attempt. Fancy a man ringing his first twelve peals without knowing what it is to lose one!

Yet another lady has joined the ranks of peal ringers, the youngest daughter of the president of the Winchester Diocesan Guild, who has always been a great supporter of the Art, having scored her first. This young lady, we hear, has not only mastered Grandsire, in which method she rang the peal, but is actually pushing the local band on to Stedman with no small amount of success, and attending practices and services with a punctuality that many might well copy.

A record has just been made in the Llandaff Diocese, no less than three dedication services having taken place within a week. In each case it has been a ring of eight bells. The work has been done by different founders, and we hear that each has given the utmost satisfaction. Two men at least have taken part in all the functions, namely, the Bishop and the honorary secretary of the association.

## THE OXFORD GUILD.

A meeting of the Sonning branch for combined practice was held at Binfeld on Saturday last, 13 members representing IIurst, Sandhurst, Fasthampstead, Wokingham (All Saints'), White Waltham and Binfield being present. The methods practised were: Plain Bob, Kent, Oxford, Woodbine, Double Court, Cambridge and Stedman Doubles.

## Chelmsford Cathedral.



The new ring of 12 bells (Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs.) for Chelmsford Cathedral was: dedicated by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans on Saturday, September 27th, 1913.

## MESSRS. JOHN WARNER \& SONS, Ltd., of the Spitalfields Bell Foundry, London, have in hand

 the restoration of the following rings of 12 bells:YORK MINSTER (Tenor 50ㄴㄹㄹ cwt.)
ST. LEONARD'S CHURCH, SHOREDITCH (Tenor $28 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.)

## THE COLLEGE YOUTHS' DINNER.

## A RECORD GATHERING.

There was a record gathering at the 276th anniversary dinner of the Ancient Society of College Youthe held at the Londoa Tavern on Saturday evening. Quite an interesting feature of the proceedings was the presence of a large number of ringers from distant parts of the country. They came from places as far apart as York and Exeter, as Essex and Bristol, and it is seldom that so many ringers assemble at one time round the festive board. The company numbered altogether about 180. The Master (Mr. Thomas Faulkner, of Barking) presided, and was supported by Miss McAlpine Leny, the Archdeacon of London, the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, R.D., the Rev. D. Mackimnon, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master of the Oxford Guild), the Rev. J. H. Ellison (Rector of Cornhill), the Rev. R. Peak (Rector of S't. Magnus), Mr. J. W. Taylor and Mr. E. Denison Taylor (Loughborough), Mr. W. P. Routh (Reading), Mr. E. A. Young (London County Association). Mr. Cyril F. Jolinston (hon. secretary Surrey Association), and Mr. W. T. Cockerill (hon. secretary). Mr. E. A. Davies (Barking) was in the vice-chair, and the large number of London ringers present included Messrs. Arthur Hughes (treasurer of the society), Challis F. Winney and Walter Prime (trustees), E. G. Fenn and A. A. Hughes (stewards), J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, G. R. Fardon, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, E. Horrex, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, E. P. O'Meara, A. B. Peck, G. N. Price, J. W. Rowbothan, W. D. Smith (members of the Dinner Committee), H. S. Ellis, E. Gibbs; A. W. Grimes, J. E. Davis, J. H. B. Hesse, C. T. Coles (hon. sec. of Middlesex Association), D. Christy (represeuting Messrs. Warner and Sons), etc. Among the company also were the Rev. J. W. Eisdell (Vicar of Barking), and many provincial ringers. Sheffield sent quite a strong contingent in Messrs. S. Thomas, W. Burgar, G. Holmes, J. Evinson (hon. secretary of the St. Peter's Society), J. Thorpe, S. F. Palmer and L. Charlesworth. Birmingham was represented by Messrs. J. E. Groves (ringing master), A. P. Smith (hon. asc. St. Martin's Guild), A. E. Walker, P. Laflin and S. Grove. Messre. W. A. Cave and R. J. Wilkins were there from Bristol, Messrs. A. C. Fernley and G. Horner were present from York, Mr. Edwin Shepherd from Exeter, Mr. C. Tyas from Burnsley, Mr. J. Bowen from Ilfraoombe, Messrs. C. Dean, H. L. Garfath, W. Wise and T. Colbourne from Croydon, A. H. Pulling and C. Hazelden from Guildford, T. Hibbert from Reading, W. H. Lawrence from Liitle Munden, J. Shepherd from Swindon, W. J. Nevard from Great Bentley, J. Evans from Wyoombe, J. Tiuss from Marlow. And even this list might be extended. It is enough, however, to show the representative nature of the gathering which enjoyed a splendid repast, served in the magnificent dining hall of the famous city hostelry.

## RESPONSIBIITTIES OF RINGERS AND THE CHURCH.

The loyal toast was afterwards submitted from the chair, and enthusiastically honoured, and the Master then proposed "x The Church." Hitherto, he said, the toast had been "The Church and State." Why the Dinner Gommittee had left out "The State" on this occasion he did not know, but he thought they might draw their own inference. As ringers, he contended, they had great responsibilities towards the Church. When he became a ringer one of the first things he was taught was to be a churchman first and a ringer after, and all the while they had that ideal before them they would not' fail in their responsibilitics to the Church. One of their first responsibilities was to remomber the purposes for which the bells were lung in the churches, and ringers had to remember that their first duty was to see that they were rung regularly, punctually and well for Divine service. They could not ring well for Divine service unless they had practice, and it was just as much a part of their duty to be regular and punctual in their practices, to keep themselves up to the mark, and to help others who were not so proficient as themselves. Then there was peal
ringing, which, in moderation, was a good thing, for it kept alive ambition, and made better ringers of them. He did not intend to say anything about cups, or competitions, or analysis-he had an utter loathing and contempf for all three of them; and, to his mind, the sooner they were dead ard buried the better it would be for their sacred calling. Another duty which they owed to the Church was to reproach on the Church. They must help and defend her against the attacks of her enemies, such as the attack on her at the present time in the Welsh Disestablishment Bill (applause). But if they, as ringers, had responsibilities towards the Church, surely the Church had responsibilities towards ringers (hear, hear). One of those responsibilities was to see that the belfries, which were a part of God's House, were kep: as clean and sweet and decent as the chancel, and to see that the bells were in proper order, and were properly rung (hear, bear). He was afraid that the clergy sometimes did not fully recognise that responsibility. Much had been clone, mainly through the efforts of the ringers themselves, but there was a good deal more
to do (hear, hear). Continuing, the Master said they as ringera wished the Church all prosperity. They hoped that she would continue a power for the good of wamanity and for the good of the nation, and that she might ever keep before them the life and example of their

## PITCH INTO THE ARCHDEACON.

The Archdeacon of London, who responded, had a very cordial reception, and expressed his pleasure at being again present. He congratulated Miss Leny upon celebrating her "silver wedding " with the College Youths, for that was the 25th occasion ehe had been present at their anmual dinner (applause). Continuing, he said, when the Master was talking about belfries and bells not being always kept in the best order, an unoomfortable thought came across him, for by the law of the land it was the Archdeacon who was responsible-for all the bells (laughter). All he could say, therefore, was that, if they got a oase where the belfry and bells were in such a condition as the Master very rightly brought to their notice, his advice to them was-outside of London, of course-" pitch into the Archdeacon " (laughter). It was, he added, very jolly to be with them that night, for a gathering like that emphasised the splendid feeling of brotherhood that existed between them all (applause)
The Rev. G. F. Coleridge proposed the toast of "The Ancient Society of College Youths." As is usual in his after dinner speeches, the Rector of Crowthome was in anecdotal mood, and his stories, always with some apt point in them, provoked great laughter. Mr. Coleridge said he brought to the College Youths the good wishes of the ringers of the country, and there was no ringer in England who did not wish the society prosperity. The society had gone on for centuries, and he hoped it would go on for hundreds of years to come (applause).

Mr. W. T. Cockerill replied, and said that apologies had been received from the Bishop of Barking, Sir Arthur Heywood, Archdeacon Taylor, of Southwark; thß Rev. G. C. Wilton (Stepney), the Rev. J. H. B. Masterman (Bow), the Rev. C. S. Woodward (who had been inducted Rector of Southwark that day), Mr. C. H. Hattersley and Mr. R. A. Daniell. The two last-named, said the Hon. Secretary, were kept away by ill-health. During the last year, Mr. Cockerill procecded, they had lost one of their members by death, Mr. J. E. Coomb, who died on May 25th. He was for many years a regular attendant at St. Clement Danes, and latterly rang with the society at St. Michael's. Strange to say, he only rang one peal in his life, but he rang it in very good company. Mr. Cooter and Mr. Wood wero both in the peal, but although they rang many afterwards, Mr. Coomb did not ring another. They also had to deplore the death of Dr. A. B. Carpenter, whose sterling work in connection with composition they all remembered. During the year, 24 new members had been made, many of these had attended the meetings and practices pretty regularly. These practices numbered 62, chieffy at the city churches. The poals rung during the year numbered 27, viz., Bob Major, 1; Treble Bob Minor, seven 720's, 2; Treble Bob Najor, 1; Treble Bob Royal. 3; Stedman Triples, 8 (three having been on handbells); Stedman Caters, 4 ; Stedman Cinques, 6 (one at Cornhill, having been nonconducted) ; Cambridge Major, 1; Cambridge Maximus, 1. He also wished to add his congratulations to Miss Leny on her 25 years' membership of the College Youths, and ho wished to congratulate the Rer. Donald Mackinnon on his 65th birthday, which he had attained that day (applause).

## PROVINCTAL SOCIETIES.

The Vice-Chairman gave the toast of "London and Provincial Ringing Societies." He congratulated the Royal Cumberland Youths that they had at last seen the completion of the work they had been most earnestly engaged in for some years-the restoration of the peal of twelve at Shoreditch (applause). He had on more than one occasion celled attention to the state of some of the rings of bells in the City of I-ondon, but now, as far as he knew, all the peals of twelve in the city were in good ringing order, with the exception of St.
Bride's. There were, however, still onme belfries in London which needed the attention of the authorities, and there was no excuse why their London belfries should not be in as good a condition as the other parts of the churches. Referring to the Provincial Societies, Mr. Dawies said that they of the county of Essex had great reason to congratulate themselves that there had been opened, at what would
presently be the Cathedral of the Diocese at Chelmsford, a new peal of twelve bells, and he congratulated the Master of tho College Youtlis unon the successful way in which he discharged the unthankful task of selecting the band to ring the opening touch on the bells. He wished, he saif, that there were many more societies in the country like theirs at Barking, and he referred with pride to the fact that that evening to support the Master, they had present from Barking the Vicar, his brother churchwarden, the organist and sidesmen, and their ringers, both those who were accompliehed and those who were but novices (applause).
Mr. F. A. Young replied for the London Societies, and the Rev. Cyril Jenkyn for the Provincial Associations. The latter said he hoped on that occasion they would think of those members of the College couths scattered abroad in various parts of the country doing their good work in the villages and towns, and who would gladly be with them but were prevented, and were so provented year after year.
If they did not drink their heallh openly they might do so in silence (hear, hear). From his experience in going about among the Provincial Ringing Societies, he thonght he might report that they were in good order and endeavouring to do that good work about which oome of them had heard that afternoon at: Shoreditch. It was certainly very hard when they preached and taught tha! the belfry should be kept in the same atate as the church to find instances of belfries and
bells in a fllthy condition. Mr. Jenkyn went on to speak of the need of carrying on educational work concerning bells and ringing among the British public, so that they might teacin them quietly something more about it lingers must bear in mind, he added. that they were not only church workers, but that in having in their hands the care of these historic peals of bells throughout the country they were really trustees of a great and noble heritage (applause).
Mr. Arthur Hughes submitted "The Visitors," to which toast the Rev. J. W. Eisdell (Vicar of Barking) responded.

A most enjoyable feature of the musical programme was the handbell sclections by the Sheffield Parish Church Handbell Band, who, with several octaves of bells, contributed some admirably rendered pieces. including " Ring the bell, Watchman," and "Blue Bells of Scotland," with variations. On each occasion they were deservedly encored. The performers were Mesers. G. Holmes (conductor), S. F. Palmer, W. Burgar, J. Evinson, J. Thorpe and L. Charlesworth. A course of Stedman Caters was rung " in hand " by a band of College Youths; Mr. Cyril Johnston sang some humorous songe, for which he was encored; Mr. S. Blackmore gave a fine rendering of "Thora," and Mr. G. R. Boorer contributed two recitations, each of which was a splendid clocutionary effort.

## OIFICERS RTA-ELECTFD

At the annual meeting of the Society, on Tuesday, Mr. Thomas Faulkner was re-clected Master. Mr. Arthur Hughes (treasurer), Messrs. O. F. Winney, and W. Prime (turustees), and Mr. W. T. appointed senior steward, and Mr. J. C. Adams was elected junior appointed
steward.

THE "WORCESTER'S" HUSTLE.
The first peal ringing on the bells of the litile village of Rock, in Worcestershire, where Messrs. Taylor and Co. have just added two 1 rebles and rehung the whole ring, was carried out in no half-hearted manner. A company of eight met at Rock on the afternoon of Novernber 1st, and made "The Cross " their headquarters, where during their stay Host and Hostess Thomas looked well after their wants. After tea, the church, which possesses a fine Norman doorway, and a tower which can be seen for miles around, was visited. Some of the bells are ancient, but the peal have been "Taylorised," and are now a grand ring with a tenor 2lbs. under 13 cwt., which "go" like the proverbial fiddles.
Stedman was the first job with Billy Short at the heim. This presented no difficulties, and rolled home in fine style in 2 hrs. 55 mins., the "first on the bells " being thus an accomplished fact. On reaching headquarters the villagers were found assembled in full force to hear the handbells, 60 they were treated to a course of Grandsire Caters, a touch of Triples, and some tunes, greatly to their delight. Daybreak on Sunday found the visitors up, and after disposing of the home fed," they again hied to the tower. Double Norwich was the music with bob to call, and 2 hrs .59 mins. saw the finish of a grand peal. After inspacting the bells they landed back in time to attack is prime joint of beef, and there was no trip in this. Whilst the tobacco smoke circulated, the handbells were brought out, and a course of Grandsire Cinques was successful. Hereabouts the afternoon nap was calling, but they were having no slackers, so back to the tower for the linal peal they went. As they gazed meditatively at the whipping post nel stocks under the church wall, it was threatened that whosoever hould miss the peal should be put into them. However, Superlative was soon rolling out, and at such a pace that the speed limit was execded, and the fear of he stocks browght the pace down to normal, fter a course or so, and all went well, rounds arriving at 5.30. Thus h"ee peals had bsen rung under 24 hours. Not a bad show! After ea interval, a gcod course of London was rung, and the bells lowered efore service. The best thanks are due to the Vicar for permission, - Messrs. Bridgc and Churchwarden Nott and all those who contriuter to make the risit so pleasant. The party hope that sometime in he fulure they may again make a similarly euccessful journey into
the wilds.

## WILLIAM VERRY COMMEMORATION DINNER.

A very enjoyable evening was spent on the occasion of the ninth orth, on Saturday week. After ringing touches at the Old Clurch, he ringers and friends gathared round the festive board, and were rved with a substantial dinner. Mr. James George took the chair, nd submitted the toasts of "The King "and "The Church and State," hich were duly honoured. Subsequently Mr. W. H. Godden spoke 1 eulogy of tho late Mr. William Verry, and the toasts of "The inging Papers " and "The Chairman," were also submitted. pital musical programme was carried out, "The Blue Bells of Scotlarkey and E. Wood; and a coursells by Messis. C. Starkey, E. mped on the dulcimer; and a course of Bob Major was splendidy mpally with some excellent selections. Capital songs wighted the uled by Messrs. Frank Ward, S. Verry, Orton and Morriss contriandbells, specially brought by Mr. George to be played on for the irst time, gave a great deal of pleasure, several tunes being ably played on them.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

A monthly meeting of the Devizes branch was held at Chirton and. Marden on Wednesday week, and, it being a beautiful day, a good. number of ringers assembled. Ringing was commenced at 3 o'clock at St. John's Church, Chirton, and at 4 oclock the party proceeded. to All Saints' Church, Marden, where the ringing was contimued until. 5 p.m., when an adjournment was made to the Marten Reading Room, where a sumptuous tea had been provided by the liberality of Mr. J. W. and Mrs. Kingstone, of The Manor House, Marden. About 25 sat down and thoroughly enjoyed the repast. Amongst those present werethe Rev. H. E. Tilney-Bassett (Master of the Guild), the Rov. D. Osborne Davies (Vicar of Chirton and Marden), the Rev. P. II. Jackson (Rector of Patney), the Rev. J. A. Sturton (Vicar of Market Lavington), chairman, supported by Mr. Hy. Brownlee West (hon. secretary), and ringers from the towers of Devizes, St. John and St. Mary: Marden, Southbroom, Patney, Market Lavington, Chirton, Bishop Cannings, and Beechingstoke. Mr. and Mrs. Kingstone, Mrs. Davies and Miss Niven were also piesent.-Two new members were added to the Guild, and the meeting closed with a very hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar of Chirton for the use of the bells, also to Mr. and Mrs. Kingstone for their great kindness in providing the tea. After tea, the company returned to the towers, and further ringing brought to a close a mosis. pleasant meeting.

## RAYNE BELLS DEDICATED.

On All Saints' Day, the new treble bell, which had been added to the existing five at Rayne Parish Church, Essex, was dedicated at a special service by the Rev. J. H. Barrow, senior curate of Chelmsford. The cost of the new bell and the rehanging of the old five amounted to $£ 65$, and over $£ 60$ was subscribed by the time the service of dedication was held. The money had been raised by voluntary contributions, in which ringers in various parts of Essex subscribed over £10. Before the dedication of the new bell, the five old bells were rung by the Rayne ringers. The service followed, with a shortened form of evensong, and after dedicating the belle, the Rev. J. II. Barrow preached an appropriate sermon.
A collection for the bell fund amounted to $£ 511 \mathrm{~s}$. Immediately after the service 720 Kent Treble Bob was rung on the bells by members of the Essex Association of Change Ringers, conducted by Mr. C. H. Howard, master. In the evening, the Rector of Rayne and Mrs. Hutchinson entertained upwards of seventy ringers from the district: to tea in the Church Schoolroom. after which ringing was resumed by to tea in the Church
the visiting ringers.

## WINCHESTER GUILD.

## WINCHESTER DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETTNG.

*The annual meeting of the Winchester district was held at Winchester on Saturday. The Cathedral bells were rung during the afternoon and evening, and service was attended in the Cathedral at 4 p.m. Tea was prepared in St. Maurice Hall, at which the Very Rer. the Dean (Dr. Furneaux) presided. There were also present. Archdeacon Fearon, Canon Storr, Canon Martin, Canon Smith, Revs. W. E. Colchester, Haslope and Suart, the Chapter Clerk (Mr. F. Bowker), Mr. G. Williams (General Secretary of the Guild), Mr. Wilfred Andrews (Captain of the Cathedral band), Mr. H. White (Basingstoke), and members from Hursley, North Stonelam, Twfford, Basingstoke, Barton Stacey, Bishopstoke. Kingsworthy, Owslebury, Bishop Sutton, Alresford, and the Cathedral band.

At the business meeting, which followed, the balance shect showed receipts $£ 184 \mathrm{~s} .2 \mathrm{~d}$. and expenditure $£ 916 \mathrm{~s}$. 7d. All the officers were re-elected, viz: The Rey. Canon Braithwaite (chairman), Mr. J. W. EIkins (hon. secretary), Mr. C. H. Russell (assistant secretary), Meesrs. Wilfred Andrews and W. Tucker (representatives on Central Commitiee), and Mr. G. Smith (auditor)-The Rev. R. H. Streatfield (Kingsworihy) and the Rev. A. E. Norman (Selborne) were elected hon. members. - It was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Southampton on the second Saturday in November, 1914.
In responding to a rote of thanks, the Dean said he heartily welcomed the ringers to Winchester again, and expressed his high appreciation of their services as church workers.

Mr. Andrews called attention to the number of five bell towers and the scarcity of six bell towefs in the district, and hoped something might be done to increase the number of bells, because six bells were not only more interesting to ringers than five bells, but werevery much pleasanter to listen to.
Thanks were accorded to the Dean and Chapter for the use of the bells, and to the hon. secretary
At a subsequent meeting of the committee, seven new members from Chawton and seven from Selborne were admitted probationarr members of the Guild: also one from North Stoneham, one from Bishopstoke, two from Twyford, and two full members from Twrford.
It was decided to hold three quarterly meetings in 1914, the first at Alton in February; the second at Stockbridge in May, and the third at Twyford in September. These meetings to be Geld on the second Saturday in the month.
Mr. G. Williams was appointed to give a course of instruction tothe Owslebury band.

## NOTICES.

IMPORTANT. - Correspondents and others should note that in future all communications to "The Ringing World" should be addressed to 9, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - North-Eastern Dis-trict.-The annual meeting for this district will be held .at Coggeshall on Saturday, November 15 th. Tea (followed by meeting) will be provided at the Chappell Hotel -at $5.30,6 \mathrm{~d}$. each to members giving notice.-A. Shufflebotham, District Secretary, Little Square, Braintree.

LADIES' GUILD (Southern District).-A meeting will be held in Reading on Saturday, Nov. 15th. Ring at Caversham (8) at 2.30, and afterwards at St. Lawrence ( $\mathbf{1 0}$ ), and St. Giles' (8). Tea at the " Rising Sun," at 4.30 . Gentlemen are cordially invited.-Miss E. Belcher, Mereside, Fieet, Hants.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Streatham on Saturday, November 15 th. St. Leonard's tower open for ringing at 3 p.m Committee meeting at 4.30 . Tea at 5.15 . Business meeting after; all in the Schoolroom adjoining the Church.-Cyril F. Johnston, Bell Foundry, Croydon.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).-Northern District.-The next meeting will be held at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, on Saturday, November 15th, 1913. Beils available from 6 to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow. All cordially invited.-J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7 d , Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Higher Walton on Nov. 15 th. Beils ready at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting at 5.30--E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. --The next monthly meeting will be held at St. Michael's Parish Church, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Saturday, November 15 th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Meeting at 7 p.m. All ringers welcome. - W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.
HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Northern District.-A meeting will be held on Saturday, November I 5th, at Hitchin. The Vicar and churchwardens kindly provide tea.-F. R. Bacon, District Secretary.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern District.The annual meeting will be held at Ingatestone on Saturday, November ${ }^{1}{ }^{\text {th }}$. Service at 5 o'clock. Short address by the Rev. J. W. House, Rector of Fryerning. Tea and meeting at 5.45 at the Spread Eagle Hotel, 6d. to members, is. 6d. to others. Ald outstanding subscriptions ought to be paid at this meeting. Ingatestone bells (5) at $3 \cdot 30$, and during the evening. Fryerning bells (5) kindly notify me not later than first post Wednesday, 3.30 to 4.30 , and 7.30 to 9.-Henry F. Cooper, District Secretary, County Offices, Chelmsford.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIA-TION.-Quarterly meetings will be held at Pytchley on Saturday, November I 5 th, and Higham Ferrers on Saturday, November 22nd. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.-F. Wilford, General Secretary.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District.-Annual meeting at Basingstoke, Saturday, November 22nd. Bells (8) from 4 o'clock. Service at
5.30. Tea and business meeting at Church Cottage at 6.15.-F. G. Hume, District Secretary, Oakley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rocidale Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Todmorden Unitarian on Saturday, November 22nd. Bells ready at 3. Business meeting 6.30. - Joseph Ogden, Secretary, r 35 , Salts Street, Shaw, Oldham.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Norwood Green on Saturday, November 22 nd. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea by invitation of the Rector (Rev. H. O. Walpole) in Biscoes Schools at 5.30.-H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Wootton on Saturday, November 22nd.-John W. Barker, District Secretary.
LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOC-IETY.-The next monthly meeting of the above Society will be held on Saturday, November 22nd, at St. Chads, Far Headingley, for practice. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business Meeting will be held in the Schools at 7 P.m.F. Hopwood, Secretary, 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke, Bradford.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).-A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held on Thursday, November 27th, at St. Paul's, Hammersmith, W. Tower open from 7.30 p.m. to 9.30. All ringers welcome.-F. J. Hardy, Hon. General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch.-A branch meeting will be held at Colne on Saturday, November 29th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at St. Giles-in-the-Fields on Saturday, November 29th. Bells available from 3.30. Short service at 5 , to which all ringers are earnestly invited. Tea at the Church House, Dyott Street, at 5:30, by the kind invitation of the Rector (Rev. W. H. Davies), to those who advise me, by the 26th, of their intention of being present. Business meeting after tea. The bells of St. James', Clerkenwell, will also be available from 7.30 to 9 p.m.-C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.-A quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Blakenhall on Saturday, November 29th. Bells available at 40 'clock. Service in church 5 o'clock. $\Lambda$ free tea will be provided for those only who notify me not later than Wednesday, November 26 th. Business meeting afterwards.-Herbert Sheppard, Honorary Secretary, 66, Himley Road, Dudley.
CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. H. R. Newton has removed to 218, Wellington Buildings, Pimlico, S.W.
THE LADIES' GUILD.-I beg to remind members that the annual subscription is now due. Badges may bc obtained at 2s. each, post free.-Edith K. Parker. Hon. Secretary, 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.-Meetings for practice at the Cathedral will be held weekly on Thursdays, at $7 \cdot 30$, and on the last Saturday in each month, also at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Ringing on Sundays will be for morning service to to 11 a.m. Evening service 6 to 7 p.m. All ringers will be heartily welcomed at any time.-H. F. Cooper, County Offices, Chelmsford.

PEAL BOOKS.-Price 3s. 6d., post free, 300 pages. The first peal written in (with weather-proof ink) free of charge, if particulars of same are enclosed with order.J. Beams, Fir Tree Road, Banstead, Epsom, Surrey.

## HOLIDAY APARTMENTS.

Having frequently had inquiries from ringers for information as to other members of the Exercise who have holiday apartments to let, we offer the use of our columns to those who cater for visitors at seaside and other resorts. Terms for insertion will be sent on application.

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## A NEW SUFFOLK PEAL.

A new ring of six bells, cast and hung by Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich, have been dedicated at Sutton, Suffolk. The bells are all tuned on the Simpson principle, and hung in wrought steel frames bolted to heary steel girders. All the fittings are of the most modern type. The tenor weighs 11 cwt. 3 qrs., in the key of $G$.
A special band of ringers met to open the bells, and in the service a few rounds were rung, this beirg the frist time the new bells had bzen heard. Everyone expressed satisfaction with their sweet tone. Immediately after the service the same band rang 720 of Osford Treble Bob Minor. The bells were then handed over to the visitors, of which there were about 40 present from Mietley, Ipswich, Marlesford, Great Bromley, Harkstead, Sproughton, Earl Soham, Holbrook, Langham, etc. Tea was provided by the Rector and churchwardens at the King's Head, after which some courses of Treble Bob Major, etc., were rung upon the handbells. At the close of the tea, the Rector looked in, and asked the ringers their opinion of the new bells, and the verdict was " a splendid peal, and go well."
The tower contained an old ring of five of bad tone, and bad castings. The new treble has been presented by a London lady (Mrs Trotter), and boars the following inseription: "Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich, east me, 1913." "Donum Dedit C. S. T. in memoriam T. H. J.. 1894-1909." The other five bells bear the old inscriptions reproduced, and the words, "Recnst by Bowell, of Ipswich, 1913."

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Tenor ( 33 cwt .) of the New Ring of 12 wULTRTN CHAMBERS, wOLVERHAMPTON, messrs. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON. 4th March, 1912. Gentlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two now ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, reoently carried cut by you has proved most successful, and given seneral satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how plessed they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualifed to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one ot the beat peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,

Architeot, Diocesan Surveyor.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT.

All is not well, apparently, with the Essex Association. Friction in the ranks is becoming manifest, and members in some districts seemed to be chafing under a feeling that the organisation is not being conducted to their satisfaction. Following the dissension which arose in the North-Western Division over the arrangements for the Elmdon meeting, there was last Saturday, at the annual: meeting of the North-Eastern District, at Coggeshall, further complaint against " the way the Association is: carried on." More than one speaker ventilated the view that matters were not satisfactory. Both the District Master and the District Secretary resigned office, and, we are told, it was with difficulty that successors could be found for the respective posts.
Now, one of the privileges of an Englishman is that he should be allowed to grumble, and this means of " letting. off steam " is sometimes all for the good. But when it comes to the resignation of the chief district officers there is something more serious in it. What the exact grounds of dissatisfaction are in the North-Eastern District we are unable to say, but it is obvious the members must feel strongly on the subject, or there would not be threatened secessions from membership. The general officers of the Association have always seemed to be in close touch with the members, and they must, therefore, be fully alive to the feeling that exists. Consequently, in the interests of the Association, we hope they will take immediate and effective steps to save any open breach in the ranks.
We do not like to hear of resignations and such likedrastic actions, until every other step has been taken and failed, to amend the grievances which exist. Hasty action never has the best results, and secession removes the opportunity for setting right that which is wrong. The wise course, we think, would be to bring whatever may be the cause of the trouble to the notice of the general body of members at the annual meeting. Then both sides-and there are generally two sides-can be heard, the matter dispassionately discussed, and, if necessary, modifications made in the working arrangements. No one cares to stir up mud, but if, as distinctly seems to be the case, thereare those who believe they are suffering under grievances, let them "have it out " at the right time and place. It is far better to do this, than to allow a spirit of dissension to creep in and lead, as it inevitably must, to the disintegration of the organisation. Constitutional methods can be employed to right any wrongs that exist, and we hope, for the fair fame of the Essex Association, numerically one of the strongest in the country, that the differences that exist may be amicably adjusted, as we feel sure they can be if the right methods be adopted.


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## TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS
On Thursday, November 13, 1913, in Thre Hours and Twenty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Dunstan, Stepney,
A PEAL OE BTRDRAH BATERS, 8078 CHANOE8; Tenor 3 l cwt.

| Henry Springall. | ... | ...Treblo | Herbert Langdon |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thomas Faulxner |  | ... 2 | Robhrt W. Griben... |  |
| William Truss |  | . 3 | Frederick J. Hardy |  |
| Alfred B. Peck | $\ldots$ | .. 4 | Emanuel Hall |  |
| James Scholms |  | 5 | George Barrett |  | James Scholes ... ... ... 5 George Barrett ... ...Tenor Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and Conducted by Herbert Langdon

LONDON.
TUE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(Late the St. James' Suciety.)
(Southern District.)
On Saturday, Nozomber 15,1913 , in Threi Hours and Tuenty-si.r Minuies At the Church of St. Lore, Chelsea,
A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN CATERS, 5008 GHANGES;


## BRISTOL

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Satwrday, November 15, 1913, in Thvee Hours and Teenty Minutts, At Christ Church (City),
A PEAL OF GRAND8IRE CATERE, 5003 CHANQEE : Tencr 20 cwt .
Alfred E. Reeves ... ...Trelic | William J. Probert ... 6 Frederick W. Wade ... 2 Henry B. Burt ... ... 7 Fred G. May ... ... ... 3 Gilbert Wiltshire ... 8 Albert Stowell ... ... 4 Isaac Long. ... ... ... 9
 Composed and Conducted by Fred G. May.
The peal was rung muffed as a mark of respect to the late Miss Ellaline Edwards, who was a member of Christ Church congregation. It was through her generosity that the bells of this church were rehung in Igor.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

CONDOVER, SHROPSHIRE
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUII,D. On Saturday, Nowember 8, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Chances;

Holt's Ten-Part.

- William Passmore ... ...Tyeble Richard Fa Tane Richard F. Lane ... ... 2 E. R. Trevor Corbett... 3 - James Young

Conducted by Charles R. Lilley.

* First peal. The ringers of ist, 3 rd, 4 th, 7 th and 8 th belong to the Condover band, $5^{\text {th }}$ and 6th to St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, and I. I. Lane, who is at present rehanging St. Chad's bells, to Loughborough.


## LONDON

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, November 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At Christ Chorch, Cubitt Town,

## A PEAL OF BTEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;

 Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor i2 $\frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.Isaac G. Shade ... ... ...Tyible | Henry Hawkine ... ... 5 Williai Pye ... ... ... 2 I Harry Fowler ... ... ... 3 George H. Daynes ... 7 Harold: W. Clarke... ... 4 Dalby Hodgson ... ...Tenor Harold: W. Clarke....... 4 Dalby Hodgson Conducted by William Pye.

REIGATE, SURREY.
THE SURIREY ASSOCIATION. (Southern Branch.)
On Monday, November 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Sik Minates,

> At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

'William H. Card Henry F. Ewins William Chesseman ... 6 Frederick Bashford ... 3 Albert Harman ... ... 7 Arthur Holman $. . . \quad . . . \quad 4$ George F. Hoad...

Composed by W. Sotianstall, and
Conducted by George F. Hoads.
Rung, after meeting shor't for Royal, on the eve of St. Martin's Day.

## WARFIELD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, November 10, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Chorch of St. Michael,
\& PEAL OF STED ${ }^{2} A H$ THIPLES, 6040 CHANEES 'Thorstans' Foor-Part. Tenor I4 cwt.
Ernest Lambert ... ...Treble George Martin William H. Fossell... ... 2 Harry Bongay 5
6 John Rance... ... $. . . \quad . . .3 \mid$ Rev. Cyril Jenkyn ... 7 William Weling $. . . \quad . . .4$ Rev. Geo. F. Coleridge Tenor Conducted by Rev. Cyril Jenkyn.
First peal on the bells, also a birthday peal for the Rev. G. F. Coleridge. The five old bells have been recast by Messrs. Mears \& Stainbank and augmented to a very musical eight, the work of hanging having been ably carried out by Messrs. Webb \& Bennett, Kidlington.

## LIVERPOOL.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Monday, November 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Michael, Garston,
A PEAL OF KEENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANQES; Tenor i2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

*James R. Griffen ... ...Tveble | Walter Hoghes ... ... 5 George Woodhall... ... 2 Edward Caunce ... ... 6 | Thomas Jeninion | $\ldots$ | .. | 3 | George R. Newion | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John Allen | ... | $\ldots$ | .. | 4 | John Turner | .. |
| Jon | ... | Tenor |  |  |  |  | John Allen Composed by Arthur Craven, and Conducted by George R. Newton.

* First peal of Kent Treble Bob Major. Rung as a birthday compliment to $T$. Jennion and to commemorate the silver weiding day of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hughes.


## TAMWORTH, STAFFS.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Monday, Novenber 10. 1913, in Three Honrs and Nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Editha,

## A PEAL OF STEDZAM TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGESI

Lates' Variation of Tiumstans' Four-Part. Tenor 221 cwt .
Joseph W. Timms ... ...Treble |Henry Chapman ... ... 5
Alfred Chaplin...
George Chaplis
George Chaplin
Charles Chapman


* First peal of Stedman. Rung in honour of the election of Councillor F. G. Allton as Mayor of Tamworth. IV. H. Hammond was elocted a member of the Association before starting for the peal.


## ST. ALBANS, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Mondiy, November 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Tüentj-taro Minutes, At the Cathedral,
A PEAL OF BOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB AAAJOR, 5024 CHANGES ; Tenor 28 cwt.

* Frank Whiteman .. George N. Price Henry Hodgetis Hubert Eden ..Treble
.. 3 Lewis Goodenodgh
Composed by G. Lindorf and
Conducted by Edward Whitbread
* First peal in the method. The first seven bells have been rehung by Messrs. Mears \& Stainbank, and the "go" is all that can be slesired.


## BRIDGWATER, SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, November 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, AI The ChUrCh of St. Mary,
A PEAL OE GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GMANGES;
Holt's Six-Part.
Tenor $25 \frac{1}{1}$ cwt.
*Harry West ... ... ...Treble Alexander Evans
Frederick Iley
D. G. Taylor...
A. O. Major $\ldots . . . . . \quad . . . ~ 5$
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Frederick Iley } & . . . & \ldots & 3 & \text { Gabriel Chamberlain }\end{array}$... 7 G. H. Pruen ... ... ... 4 James Coram ... ... ...Tenoy Conducted by Gabriel Chamberiain.

* First peal and first attempt. Rung on the occasion of the Mayor's Day.

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Blackbran Branch.)
On Monday, November 10, 1913, is Two Howrs and Fifty-sevon Minutes.
At the Chofch of Immandel,

## 

## Tenor Ix ${ }^{3}$ cwt.

| W. Whewell | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | ©. Sharples | $\ldots$ | ... | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| J. Shaw | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 2 | A. T. Houldsworth | $\ldots$ | 6 |

 J. Rawcliffe ... ... ... 4 J. Bentley ... ... .... Teno, Composed by J. W. Washbrook, and Conducted by J. Houldsworth.

* First peal in the method. All the above belong to the local ccm. pany with the exception of A. Tomlinson, of Blackburn.


## ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, November 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Tqo Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Masy,

## A FEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Original.

- Henry Straw

Henry Harrison .
( ... ... 2 | Wileiam Thorvley ...
 Joseph Hall ... ... ... 4 Henry Beardsley ... ... Tenor Conducted by Edward C. Gobey.
*First peal, elected a member before starting for peal. † First peal in the method. Rung to commemorate the election of Mr. J. A. Macdonald as Mayor of Ilkeston.

## SMETHWICK, STAFTORDSHIRE.

IIE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Division.)
On Tuesday, Noumber 11, 1913, in Two How's and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Old Church,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Sir A. P. Heywood's Transposition.
George F. Swann ... ...Treble | Horace Howell ... ... 5 Miss Saraif Pigott ... 2 *Valter Pigott

* J. Herbert Benfield ...

George Garrison ... ... 4 Morris T. Morris ... .... ... ${ }^{7}$ Teno

- First peal in the method.


## TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

 AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.Or Tuesday, November 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,

## 

Thorstans' Five-Part.

William H. Godden ...Treble Tenor i2 cwt. o qr. 23 lbs . Simpel Reeves... ... ... 2 Herbert Knight ..... .5 | William Rock Smale | ... | 3 | Benjamin Godgh | ... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | John Carter

## Conducted by Samoel Reeves.

This peal was rung on the Festival of St. Martin (Bishop and Confessor), and to commemorate the 74th birthday of Mr. William Rock: Small, his colleagues heartily congratulating him on his attainment. Hopes were expressed that they would have the honour of ringing many more anniversary peals for him.

## MITCHAM, SURREY

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, November 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES ;
Joseph A. Lambert $\ldots$

## PENDLETON, LANCS.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, November 12, 1913, in Three3Hours, At the Chorch of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

## Tenor 18 cwt .



Composed by J. Thorpe, and
Conducted by J. Ridyard.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Barratt and Chapman, the captains of the Eccles and Pendeton companies respectively.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
O. Wednesday, November 12, 1913, in Three Hou's and Two Minutes, At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-Part.
*George Richardson ...Treble
Henry Stalham ... ... 2 Edwin Stanet Herbert Rann $\ldots$..... .4

Tenor if cwt. I qr. 20 lbs.
Alfred J. Turner. ... ... 5 James A. Hart... ... ... 6 Robert J. Dawe ... ... 7
Frederick Charman ....Tenor Conducted by Jamesza. Hart.

* First peal away from the tenor. This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to Albert E. Edwards, instructor to the Barcombe branch of the Association

DARLASTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Thursday, November 13, 1913, in Two Howrs and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE HORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES ; Tenor Ig cwt.

| *Thomas Hughes | Treble | $\dagger$ Chiristopher Waliater.. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George Hughes | ... 2 | Thomas J. Elton |
| Edgar Smi | 3 | Albert Little |
| N |  | William Fishe |

 Composed by Henry W. Wilde, and Conducted by William Fisher.

* First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First in the method with a bob bell, and also first in the method on the bells.

HAMMERSMITH.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND ST. PAUL'S GUILD.
On Thursday, November 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Paul,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD B08 TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

## J. J. Parker's Six-Part.

George W. Coombes ...Treble Harry Barrett... Ernest H. Cook Harry Stevens...

Tenor 1.5 cwt .
Frank Skevington...
George C. Iles
G.
George C. Iles $\ldots \ldots$
Charles F. W. Hunt
$\cdots$

| Charles |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Edward Cassell | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Skevington.

First peal in the method by all, and first peal in the method by the Guild.

COLEMAN'S HATCH, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, November 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes. At the Church of Holy Trinity,
A PEAL \&F STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor if cwt. 2e qu. 2 lbs., in G.
 John Capp ... ... ... ... 2 Oliver Sippetts ... ... 6 Arthur H. White ......$\quad 3 \quad$ Keith Hart ... ... ... 7 Richard Stredwick ... ... 4 William C. Hart ... ... Tenow Conducted by Eeith Hart.

## ROMFORD, ESSEX

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, November 13, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Edward,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor I7 cwt.


* First peal in the method.


## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursaday, Novembbr 13, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Paddington,.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;

Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Variation. Tenor 20 cwt .
Reuben Sanders ... ...Treble Alfred W. Grimes … 5
Edin F. Plike ......
William J. Nudds $\quad . .$. Frank Bennett... ... ... 4 Maurice F. Hibbert ...T Tenon Conducted by Frank Bennett.
First peal of Stedman on the bells.

## MATLOCK, DERBYSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, November 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;
Tenor I4 cwt.
John H. Paulson ... ...Treble | William Fox ... ... ... 5
Rev. A. T. Beeston... ... 2 Renjamin Greatorex ... 6
Albert C. Wright ... ... 3 John Flower ... ... ... 7
Thomas White ... $\ldots . . . . . \quad 4$ | Henry George $\quad . .$.
Composed by Arthur Craven, and
Conducted by Rev. A. T. Beeston.
For figures see M.C.A. Report, Peal No. r 369 .
COLERNE, WILTSHIRE.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes; At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Hollis' Five-Part.

| •Joseph W. Bell | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Tyeble | Gilbert H. Harding | ... | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John Taylor | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Charles W. Bell. ... | ... | 6 |
| Albert E. Alexander | ... | 3 | Henry W. Brown | ... | ... | 7 |  | | Albert E. Alexander ... | 3 | Henry W. Brown ... | ... | .. | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William J. Prescott | ... | 4 | Thomas Hogsflesh | $\ldots$ | Tenor | Conducted by Charles W. Bell.

* First peal. This peal was arranged for Joseph W. Bell (son of. the conductor), who is 17 years of age, and the youngest peal ringer in Bath and District. It was rung at the second attempt, the first failing at the end of the peal owing to the breaking of a rope. It was. his first peal, and great credit is due to him for the way he rang his, bell. The peal was also a birthday compliment to the ringer of the: 3rd.

COLNE, LANCASHIRE.<br>THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.<br>(Blackburn Branch.)<br>On9Satnotay, November 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,<br>At the Chorch of St. Bartholomew,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 16 cwt.


Rung on the occasion of the C.E.M.S. meeting at Colne.

## WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Noumber 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;

## Tenor iz cwt., in $G$.

| *H. Hall |  | Treble | L. C. Wightm |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H. BedingField |  | . 2 | E. Jenkins.. |  | 6 |
| G. A. Wightman |  | . 3 | D. Wightman |  |  |
| D. Collins | ... | -. 4 | W. Burgess |  | Tenor |

Composed by William Sotranstall, and Conducted by David G. Wightman.

- First peal of Treble Bob.


## NEW ROMNEY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (The Romney Marsh and District Guild.) On Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5050 CHAMCEE;


* First attempt for a peal. † First peal on eight- bells.


## LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Noumber 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-thxee Minutes, At the Church of St. John, Depiford, S.E.,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor I4 cwt. o qr. i8 lbs., in F. Alfred G: Bennington...Treble| Edwin Barnett, Senr.... 5 Frank Bennett ... ... 2 Harry Warnett, Senr. 6
 Fredk. Wm. Richardson 4 Charles H. Macklin ...Tenor Conducted by William J. Jeffries.

* First peal in the method away from tenor. Arranged to com--memorate the tenth anniversary of the re-formation of St. John's band.


## LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE.

On Saturday, Novmber 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes, At the Church of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor $22 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. +George Jones ..
Walter Hayward
…
..Treble
George Case ... ......

- Leonard Hewett


## Conducted by William Short

- First peal. † First peal on eight bells. This peal was rung as a 'compliment to the Mayor, Mr. S. H. Valentine, a chorister for 43 years, a sidesman and ex-churchwarden, who hospitably entertained the ringers after the peal.

CHESTER, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Chester Branch.)
On Saturday, Novomber 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary Within-the-Walls,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANCES;

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor if cwt.

*George Jones ... ... ... 4 *Frank Garner... ... ... Tenor Conducted by Robert Sperring.

* First peal. + First peal with a bob bell.

BOLNEY, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (Bolney Branch.)
替On Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR; 5040 CHANGES। Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{5} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Arthur Absalom... ... ...Treble | Charles Starley ... ... 5
George Walder... ... ... 2 George Lewry...
Thomas Gasson ... ... ... 3 William Vincent ... ... 7 Frank Stoner ... ... .... 4 Walden -Walder ... ...Tenoy Composed by Henry Hubbard, and Conducted by Warden Walder.
*First peal. First peal of Major by all the band and rung at the first attempt. Also the first peal of Major by a local band for upwards of 68 years.

OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(East Berks and South Bucks Branch.)
On Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF CA HBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGE ;
*William Henley ... ...Tveble | Jesse Eldridge ... ... 5
George Gutteridge ... 2 | Herbert Cox ... ... ... 6
*William A. Garraway ... 3 | George Martin ... ... 7
*Joseph J. Parker ... ... 4 William Welling... ... Tenor Composed by C. Middieton, and
Conducted by George Martin.

* First peal in the method, and first in the method on the bells.

BUXTED, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Novomber 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF BGB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

 Tenor I6 cwt.

* First peal of Major.

WIVELISCOMBE, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Chorch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Hollis' Five-Part No. 2.
-Tom W. Creed... ... ...Treble | Henry Norman .... ... 5
Henry J. Creed ... ... 2 Archibald J. Andrews ... 6

| Robert Scott ... | .. |
| ---: | :--- |
| fThomas J. Lloyd | ... | fThomas J. Lloyd ....... ${ }^{4}$ Conducted by Robert Scott.

* First peal of Grandsire Triples. + First peal of Triples with a bob bell.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

SHIPLEY, SUSSEX
THE ANCIENT SOCIFTY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Saturday. October 25, 1913, m Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BO§ F月INOR, 5040 CHANGE8;
Being 720 each of College Pleasure, Violet, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, College Exercise, Kent and Oxford. Tenor in cwt.
*Thomas Wales ... ...Treble Albert Harman ... ... 4
John Akehorst ... ... 2 Horace Edivards ... ... 5
Fredk. R. Tullett, Junr. 3 Fredk. R. Tullett, Senr. Tenor Conducted by Fredf. R. Tullett, Senr.

* First peal.


## EASTON-IN-GORDANO, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WFIIS DIOCFSAN ASSOCIATION On Saturday, November 1. 1913, in Tio Hours and Forty-five Minutes, A. the Parish Chtreh,

Tenor 21 cwt .
*Henry C. Sealey ... ...Treble | LLewis Hy. Moore, Junr. 4 Lewis Hency Moore ... 2 George H. Gale ... ... 5 William G. Bennett ... 3 Henry Porter... ... ... Tenor Conducted by George H. Gale.

* First peal. + First peal with a bob bell. Rung in honour of the 40th birthday of W. G. Bennett and the 7oth birthday and 45 th wedding day of Henry Porter. The latter has been ringing in the tower for 57 years, and it was his wish to ring a peal of all Grandsire Doubles.

WITNESHAM.
TEF NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sunday, November 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF WINOR, BO4B CHANEES !

Being two 720's each of Kent, Woodbine and Oxford Treble Bob,
and 720 of Plain Bob.
Albert Flfming ... ...Tyeble George Fleming

| $\ldots . .$. | Tyeble |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| $\ldots$ |  |  | ...... 3 George Farnis Conducted by George Farnish.

Messrs. Fleming belong to Witnesham, Bennett and Farnish to Ashbocking, Pryke to Otley and Ablitt to Burgh.

## BEDFORD

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(The St. Peter's Company.)
On Monduy, November 10, 1913. in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF SURPRI8E NINOR, 5040 CHAHCEE;

Being 720 each of Chester, Beverley, London, Wells, Durham, York and Cambridge. Tenor is cwt.
Charles A. Robinson ...Treble Charles Stapleton ... 4 John C. Cooke ... ... ... 2
 Conducted by William Stapleton.
This is the first peal of Surprise Minor rung in the county and by all except the 3 rd ringer. Rung at the third attempt. The company only started learning after the Leytonstone ringers visited Bedford last June and showed them the way to ring the methods.

TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIUN.
On Tuesday, November 17, 1913. in Three Honrs and Nine Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE HANOR, 5040 CHANGE :

Being 720 each of Beverley, London, Welis, York, Durham, Norwich and Cambridge Surprise.
Clarence Gooch .. ...Tyeble| George 20 cwt
Elamin Whiting .. ... 4
 Condacted by B. F. Turner.

* First peal of Minor


## WOODFORD, NORTHANTS

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIIRE ASSOCIATION On Satuxday, November 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,. At the Parish Cifurch,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, DOAO GHAMCES:

Being 720 Double Court, Double Oxford, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
John R. Main ... ... ...Treble Reginald Loveday... ... 4 James Hudson ... ... ... 2 Janiel Meadows ... ... 5 Leonard Wyman ... ... 3 Arthur Smeathers... ...TerozConducted by A. Smeatiers.

## DEAL, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTV ASSOCIATION
On Satwrday, November 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF MINOR 5040 GHANGES;
Being 720 each of College Single, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob; and four 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently.

Tenor $9 \frac{7}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$., in G .
*Norman A. Jefferies Treble John Trinder ... ... ... 4
*Arthur Long ... ... ... 2 Louis Ladd ... ... ... 5 Lce.-Sergt. F. A. Holden 3 Henry C. Castle ... .... Tenor Conducted by Frederick A. Holden, r.m.i.i.

- First peal. Arranged for N. A. Jefferies, R.m.L.I., who leaves. Walmer to be stationed at Stonehouse.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Thisty-two Minutes,

> At the Church of St. Mazy,

## $A$ PEAL OF TREBLE BOB RINOR, 5040 CHAMCS ;

Being 720 each of Annable's London, Bourne, Cambridge and Norwich: Surprise, College Exercise, Woodbine and Oxford. Tenor yo cwt.
Arthur Bailey ... ... ...Tieble William Clover ... ... 4 Charles Chenery ... ... 2 William Rose... ... ... 5 George Bailey ... ... ... 3 | Leonard Last... ... ...Temor Conducted by William Rose.
Messrs. Bailey and Chenery belong to Rickinghall, and L. Last to Wickham Skeith.

PEASENHALL, SUFFOLK.
THF NORWICI DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Tws Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Chl゙ecf of St. Mechael,
A PEAL OF SIK2?, $50 \$ 0$ CMAMCES;
Being three 720's of Plain Bob and two 720 's each of Kent and Oxford. Treble Bob. Tenor io cwt. 2 qr. Io lbs., in G.
Herbert G. Pratt ... ...Tycble | Norman R. Bailey... ... 4 Albert J. L. Naunton ... 2 Walter Last ... ... ... 5 Join Spencer $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . \quad 3 \mid$ Francis W. Naunton ... Tenor Conducted by Francis W. Nadnion.
Walter Last belongs to Sibton. The band wish to thank the Rev. E. A. Cooke for the use of the bells, also Mr. Nicholls for having everything ready. It is twelve years since the last peal was rung upon. these bells

FLORE, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAT, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Thres Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF BOE MIHOR, 5040 CHANCE8;

 Being seven 720's called differently.*Arthur T. Starmer ...Tveble William J. Allen... ... 4 Joseph C. Dean $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Walter C. Starmer $\quad . . .5$ J. Wilfred Sharp ... ... 3 Fred Hopper ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Fred Hopper.

* First peal of Minor. First peah on the bells.


## SAXMUNDHAM, SUEFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL GF 幾ANOR, 5040 CHAMCES;
Consisting of 720 of Canterbury Pleasure and two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Hob, each called differently.
lenor 10 Cwt .
AUGH
..Treble William Drew
John Larter...
Fredk. C. Lambert
.. Treble

Conducted by F. W. Watling.

## LANGPORT, SOMERSET.

TIE BATH AND WEIIS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sunday, Noumber 16, 1913, in Three Hours,

At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF AOB EANOR, 5040 CHANCE :
Tenor i6 cwt., in $F$.

- Arthur H. Kentrield ...Tieble Tom W. Creed ... ... 4
 Arthur Wheadon ... ... 3 Gerald Locke......

Conducted by T. J. Lloyd.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor on the bells by a local band. All the above are members of the C.E.M.S. Rung as a compliment to Mr. G. Dinham, of Calne, late of Langport, on the birth of a son.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, November 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At i2g, Brunswick Street, Hagrierston,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5087 CHANGES;

Bertram Preivett ... I - 2 | Ernest Pye ... ... ... 5-6


Alfred W. Grimes ... 9-io
Composed by J. Carter, and
Conducted by George R. Pye.
Umpires: J. Barry and A. C. Chaplin.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wednesday, Nowember 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, In the Belfry of St. Nicolas Church,
A PEAL OF STEOMAN CATERS, 5053 CHANGES;
Size 18, in G
Willoughby E. Maulden r-2 Maurice Smither... Alfred H. Pulling ... 3-4 Septimus Radford

Frank Blondell ... 9-io
Composed by G. Lindoff, and
Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.
Witness: Alfred Septimus Radford.

## CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD
On Monday, November 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Three Mintutes. At Pembroke Coleefe,
A PEAL OF LITtLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 GHANGES;
I. Bruce Williamson ... 1 - 2 William D. James Rev. A. H. F. Boughey Composed by N. J. Pitstow, and Conducted by Wieliam 1). James.

* First peal in the method.

The ringer of the $4^{\text {th }}$ in the peal at Coddington, on Nov. Ist, was Christopher Bowers, not Bowen as printed.

## GEDNEY BELLS AUGMENTED.

Some time agn the Yicar, churchwardens and parishioners of Gedney, Lincs, considered the possibility of increasing their ring of five to one of six bells, and a fund was started with that end in view. The subscriptions and promises came in so well that it was soon found that the new bell could be provided for. The original five bells were rehung a short time ago in a steel frame, and a frame provided for the new
treble, by the well known firm, Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough. The inseription on the new bell is: "Laudatus Jesus Christus " (" May Jesus Christ be praised "), and its tone and "go "are in every way satisfactory. The dedication was performed by the Rev. Canon Whiting (Rural Dean), who was assisted by the Vicar (the Rev. R. L. Gales). After the choir and congregation joined in the familiar hymn, "Lifted gently to the steeple," the canon preached to a large congregation from Psalm xliii, 3 and 4.
After service, a well-struck 720 Bob Minor was rung by: H, V. Fletcher (Gedney) 1, J. Fietcher (Gedney) 2, A. J. Farr (Moulton) 3, J. Taylor (Moulton) 4. S. Mumby (Long Sutton) 5, J. B. Mallifax (Fleet), conductor, 6 . Several other touches were rung with the local band taking part.

Great credit is due to Mr. H. V. Fletcher, the Vicar's warden, and captain of the ringers, who worked hard to get the new bell. The people of Gedney are proud of their magnificent church, magnificent tower, and now a magnificent peal of bells, which can bo heard several miles over the Wash.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT.

## DISSATISFACTION IN NORTH-EASTERN DISTRICT.

There was some plain speaking on the subject of the management of the Essex Association at the annual meeting of the North-Eastern District at Coggeshall on Saturday, and the District Maeter and District Secretary have resigned. Ringers were present from Rayne, Larl's Colne, Bocking, Gestingthorpe, and Coggeshall. At the meeting, which followed tea at Chappell Hotel, Mr. D. H. Elliott refused to be re-elected, and remarked that the conditions under which the Association is now carried on, inclined him to withdraw from it altogether. Several other members expressed themselves in similar terme, and it was with difficulty that a successor to Mr. Elliott eculd be found. Eventually Mr. G. Pannell consented to act for the coming year.

Next, Mr. A. Shufflebotham declined to be re-elected hon. district secretary, and expressed dissatisfaction with the working of the Association. Here again some difficulty was experienced in filling the vacancy, but Mr. B. Redgwell, of Rayne, ultimately consented to step into the breach for a year, and was accordingly elected.
The meeting closed with votes of thanks to the Vicar of Coggeshall (the Rev. F. S. Stoney) for the use of the bells, and to the district fficers for their services.
The ringing during the day included toumes of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent and Oxford Trebla Bob, Dcuble Norwich, Superlative and Cambridge Surprise Major, and on handbells a course of Grandsire Cinques by: F. Clavion 1-2, W. Howell 3-4, W. Keeble 5-6. D. H. Elliott 7-8. A. Shufflebotham 9-10, E. W. Beckwith 11-12. Also a course with G. Newman 1-2 and S. Howell 11-12, and a course of Caters and London Major.

## SOUTH-EASTERN DISTRICT MEETING.

The annual meeting of the South-Eastern District was held at Ingatestone, on Saturday, and was well attended. After ringing in the afternoon, the members attended service, at which the Rector (the Rer. C. Earls) officiated, and the Rer. W. I. House, Rector of Fryerning, gave a short and interesting address. The organist and choir boys very kindly gave their services. and the singing of the special psalms and hymns was heartily entered into. The Rector not being able to attend the tea and meeting which followed, assured the officers of the Association he was most pleased to hold this service, and hoped he should bo called upon for euch another at some future date.
Tea was served at the Spread Eagle Hotel, tho Rev. Wr. J. House presiding over a company of 27, supported by Mr. Green, the energetic captain of his nown band of ringers; the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, Vicar of Great Totham, and hon. secretary of the Association; Mr. C. H. Howard, Master ; Mr. Edwards (District Master), Mr. Cooper (district secretary), and members from Boreham, Bentley St. Paul, Fryerning, Rettenden. Shenfield Writtle, and the local ringers.

At the business meeting after, five new members were enrolled.The District Master having held office for five years, expressed his wish to retire, as he thought in the interest of the Association, there were others who ought to act. - After a little persuasion, Mr. W. Lincoln, of Writtle, was elected to the office.-Mr. Cooper was unanimously re-elected secretars. - Rettendon was selected for the next meeting to be held in March.

The Rev. Eyre proposed, and Mr. Edwards saconded, a hearty vote of thanks to the Rectors of Ingatestone and Fryerning for holding the service. also to the Rev. W. J. House for presiding at the meeting.The Chairman suitably responded, and informed the members that an effort to place a sixth bell in Fryerning tower early in the New Year was to be mads. -This announcement was greeted with cheers.
Mr. Edwards was heartily thanked for his services as Master. as was also the secretary, both officers thanking the members for the kind words that had been said of them. The meeting then broke up with everyone satisfied that the experiment of holding the annual meeting at a fire-bell tower had been most successful. The tower was again visited, Graudsire and Stedman Doubles being rung; also a course cach oi Grandsire Triples and Caters on the handbells. Fryerning bills were also rung during the afternoon.

## MEARS \& STAINBANK, <br> Foundry Establlished A.D. 1570. <br> Bellfounders \& Bellhangers, 32 \& 34, Whitechapel Road, LONDON, E.



THE TENOR BELL, SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL, Weight, 50 cwt. 0 qr. 21 lbs.
This bell was recast, and the peal of twelve rehung by us in September, 1911. Since then the following peals have been rung on the bells :-
Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the College Youths. Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association.
Cambridge Surbrise Maximus by the College Youths.
Btedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on May 11th 1912.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association, June 1st. Stedman Cinques by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17th.
Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the Kent Association, December 7th, 1912.

## ESTIMATES SUBMITTED

For Rehanging, Retuning and Recasting.
Musical Handbells in sets, Bell Ropes, \&c.
At the Handbell Contests, held annually in Manchester the Fisst Frize for the last $14 y$ avs has been awarded to bands using our bells, a'd on twelve of those occasions they have gainea the Serond Prize alsn.

## NOTIGE TO READERS, CORRESPONDENTS, ETG.

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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

## MR. FRED PITSTOW.

The subject of our illustration this week - Mr. Fred Pitstow, of Saffron Walden, Essex-is one of the best known figures and most popular ringers in the Eastern Countics. The pioneer of ringing in a family which has since become famous in the Exercise, Mr. Fred Pitstow is the embodiment of geniality and of enthusiasm for ringing, and to him more than to anyone it must be gratifying that the church where more than 40 years ago he began his ringing career, and to which he has through all this period remained faithful and devoted, is shortly now to have a peal of twelve bells. In his long connection with the art Mr. Ditstow has naturally had many interesting experiences, and it is a positive delight to hear him re-


Mr. Fred Pitstow.
count the ringing stories of his younger days, while the struggles which he, and his equally well-known brother, Nathan, made to advance in the Art would put many a present day ringer to shame.
Mr. Fred Pitstow's association with bells began when he was only ${ }^{15}$ years old, and at that time change ringing at Saffron Walden was at a lowebb. Bob Minor and Bob Major comprised all the change ringing that was done anywhere near his own village, except at Stansted, to which tower, nine miles away, Nathan and he often walked for a peal of Treble Bob Minor on a Sunday. Bennington was the only place where they could get Surprise ringing, and they went there as often as possible, and sometimes met the Bennington ringers at Braughing or Saubridgeworth to get a course or two of Double Norwich or Superlative. But the desire of the brothers

Pitstow to advance was unquenchable and time and distance were obstacles which were seldom allowed to stand in the way. Mr. Fred Pitstow was frequently ringing in London or the country with the Cumberlands, in company with George Newson and his band. As an example of the way in which Mr. Pitstow made opportunities for progress, we may mention the occasion when, within the space of a fortnight, he rang a peal of Cambridge, at St. Giles, London; Superlative at Duffield; London Surprise at Burton; Stedman at Burton and Double Norwich at St. Giles, all of them at the first attempt, and without any practice whatever except the periodical visits to the Bennington men.

After this a young band was got together at Saffron Walden, and they succeeded in ringing the first peal of Cambridge Surprise in the Eastern Counties and in Cambridgeshire, and the first peals of London and Superlative in Essex. Mr. Pistow also took part in the first peal of Superlative in London, and conducted the first peal of Treble Ten on the Norman Tower bells, Bury St. Edmunds, and at Thaxteci, at both of which places the bells had been hung over a hundred years. He also conducted the first, and, up to now, only peal rung on that wonderful ring at the Catholic Church, Cambridge. Mr. Pitstow joined the Essex Association in 1886, and rang in the first peal of Treble Ten at Chelmsford and the first peals by the Essex and Yorkshire Associations in London. He is District Master of the North-Western District of the Essex Association, and is also a member of the Royal Cumberland Youths, the Midland Counties, Norwich Diocesan, Ely Diocesan and Middlesex County and other associations, and only a few weeks ago was made an hon. member of the Cambridge Youths as a mark of appreciation of what he had done for them. Unfortunately Mr. Pitstow has kept no exact record of his peals, but they number over 200 from Maximus downward. He has conducted a great many of them, and we hope to see him doing still more when the peal of twelve is installed at Saffron Walden.

Although not so well known as a composer as his brothern Nathan, Mr. Fred Pitstow has nevertheless gone considerably into this side of the Art and has peals of Surprise, Double Norwich, Treble Bob, etc.

But devoted as he is to ringing, Mr. Pitstow has another hobby, which takes up a good deal of his time. He is an accomplished musician and we see him in our illustration as the bandmaster of Saffron Walden Town Band. His ability as a wielder of the conductor's baton may be judged from the fact that he has conducted all the standard oratorios, including " Elijah," "'St. Paul," "The Creation,"; "Judas," "Samson,". "The Messiah," "Asis and Galatea," and other works. Indeed, while in the ringing Exercise Mr. Pitstow is looked up to and esteemed, in his native town of Saffron Walden he is veritably an " institution."

## WEIGHT OF WEDMORE TENOR.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-I noticed in "The Ringing World " that the weight of Wedmore tenor is put at 38 cwt.. but I think 33 cwt. to 34 cwt . would be nearer the mark, for the following reasons: Wrington tenor weighs 37 cwt. (not $37 \frac{1}{2}$ as published in your issue of the 7th). I saw her weighed. I have measured Wedmore tenor, she is $56 \frac{3}{4}$ inches in diameter; Wrington is $58 \frac{1}{2}$ inches. Wedmore tenor is $3 \frac{3}{3}$ inches thick at the sound bow; Wrington is 4 inches thick at the samo place, and she is also a longer bell. I think these facts will speak for themselves. All credit to the band who rang the first peal at Wedmore. The footnote to the peal is all too true--Yours truly,

JOHN H. B. HESSE.

## ODD CHANGES.

Rickmansworth bells, which are being erected by Messrs. Warner and Sons, are to be dedicated on Sunday. A peal of eight has been provided and hung in a frame made for ten.

The 74th birthday ${ }^{*}$ of that ${ }^{*}$ veteran ${ }^{*}$ ringer, Mr. Villiam Rock Small, of Tipton, was appropriately celebrated last week with a peal of Stedman Triples, recorded elsewhere. Mr. Small is held in high esteem in the Midlands, and we hope he will live to receive many more such "birthday compliments" as that which was offered at Tipton. Mr. Small has rung about 320 peals in methods from six to twelve bells, including over a hundred of Stedman.

The celebration of Mr. James George's 6oth birthday is to extend throughout the whole of next week, and no fewer than ten peals, in which about 50 ringers will take part, have been arranged under the auspices of the St. Martin's Guild. One of the peals, that on November 24th, will be at Coseley, Staffs, when Kent Treble Bob Major will be attempted by the same band that rang one at the same church on that date 20 years ago. It will be the same composition and the ringers will stand in the same order. The week will be wound up with a social gathering in Birmingham. We hope Mr. George will have a "record" birthday, and ringers throughout the country will wish him " many happy returns of the day."

Congratulations to the Bolney (Sussex) band upon their peal of Bob Major. It was the first peal of Major by all the band, and was rung at the first attempt. The footnote to the peal also informs us that it is the first peal of Major on the bells by a local band for 68 vears. Those who know the isolation of Bolney will appreciate the merit of this performance, for few bands can have less facilities for meeting at other towers to advance in the Art. "Five miles from anywhere" is a description that well applies to Bolney, and much credit is due to the brothers Walder for the way they have kept the Art alive in such an out of the way village.

The Cambridge Youths can claim to be one of the oldest of our ringing societies, but it was not until a week or so ago that they rang Cambridge Surprise. The first performance in this method was at Old Chesterton, when 720 Cambridge Minor was rung by W. B. Kempton I, F. Dench 2, A. Wilkerson 3, T. R. Dennis 4, F. E. Kempton 5, W. D. James (conductor) 6. This is another evidence of the revival of this ancient society, which is now being brought about.

## NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-It is an old legal maxim that the defenee which has no case should blackguard the plaintifi's attorney, but it is of doubtful efficacy. Let mo point out once more, and for the last time to Mr. Dains, that I have never attempted to adjudicate. Granted he and his friends scored a strong point in showing that the 6048'G of Major could be reduced to 5040 of Royal by the simpit insertion of a bob, it must be confessed on the other side that their contention is enormously weakened by the fact that the four peals so redueed become two, and can be said to belong to four composers only by straining the meaning of words. Without adopting a partisan attitude, I was perfectly justified in referring to this, and witla all respect to Mr. Dains' years it is childish to lay a charge of ignorance against me for seeing there are two points of view to a very complicated problem. This is the origin of our difference, and $I$ see no advantage in continuing the discussion along the side issues that have been raised.-Yours etc.
Hilbeton Vicarage.
E. S.' POWELL.

## SHOREDITCH BELLS. MORE ABOUT THEIR HISTORY.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-Sesing in this week's "Ringing World " that information is asked for by Mr. J. R. Jerram; may I be allowed to sny that we have no records of the recasting of our trebles in 1823, but that they were recast in that year is quite evident. I have lately written the history of Shoreditch Church, and it will soon bo publiohed. This work will include a complete history of the bells and also the list of peals rung upon them. In looking up the matter for the bells, I found an entry in the churchwardens minutes in 1805 to the effect that permission had been given to the Cumberland Youths to place in the tower two small bells, provided that the church authorities should be put to no expense. In the Cumborland peal books we find the following :-

St. Leonard, Shoreditch.
Monday, Nov. 30th, 1807, the Society of Cumberland Youths rang in that steeple, a compleat peal of Grandsiro Cinques, consisting of 5,390 changes, in 4 hrs. 2 mins., being the first peal on the twelve bells, as this was the opening of the peal
The performers were: Geo. Gross 1, William Shipway 2, James Nash 3, Js. Stitchbury 4, Anthony Carlier 5, Peter James 6, John: Flints 7, William Stephens 8, Thos. Smith 9, James Purser 10, Philip Pilgrim 11, James Marlsen 12. Composed and called by Geo. Gross.

From the above, there can be no doubt that the belle were placed in the tower in 1807, and the only explanation I can think of is that the bells were a bad splice (as was the case up to the present restora tion), and an attempt was made to remedy this by recasting in 1823.
It is not generally known that Queen Elizabeth stopped outside Shoreditch Church to admire the bells, sce Nicoll's "Progresses of Queen Elizabeth.
It may also interest many ringers to know of a peal that was rung at Shoreditch in 1746, though I do not know by what society, but should think it must have been that one rung by the London Scholars as a welcome to the Duke of Cumberland on his return from Culloden In a little book ins Shoreditch Library, entitled "Dawson's Diary " may bo found the following: "October 18th, 1746.-A peal of Bob Majoi ( 683 changes) were rung on Shoreditch bolls."
If any ringer would like a copy of the history of the churoh shall be glad to send one immediately it is publiehed. - Yours truly,

ILERBERT J. BRADLEY.
Mr. J. D. Matthews also sends extracts from the Cumberland's peal books, as follows:-

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Decomber 9th, 1809, 6000 Treble Bob Maximus, composed and calt by Mr. Geo. Gross.
May 19th, 1823, 5213 Grandsire Cinques, in 3 hrs. 47 mins., " being the first on the bells," called by G. Gross.
February 22nd, 1803, 5024 Treble Bob Eight in, called by Geo. Gross senr.

Note.-On the 3rd May this year (i.e., 1803. Mr. Gross, senr., who hav served the society as their warner more than 20 years, dicd,

He was succeeded in the office by his only son, Mr. Geo. Gross.
(This peal on February 22nd was the last by G. Gross, senr.)
It is clear from these notes that the two peals of Grandsire Cinque were called by the sams man, and each is claimed as the first on th bells, the 1st 1807, the 2nd 1823. A note in an old book gives the dat of casting in May, 1807, and the only conclusion to be drawn is that for some reason or wther there was a recast. Mr. Geo. Gross, senr. died before Shoreditch had twelve, and as both the " first peals" of Grandsire Cinques were calied by his oon, had the first been fals' there would surely be an explanatory note in the peal book. There can be no doubt that the trebles were given by the Cumberlands in 1807. and some twelve months ago I sorted this out at the request o Mr. Bradley, who had noticed the discrepancy, and was forced to tb. same conclusion now published by Mr. Jerram.

It is interesting to note that Chipwav rang in the first peal; and in addition to the conductor, P. Jones and T. Nash rang in both.

## BIRMMNGHAM AND SHEFFIELD MEET.

An interesting incident happened at the opening of Shoreditoh bells During the evening a party of six ringers from Birmingham visiterl the tower and found among the large company already in the belfry six of their Sheffield friends. It was immediately suggested that they should join in a touch, and an excellent three leads of Treble Twelve was rung by the following: P. O. Laflin (Birmingham) 1, J. Thorp (Sheffield) 2, J. Neal (Birmingham) 3, G. Holmes (Sheffield) 4, T. Miller (Birmingham) 5, J. Evinson (Sheffield) 6, S. Grove (Birmingham) 7, I. Charlesworth (Sheffield) 8, S. F. Palmer (Sheffiold) 9, A. Paddon Smith (Birmingham) 10, W. Burgar (Sheffield) 11, J. E. Groves (Birmingham) conductor, 12. All the above ringers are well known to each other, the Birmingham and Sheffield men having exchanged visits on several occasions, but this meating was entirely accidental, and it was remarkable that an equal number of men from places as far apart as Birmingham and Shefficl should. without prearrangement, meet togelher in a touch in a London belfry.

## Chelmsford Cathedral.



The new ring of 12 bells (Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs.) for Chelmsford Cathedral was dedicated by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans on Saturday, September 27th, 1913.

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## ANOTHER PEAL OF TWELVE.


#### Abstract

NEWCAŚTLE CATHEDRAL BELLS TO BE INCREASED. Newcastle Cathedral is to have a peal of twelve bells, and the -announcement will donbtless be received with enthusiasm by ringers in the two far northern dioceses. To increase the peal of ten at St. Nicholas has long been the ardent desire of the President of the DurTham and Newcastle Diocesan Association (Mr. C. L. Routledge), and the awakening of interest caused by the visit of the Central Council at Whitsun has afforded the opportunity to reatise the cherished ambition. The Cathedral Guild have taken the matter in hand, and they intend to do it "on their own "-a fact upon which they are entitled to the lighest commendation. No appeal for assistance is to be made either of a parochial or diocesan mature, neither will the Cathedral authorities, in their corporate oapacity, at any rate, be cailed upon. Between $£^{40}$ and £45 has been promised among the members of the Cathedral Guild, and it is hoped that it may be possible to get the bells in by next Easter This affiords a splendid example of the efforts which ringers are ready to make to forward the Art while adding to the value of the church's possessions.


## THE LADIES' GUILD.

## MEETING AT READING.

A most successful meeting of the Southern District was held in Reading on Saturday, whent, by the kindness of the various clergy, three towers were open for rihging, viz., St. Peter's, Caversham; St. Laurence and St. Giles', Reading. At Caversham, where the ladies were met by members of the Iccal band, touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples wera rung by eight ladies. Miss Parker conducting. and also touches of Superlative and London Surprise by mixed bands.
An excellent tea was provided at the Rising Sun, to which sisteen ladies and five gentlemen sat down. This was followed by a business meeting, with Miss Parker in the chair. Members were present from Goring, Reading, Cranleigh, Bradfield, Maidenhead, Bucklebury, Abingdon, Basingstoke, Edmonton, Yateley and Bramley, Hants.Eight new members were elected, and Miss Parker announced that Mr. J. Beams, of Banstead, had offered to present a peal book to the Ladies' Guild, and to write in the first peal, which ofter was gratefully accepted.
Various towers were proposed for the next district meeting, but it was finally left to the committee to decide.-Votes of thanks to the clergy for the use of the bells, to the local ringers for their kindly welcome and assistance, and to Miss Goodship and Miss Belcher for making all arrangements for the meeting, terminated the business pro-ceedings.-st. Laurence tower was then visited, but as it was market day the visitors were only able to make a short stay. Ten ladies took part in rounds, and a course of Grandsire Caters was rung by a mixed band. The evening finished at St. Giles', where a hearty welcome was received from Mr. Osborne and other friends. All agreed that a most successful meeting lad been held, and for the first time in the short history of the Guild, a meeting without rain!

## NORTHANTS NEW PEAL.

The bells of Tichmarsh, Northants, have been recast and rehung in a new steel and iron frame in memory of the late Rev F. M. Stopford, for over 50 years Rector of the parish. The work has been very successfully carried out by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of the Croydon Foundry, who have tuned the new peal on the Simpson fivetone primeiple, and carried out some renovations to the clock strike and chiming hammers. In addition, a new floor has been placed in the belfry, and repairs to the tower have been effected. The total cost of the work has been $\subseteq 421$, the whole of which was raised before the Bishop of Peterborough dedicated the bells on All Saints' Day. The new ring has a tenor of 17 cut. 3 or. 22 lbs., in $E$, and has given the greatest satisfaction. The total weight of metal in the bells is 70 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lbs.
The ringing of the bells during the dedication service was done by the Tichmarsh band, with Mr. Geo. Jeffs as leader, and afterwards an opening trouch was rung by members of the Central Northants Association: W. Gray (Higham Ferrers) 1, L. Wyman (Thrapston) 2, H. Stubls (Raunds) 3, R. Turner (Kettering) 4, F. Wilford (Northampton) 5, J. Nickerson (Thrapston) 6, D. J. Nicholls (Kettering) 7, G. Jeffs, conductor (Tichmarsh) 8. Touches were afterwards rung by other :bands. about a dozen towers being represented.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A successful meeting of the Northern District was held on Saturday at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, touches in various Standard methods being rung. Afterwards the members adjourned to "The Citizen," Houndsditch, where the business meeting was held. Mr. J. Rayner having kindly brought a set of handbells, a course each of Stedman and Grandsire Triples was rung, and several tunes given. Besides tapping three leads of Treble Bob Maximus and a course of Grandsire Triples on the piano, Mr. T. Groombridge, junr., nccompanied a number of well-rendered songs. A pleasant evening was spent.
The officers of the district take this opportunity of asking members to make a special effort to attend the annual meeting in January.

## CELEBRATING A RESTORATION.

A very pleasant evening was spent by the ringers of Holy Trinity, Guildford, on Monday last, when, at the invitation of the Rector (Rev. E. C. Kirwan), they gathered round the festive board at Brett's Restaurant to celebrate the completion of the recasting and rehanging of the bells and the commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the church itself. After an excellent repast, the evening was devoted to a whist drive, and during an interval Mr. C. Hazelden voiced the thanks of the company to the Rector and ehurchwardens for all that they had done in connection with the restoration of the bells. When the bells were first put in the tower, he said, they were put there in a time of extreme difficulty, when people were more occupied in learning to fight than in learning to pray. It took 23 years to raise the money to build the parish church of Holy Trinity, yet they bult a tower, and some worlhy cilizens placed in it a peal of bells, reputed in their time to be the best the age could produce. These bells had now lately been restored. Two years ago it was found that the bells were no longer fit for ringing. There was considerable difficulty in raising the money for their restoration, but this was accomplished by the skill and patience of the Rector, and they thought all their difficulties were at an end on December 29th last, when the bells were dedicat.d. Buit that was only the beginning of their anxiety, and it was found necessary to take out the whole of the work and reorganise it. The founders had now heen perfectly successful, and the ringers liked to think that the bells as they now hung represented the highest and best and the greatest the age could produce (hear, hear). They were now in perfect condition. The Rector and churchwardens had displayed the greatest interest in the carrying out of the work. They would have nothing that was second-rate, and in the bells, as in other things at Holy Trinity, they had the best (applause).
The Rector, in responding, said he and the churchwardens grite realised that they had got a famous belfry, but what they appreciat d even more than the actual ringing was the fact that they had kehind them a loyal band of ringers. They always thought of them as churchworkers, and appreciated the work they did. He hoped nothing more would be required in the belfry just yet, as there was a limit eren to extracting money (laughter).
Mr. Churchwarden Lunn also responded, and reiterated what the Rector had said as to the loyalty of the ringers. The way in which they worked was a commendable example to some other churchworkers, and if they were all as enthusiastic in the discharge of their duties as the ringers they would be even more successful at IIoly Trinity. The Rector and churchwardens were glad the ringers were pleased pith the bells, and they were glad to bo able to say how pleased they were with the ringers.
Afterwards the whist drive was continued. During the evening the handbells were brought into use, and a song was given by Mr. Ward.

## ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.

The above society assembled at Rolvenden on Saturday, members attending from Rye, Hawkhurst, Stone-in-Oxney, Benenden, Tenterden, Salehurst, and the local tower. Unfortunately, the party was not strong enough to attempt anything more than Grandsire Triples, but the ringing was thoroughly enjoyed. The touches were conducted by Messrs. Tribe, Lambert and Burden, and Master W. Tickner, of Tenterden, rang his first touch away from his own tower

The Master (Mr. G. Billenness) was prevented at the last moment attending the meeting, and Mr . C. Tribe was voted to the chair at the business meeting. It was decided to attempt a peal of Bob Major at, Rolvenden on Sunday, December 14th, and Mr. W. HI. Lambert will arrange the band, the peal being attempted on the cocasion of his birthday:

Stone-in-Oxney and Woodchurch were proposed for the December meeting, and the former was carried by one vote. The meeting will $b \rightarrow$ helá on the 13th of the month.-A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells concluded the business, and the ringing terminated by lowering the bells in peal.

## NORTHOWRAM'S NEW BELLS.

The Church of St. Matthew, Northowram. Yorks, has just had added to it by the munjficence of Mr. S. L. Watkinson a tower, bells and clock. The bells have been cast and hung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, whose work is a splendid credit to the foundry. The tenor is 15 cwt. 3 qrs. 16 lbs., and the total weight of metal in the peal, 59 cwt . 3 qrs. 21 lbs. The dedication was performed by the Archdeacon of Halifax, who preached an appropriate sermon, and in the course of the service the clock was started by the donor. After the service, the Lightcliffe Parish Church ringers opened the peal by "volleys " on the bells, and a touch of Treble Bob. Afterwards touches were rung by ringers from Halifax, Lightcliffe Congregational, Low Monr, Guiseley, Brighouse, Earlsheaton, Shipley, Ripponden. Calverley, Bolton, Bradforl, Pudsey, Folbeck, Walsden, Birstall, Mirfield, etc.

The clock, supplied by Messrs. W. Potts and Sons, of Leeds, has threa skeleton dials 5 ft . in diameter, with gravity escapoment and Westminster chimes.
A new band of ringers has been formed at the church, and Mr. Albort Jagger has undertaken their instruction.

THE LOUGHBOROUGH LONG PEAL

## dedication of the 'rablet recording the world's

 RECORD.With our Iast issue we gave an illustration of the very fine bellmetal tablet which has been generously erected in the Parish Church, Loughborough, by Messrs. John and Denison Taylor, the founders of the ring of bells upon which, on Easter Monday, 1909, was rung the famous peal of 18,027 Stcdman Caters, which created, and still remains, the world's record. It had been intended to unveil the tablet on All Saints' Day, as being the most fitting, seeing that the peal was rung at All Saints' Church, but events occurred to cause a post ponement. But on Saturday last the interesting ceremony took place. Soon after 2 p.m., the ten bells were rolling Stedman Caters and Treble Hob Royal across the town and doing their best to assert their supremacy over tho steam organs of the local pleasure fair. Visitors to about 45 in number turned up from Birmingham, Chesterfield, Derby, Noltingham, Lcicester and Grantham, and the bells were busy until threo n'clock.-Canon Pitts, M.A., Rector, then read the prayers suitable for the occasion, and addressed those gathered about the uave where the tablet is placed. In his remarks, the reverend gentleman where the tablet is placed. In his remarks, the reverend gentleman the church. It was a marvellous performance, and will be an incentive for ringers in ages to come." In his opinion, he added, it was a proof of how perfect a body of men could become by rigid discipline. He was sorry only three of the band could get down for the ceremony, but one thing he wished to impress-that these ringers not ouly rang to accomplish something remarkable, but they could be found every Sunday calling God's folk to prayer, and when ringers recognised their first duty, he was glad to allow the bells for the exercise of their prowess. He then called upon Mrs. J. Taylor to unveil the tablet.
Mr. John Taylor said, as bellfounders, they felt proud of what had been done. Being of bell metal, the tablet would stand as long as the church, and be the same hundreds of years hence. Looking back to the day of the peal, he still considered it an enormous feat, and could only be equalled by sound minds in sound bodies.
Mr. W. Willson replied on behalf of the band, and thanked the Recior for his kind remarks, and Messrs. Taylor for the manner in which they had perpetuated the peal at no cost to the band.
The company then returned to the tower, where Caters, Royal and Superlativa Major were rung till five o'clock when all assembled at the bell foundry, where a splenclid meat tea was awaiting them, and to which full justice was done, the Rector presiding.
During the tea, Mr. Harry Withers, of Bournville fame, played merry airs on the carillon to the delight of the visitors, many of whom heard a carillon for the first time.
l?nging on the foundry bells included Stedman, Double Norwich Suprlative and Cambridge, the last being rung by the following cosmopolitan band: S. Wesley (Lenton) 1, A. Ward (Derby) 2, B. Knights (Chesterfield) 3, F. H. Lewis (Frodsham) 4, H. Withers (Birmingham) 5, IV. Wallace (Derby) 6, J. Wells (Birmingham) 7, W. Willson (Lcinster) 8. Altogether a most pleasant time was spent until the call
of the railway broke up the company. of the railway broke up the company.

## PEAL BOARDS UNVEILED

## PEAL AT BIGGLESWADE REGORDED

An interesting ceremony in connection with the St. Andrew's Society, Birgleswade, took place, after Matins, recently in the belfry of the Parish Church, when a handsome tablet of Austrian oak was unveiled commemorating the ringing of the first complete peal of Grandsir Triples on the bells following their restoraton last year. After an opening prayer by the Vicar, the Rev. R. S. Bagshaw, Mr. H. Franklin. churchwarden, unveiled the tablet on behalf of the Vicar, the charchwardens, and the congregation. He referred to the excellent work done by Mr. F. Blood in etarting and training the band of ringers, and deplored the loss which Biggleswade would sustain in his coming removal from the distriot.-The Vicar and Mr. F. Gee also spoke very highly of Mr. Blood's excellent work in connection with the St. Andrew's Society. Mr. F. Blood, in reply, thanked the speakers for their kind words. He should always remember the happy hours he had spent in the tower. What ho had done, however, was only carrying out the rules of their Association in furthering the art and science of rhange ringing. Te hoped the Biggleswade ringers would stick to their colours and work up a band which would continue to be a credit to the town. He hoped to return to the town at some time, and ring a peal with them.
The Vicar expressed his thanks to the maker and writer of the tablet. After this little ceremony, a touch of Grandsire Triples and a couree of Bob Major were rung. Mr. J. Church and Mr. L. Harlow kindly came over from Bedford for the occasion, but four who took part in the peal on August 9 th were prevented owing to the bad weather.
The inscription on the tablet is as follows:-.-" Bedfordshire Association of Ohange Ringers. Jubilate Deo. On Saturday, August 9th, 1913. a peal of Grandsire Triples, 5040 changes. was rung on the bells in this tower in three hours, twenty minutes. Ringers: John W. Barker 1, Tdward J. Hobhe 2, John Hare 3, Horace H. Smith 4, Charles A,
Pratt 5, Fred Blood 6, Wm. J. Mayers 7. Edward Hussey 8. Composed by J. J Parker condum. J. Mayers 7. Edward Hussey bolls, whioh were recast and rehung, and threc memorial bells given by
local residents to complete the octave, in 1912. Rev. R. S. Bagshaw Vicar ; H. M. Lindsell, C.B., Henry Franklin, churchwardens

Pour of the bells in Biggleswade tower date back to 1721, and bear quaint inscriptions showing that they were cast by Russell, of Wootton Possibly, a fifth bell existed at that period, and was replaced in 1806 by the present tenor bell. The octave was completed last year, by the addition of three bells, and the wholo peal tuned and hung on the most approved principles by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. The peal is now considered, for its weight, second to none in Bedfordshire.

## PEAL TABLEI UNVEILED AT PORTMADOC.

A special service was held in St. John's belfry, Portmacdc, on a recent Sunday for the purpose of unveiling a peal tablet, recording a peal rung to the memory of the late Mr. F.S. Percival, donor of the tower and bells. Mr. Percival was vice-president of the North Wales Association, and first president of the Portmadoc Guild. The service, which was attended bry the ringers and others, was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. J. E. Williams). The tablet was unveiled by Mr. P Percival, the present President of the Guild. The tablet, which is of black marblette, with engraved lettering, gilded in pure gold, was the gift of Mr. W. H. Evans, a member of the Guild, and bears the following inscription: " Portmadoc, Carnarvonshire. The North Wales Association. Ofl Thureday, December 26th, 1912, in 2 hrs .57 mins., at the Church of St. John, a peal of Grandsire Triples ( 5040 changes), Parker's Twelve-part, tenor 12 cwt.: *Jack McMillan, 1, *Harry McMillan 2, Cadwaladr Williams 3, *Jack Parsons 4, Harry Wakefield 5, John Owen (conductor) 6, $\dagger \mathrm{W}$. H. Evans 7, *Idris P. Thomas 8 . First peal of Triples. + First peal with a bob bell. First peal of Triples as conductor. Rung with the bells fully muffled, as a last tribute of respect to the late F. S. Percival, Esq., donor of the tower and belle, and first President of St. John's Guild. J. E. Williams. M.A. Vica

## DEATH OF MR. A. HUMPHREY, BROMLEY.

The Society of Bromley Youthe have lost one of their oldest members by the death of Mr. Albert Humphrey, one of their number, who passed away in the London Hospital, after a prolonged illness. He was only in his 36 th year, and had been a member of the society for 14 years. He was an excellent ringer in the Stankard methods, but owing to his duties (those of a postman) he was unable to attend as frequently as he wished, but he had rung 15 or 16 peals of Grandsire and Stedman. He was of a very happy disposition, and when in the company of ringers was always the life and soul of the party. His ready wit and smiliug face will be greatly missed by all with whom he came in contact. He leaves a widow and two young daughters to mourn their loss.
The bells of SS. Peter and Paul's Ctrurch were rung half-muffled on Sunday, November 2nd, and the funeral took place on the following Wednesday, at Plaistow Cemetery. Deceased was borne to his lasu resting place by his fellow postmen, of whom there were 70 present, together with most of the ringers from SS. Peter and Paul's Church. and St. Luke's, Bromley Common. There were many floral tokens of sympathy, including beautiful wreaths from SS. Peter and Paul's ringers, and one from St. Luke's band. After the sad ceremony. a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled at SS. Peter and Paul's Church, and afterwards the age of the deceased was tolled on the tenor. The ringers were: A. James, junr., 1. I. Emery 2, E. G. Filtness 3, S. Marshall 4, A. James, senr., 5, G. Huxley 6, G. Durling (conductor) 7, A. Bygrave 8. As a member of the Bromley band, Mr. Humphrey was of course a member of the Kent Comity Association.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The autumn meeting of Tonbridge District was held at Horsmonden on Saturday week, and was attended by about 25 members. Tea was provided in the Schoolroom by the kindness of the Rector (the Rev. H. F. Smith-Marriott) and the churchwardens.-The usual business meeting followed, the Rev. H. Smith-Marriott (curate) presiding. -The Chairman apologised for the absence of his father (the Rector), who, he said, was unable, owing to advancing years, to come out at night, but he welcomed the members to Horsmonden.
At the conclusion of the business, the District Secretary proposed votes of thanks to the Rector and churchwardens for the use of the bells, and for the excellent tea, to the chairman for presiding, and to Mr. E. Lambert for making the arrangements. -The motion having been carried, the Chairman, in replying, said he was told by their secretary that this was the first time a meeting had been held at Horsmonden. He was very pleased to meet the members, and hoped they would pay them another visit before long.-Mr. E. Lambert also responder, and the members then adjourned to the tower-altogether a very pleasant afternoon aud evening was spent.

Mr. John Cox lias been presented by his fellow ringers at St. Illtyd's Church, Bridgend, Glamorgan, with a pipe in case, and tobacco, as a token of csteem, on the occasion of his leaving the district. The presentation was made by the Master (Mr. Erans), and Mr. Cox suit ably replied. His genial disposition and ever ready help will he. sorely missed in St. Illtyd's tower.

## HARVEST FESTIVAL TOUCHES.

ISLEWORTH.- Infiddesex County Assaciation.-On Sunday morning October 5th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: E. Webb 1, G. A. Ransom 2, G. 佔iles 3, T. Beadle 4, C. J. Tricker (conductor) 5, E. Dewey 6, W. H. Tidbetter 7, H. Beadle 8. For afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 ming.: E. Webb 1, G. A. Ransom (conductor) 2, W. H. Besamont 3, T. Beanle 4, C. Bind 5, E. Dewey 6, J. P. Kent 7, G. Miles 8; and for evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples, conducted by E. Dewey (Redhill):
LEYTONSTONE.-At St. John the Baptist's Church, on October 5th, 720 Cambridge Surprise: H. Saffell 1, A. Fiddlis 2, A. Prior 3, W. Miller d, G. Dawson (oonductar) 5, II. Torble 6. 720 Carlisle Surprise: J. Scholes 1, W. Theobald 2, G. Dawson 3, C. W. Clarke 4, W. Miller (corrductor) 5, H. Torble 6. 720 London Surprise: J. Moule 1, W. Milter 2, H. Turble 3. G. Dawson 4, W. Theobald 5, C. W. Clarke (conductor) 6. On October 5th, for morning service, at All Saints'. West Fram, two counses of Kent Treble Bob Major: W. Theobald 1, A. Scrambler 2, I. Cranfeld 3, J. Scholes 4, W. Truss 5, F. Newman 6, G. Hayden 7, C. W. Carke, Bedford (conductor), 8.

CHESHUNT, HERTY.-On Thursday, October 2nd, a guarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, conducted by G. Radley.-On Sunday, October 5th, for morning service, a quarter-pesl of Grandsire Triples, composed and conducted by II. G. Rowe. Also for evening service, a quarter-peal of Guandsire Triples: G. Andrews 1. H. G. Rowe (conductor) 2, W. G. Darlington 3, G. Maxim 4, F. Jelf 5. H. Simmons 6, C. Dilley 7, R. Smith 8. A touch of 518 was rung after service, conducted by H. Simmone. The society has now rung 30 quarter-peals, 27 of which hare been for sarrices in the chureh.

OATLANDS PARK-On Sunday, October 12th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1264 changes), in 45 mine.: *G. Warinton 1, F. Shepherd 2, F. Shepherd, senr-, 3, H. Stevens 4. *C. Tricker 5, *A. E. Gray 6, G. Spencer 7, B. Hessey (composer and first attempt as conductor) 8. "First quarter of Major
BROMLEY, KENT.-At SS. Peter and Paul's Church, 1056 Bob Major: A. E. Newich 1, G. Durling 2, C. Tigwell 3, F. Herbert 4, A. James, senr., 5, A. Bygrave 6, I. Emery 7, S. Marshall (oonductor) 8; and after evensong, 504 of Sterlman Triples: I. Emery 1, A. E. Newick 2, A. James 3, S. Marshall 4, G. Huxley 5, A. Bygrave 6, G. Durling 7, H. Elmer (Boxford, Suffolk) 8.
ERENSHAM, SURREY.-At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, October 5th, for eveving serrice, 720 Grandsire Doubles: H. Mills 1, A. J. Chuter (conductor) 2, J. Fowler 3, H. J. Chaffey 4, II. Rendell 5, W. Dedman 6. Great credit is due to J. Fowler, who is only 14 years of age, this being his first 720 .
BASTNGSTOKE, HANTS. - On October 12th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Harold White 1, F. Wilson 2, F. Hansford 3, W. IIunt 4, J. Ward (conductor) 5, A. Burgess 6, H. White 7, J. Ballard 8. TTPTOX, STAFFS. On Sunday, Sept. 28th, at the Parish Church, in 43 mins, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: S. Corbett (longest length) 1, W. R. Small 2, F. S. Smith 3,' E. Smith 4, J. Small 5, J. Screen (conductor). 6, A. Rowley 7, J. Ray 8.
RUGBY.-St. Andrew's Society.-On Sept. 29th, a quarter-peal of Stedmar Triples (Thurstans), in 49 mins.: Robert W. Jesson (first quarter-peal and frst attempt) 1, B. W. İeywocd 2, W. Malins (conductor) 3, H. O. White 4, W. Taylor 5, J. George 6, J. A. Fenton 7, C. E. Joynes 8.

HULL. - Yorkshire Association. - On Oct. 3rd, at Holy Trinity Church, 1169 Grandsire Caters: F. Dale 1, T. Morton 2, C. Jackson (composer and conductar) 3, H. Redmell 4, F. Merrison 5, J. Highfield 6, J. Hodds 7, G. T. Miller 8, D. W. Brown 9, J. Chamberlain 10.
SUTTON-ON-HULE.-On Tuesday, Oct. 28th, at St. James' Church 720 Kent Troblo Bob Minor: C. Jagkson (conductor) 1, R. Rodmell 2, J. S. Calvert 3, H. Rodmell 4, L. Rodmell 5, A. E. West 6.

ACTON.-At St. AIary'e Church, on Sunday, Oct. 5th. a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins.: *H. Holloway 1, J. W. Fruin 2. W. Fhillips 3, H. W. Cotton 4. R. Halloway 5, V. Holloway 6, J. R Mackman (conductor) 7, J. R. Sims 8. * Longest length.
UCKFIETD.-Sussex Association-On Oct. 5th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mine: F . Wren 1, F. Tester 2, W. Burrell 3, A. J. Pierpoint 4, A. Causley 5, J. A. Hart (conductor) 6, W. Jenner A. Cosham 8.

SFIERFIELD. HANTS.-On Sept, 28th, for morning service, 720 Grandsire Doubles: G. Maslen 1, F. Pearman 2, G. Herbert (conductor) 3, H. Draper 4, W. Begnett 5, J. Ilsley 6. For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1260 changes), in 40 mins.: J Jlsley 1. F. Pearman 2, T. Greenaway 3, F. Draper 4, W. Bennett (con ductor) 5 , G. Herbert 6.
WARBLETON, SUSSEX.-On Oct. 3rd, 360 Bob Minor: *G. Robins 1, J. Brett 2, P. Barrow 3, G. Dann 4, *W. Humphrey 5, W. Booth (conductor) 6. * First 360.

HARBORNE, STATFS.-At the Parish Church, on October 4th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins., with the bells half-mufficd, as a tolken of respect to the late Mr. A. E. Baylise, who for many $\begin{gathered}\text { fears was Vicar's warden at IIarborne Church: W. H. }\end{gathered}$ Keys 1, G. W. Tilley 2, G. Hitchman 3, H. Pratt 4, A. T. Hyland (conductor) 5, A. J. Cartwright 6, A. Beachman 7, J. Such 8

## NOTICES.

IMPORTANT. - Correspondents and others should note that in future all communications to "The Ringing World" should be addressed to 9, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.--Rocindale Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Todmorden Unitarian on Saturday, November 22nd. Bells ready at Business meeting 6.30. - Joseph Ogden, Secretary, ${ }^{\text {r 3 }}$, Salts Street, Shaw, Oldham.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Norwood Green on Saturday, November 22nd. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea by invitation of the Rector (Rev. H. O. Valpole) in Biscoes Schools at 5.30.-HI. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Luton District.-A meeting will be held at Leighton Buzzard on Saturday, Nowmber 22nd, 1913. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcomed. - A. King, Honorary Sceretary, 6, Tavistock Crescent, Luton.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society). - A meeting for united practice and sociai intercourse will be held on Thursday, November 27th, at St. Paul's, Hammersmith, W. Tower open from 7.30 p.m. to 9.30 . All ringers welcome.-F. J. Hardy, Hon. General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch.-A branch meeting will be held at Colne on Saturday, November 29th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at St. Giles-in-the-Fields on Saturday, November 29th. Bells available from 3.30. Short service at 5 , to which all ringers are earnestly invited. Tea at the Church House, Dyott Street, at 5.30, by the kind invitation of the Rector (Rev. W. H. Davies), to those who advise me, by the 26th, of their intention of being present. Business meeting after tea. The bells of St. James', Clerkenwell, will also be available from $\bar{T} \cdot 3^{\circ}$ to 9 p.m.-C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.-A quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Blakenhall on Saturday, November 29th. Bells available at 40 'clock. Service in church 5 o'clock. A free tea will be provided for those only who notify me not later than Wednesday, November 26th. Business meeting afterwards.-Herbert Sheppard, Honorary Secretary, 66, Himley Road, Dudley.

THE HERTS ASSOCIATION. - A meeting will be held at Kings Langley ( 8 bells) on Saturday, November 2gth. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea, in the Institute, Ed. each. It is hoped that members will take this the first opportunity of visiting Kings Langley since augmentation from 6 to 8 bells.-H. Eden, Honorary Secretary, West District.
gUILD FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP. -The next quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Wellington on Saturday, December 6th, 1913. Ringing at 3 p.m. Business meeting at 5 p.m. Tea at
5.30 p.m.-Rev. H. B. Beckwith, Honorary Secretary, Ridgemount, Shrewsbury.

THE SHEFRIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. - The next meeting of this society will be held at Staveley on Saturday, December 6th. Church of St. John the Baptist, 8 bells, tenor 19 cwt., available 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. I shall be glad to receive at this meeting all outstanding subscriptions for 1913, particularly from unattached members. I would remind members of the new rule, by which all those who are two years in arrear now lose their membership. Also I shall be glad to receive any further donations towards the Eckington Bells Funds at this meeting, as this fund will shortly be closed.-J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, 38, Rutland Park, Sheffield.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (North Bucks Branch).-A quarterly meeting will be held at Bletchley, on Saturday, December 6th next. Service at 3 p.m. -Thos. Best, Secretary, Bletchley.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Ringing for Divine service at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields the first Sunday in the month, and at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, the third Sunday, both at 10 o'clock. Mreetings for practice at Shoreditch the second TVednesday and at St. Sepulchre's, Snow Hill, the fourth Wednesday in every month, at $7 \cdot 30$. -F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary.

SILIER WEDDING. - Parker - Batchelor. - On Covember 19 th, 1888, at St. Mary's Church, Storrington, Sussex, by the Rev. Gcorge Faithfull, James Parker to Susan Batchelor.
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The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two nam ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, posently oarried cut by you kas proved most successful, and given reneral satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualifed to indge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,

Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

WORK.

## CORRECTING AMERICAN IMPRESSIONS

Dr. Arthur H. Nichols, of Boston, who is doing such splendid work in the cause of ringing in the United States, has, by a timely article in a widely read American magazine, "The Nation," rendered further valuable service to the art. Among our cousins across the Atlantic a good deal of ignorance and misconception exists as to the practice of ringing, and the musical critic of "The Nation", having been pleased to call the art a "curious sport," Dr. Nichols thought it necessary to correct him, and this he has done very effectively. As the periodical reaches the very class of readers in every part of the States whom those responsible for ringing desire to appeal to, the article, concisely written, yet fully setting forth the advantages of the English style over the method generally adopted in America, should have no little influence in shaping opinion.

A few points quoted from the article should prove as interesting to our readers as to those less cognisant of the real facts who reside in the States. Dr. Nichols refers to the fact that the art has been cultivated in England for more than two centuries, and goes on to remark:-

It should be appreciated, by musicians at least, that scientific change ringing, designated in your columns as " a most singular sport, quite unknown here," is in reality a distinct branch of musio constructed on mathematical formulx and hence perfect from its inception. This remarkable discovery of producing with certainty on a set of bells all possible permutations, or sequences, of notes served to develop the full capacity and particularly the harmonics of the instruments, and thus awakened at once an interest in bell ringing and casting. The immediate result was that societies, or guilds, were formed for the study of the art, and have since continued to flourish. In England, therefore, as in no other country, there exists an impressire method of giving dignified utterance to occasions of festivity and mourning.

After alluding to what has been done in America, and showing the advantages of English methods of bell hanging over those adopted by American founders, Dr. Nichols adds :

Visitors to belfries are apt to manifest surprise at the moderate muscular force neoessary to guide heary bells, properly equipped, through the maze of an intricate peal. But it is the mental faculties which are chiefly engaged. Hence, the exercise is quite as appropriate for women as tennis, golf, or rowing. Indeed, one society in England is composed exclusively of that sex; and in illustration of their accomplishments it may be added that there has been recently unveiled in Christ Clrurch, Isle of Dogs, a tablet to record a successful peal of 5040 changes rung in three hours by eight ladies.
There are gratifying signs that this fascinating art which gives free scope to the intellectual faculties, and is also of value from an athletic standpoint, may receive more extended recognition in America. Its introduction nould insure a needed reform in the treatment of belfries, and present a novel recreation to those individuals who possess the physical organisation requisite for the apprehension of this particular music.

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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.
On Satarday, November 15, 1913, in Three Hoursand Tzenty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
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Thomas Baldwyn ... ... 2 Arthur S. Boar ... ... 7
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* First peal of Grandsire Caters. † First peal.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## CRAYFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, November 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St Paulinus,
A PEAL OF dOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 Changes ; Tenor $12 \frac{3}{3}$ cwt.
*William Floyd ... ...Tyeble John Wheadon ... ... 5 Reginald Brough ... ... 2 Frederick W. Richardson 6
*George Povey ... ... ... 3 William J. Jeffries ... 7 Isaac Emery $\ldots . . . . \quad \ldots \quad 4$ Edwin Barnett, Senr. ...Tenoy Composed and Conducted by Edwin Barnett, Senr.

* First peal of Double Norwich.


## LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 15,1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Laurence,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES ;
Tenor 10 葉 cwt.
Neville H. Widdowson...Treble *Joseph Bailey... ... ... 5
*R. Alean Hickton ... ... 2 *Joseph Hall ... Albert Coppock ... ... 3 J. Charles Dicken ... 7 Percival Pkice... ... ... 4 Frederick S. Price ... Tenor

Composed by Arthur Kinghts, and
Conducted by Neville H. Widdowson.

* First peal in the method. First peal of Oxford on the bells.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes, at the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES ;
Stedman H. Symonds ...Tyeble Thomas W. Garrard ... 5 William R. J. Poulson... 2 "James Martin ... †Victor Cornell ... ... 3 Arthur Symonds ... ... 7 †Alfred Perry ... ... ... 4 Thomas Pryke... ... .... ... Tenor Composed by J. A. Trollope, and

Conducted by S. H. Symonds.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal in the method. Messrs. Cornell and Martin hail from St. Waldingfield, and A. Perry from Sudbury. W. R. J. Poulson's 50th peal.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-cight Minutes, At the Churcif of St. Mary Magdalene,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

## Thurstans' Four-Part.

Fred Roope ... ... ...Treble
Charles Baker ... ... 2
Charles Baker … ... 2 William Roope $\cdot \cdots$...
Henry Garnham … ... 3 Fredk. R. Borrett ... 7
*Ernest Whiting ... ... 4 Edwin Wiriting ... ...Tenor Conducted by Fredk. R. Borrett,

* First peal in the method.


## BISLEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (Stroud and District Branch.)
On Sunday, November 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,


## TODMORDEN

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Rochdale Branch.)

- On Monday, November 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, At the Parish Churce,


## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.

* Luke Suthers ... ... ...Treble James Richards ... ... 2 *Frank Fielden... ... ... 3 Herbert Davenport • ... 4 Conducted by William Crabtree.
- First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. First peal in the method on the bells and first peal in the method by eight members of the Rochdale Branch.


## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

 THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Monday, November 17, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Bell Foundry Tower,A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

## Tenor 64 cwt .



> Composed by H. Dains, and Conducted by E. Reader.

+ First peal of Major.
CAVERSHAM, OXON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(St. Peter's Society, Caversham.)
On Monday, November 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE RAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;
Henry Tucker
Villiam J. Paice Hubert Hatto Richard T. Hibbert...

| .. | Tveble |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 2 |  |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 |  |
| .. | $\cdots$ | 4 |  |

## Albert D. Cullum Edwin J. Menday...

 Harry W S Ambrose Osborne ... Conducted by R. T. Hibbert.LAWTON, CHESHIRE
STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION. On Morday, November 17, 1913, in Tato Hours and Forty-cight Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;



## CHISLEHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, November 17, 1913. in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves' Variation of Parker's Tivelve-Part. Tenor I7 4 cwt.


* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal with a bob.

PRESTBURY. GLOUCESTERSHIRE
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wcdnesday, November 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor i4 cwt. Walter Yeend...
John austin John Austin ... $. . . \quad . . \quad 2$ Charles Tovey $\quad . .$. Harold Holford ... ${ }^{\text {... }} 3$ Ex-Sergt. J. Williams... 7 George H. Walters ... 4 Albert Martin ... ...Tenor Conducted by John Aostin.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## BRISTOL.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, November 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF STED fiAN TRIPLES; 5040 CHANGES;

Sir Arthur P. Heywood's No. I. Tenor 20 cwt .
*Frederick J. Porch ...Treble \| Villiam A. Cave ... :.. *Edward Guise ... ... ... 2 | George Condick, Junr. 5
6 *aymomd J. Wilkins ... 3 "Samuel J. Hector... ... 7 *George Tomkins ... ... 4 Harry Brownjohy... ... Téney Conducted by Wm. A. Cave.
*First peal of Stedman Triples. Arranged for Mr. S. J. Hector, of Trowbridge.

RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, November 19, 1913, in Three Hou's and Seven Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOUBLE HORwICN COURT BOR MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;
Tenor I7 cwt.


## HARPENDEN. HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Weincsiay, November 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-secen Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor is cwt.

| Herbert George Coburn...Tyeble | *Harry Day | ... | .. | .. | 5 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ralph Coburn | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | *Arthur Day | .. | $\ldots$ | .. | 6 |

 Conducted by Ben Jarman.
*irst peal. † First peal as conductor. First peal rung on the bells by a local band. The ringers of the 3 ril, 4 th and 5 th were .elected members before starting.

## PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, November 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor I4 cwt.


## LONDON

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
Or TVednesday, November 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John, Waterloo Road, S.E.,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 20 cwt.


## HEENE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Wednesday, Nowember 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Botolph,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES

Thorstans' Four-Part.
Tenor IOI c wt.

 | Harry Evans | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Edmund Lindop | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William Hillman | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 4 | †P. C. Leonard Levis...Tenor |  |  |  | Conducted by Edmond Lindup

* First peal of Stedman. † P. C. Lewis was elected a member previous to starting. This was his first peal on eight bells.

PENTRE, RHONDDA
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCTATION. On Thursday, November 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. Parker's Ten-Part. Tenor $26 \mathrm{cwt} 3 \mathrm{qr} .10 \mathrm{lbs} ., \mathrm{E}$ flat. Herbert Davies … ...Tyelle $\mid$ Thomas Hamlin $\quad .$. Tom Page ... ... ... ... 2 George Wines... ... ... 6 Harry Page $\quad . .$. George Cross ... ... ... 4 James Cross ... ... ... Tenor Conducted by Tom Page
First peal in the method on the bells; by all the band, and in Wales.

WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD
On Thursday, November 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thorstans' Four-Part.
Tenor 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Thomis Hughes ... ...Tyeble
*Edward Hordn ......$\quad 2 \quad$ Christopher Wallater... $\quad 6$ Albert Little ... ... 3 Frank W. Perrens... ... 7 Edgar Marlow ... ... 4 *James Adams ... ... ...Tenor

Conducted by Christopher Wallater.

* First peal of Stedman. Messrs. Marlow and Tyler hail from Wood Green and T. Hughes from Wednesbury, A. Little from Wolverhampton, while E.Hortin, C. Wallater, F. W. Perrens and J Adams belong to the local band.

SUNDERLAND
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, November 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Ignatius the Martyr,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGM COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 GHANGES
Tenor I3 cwt
*William Oxley ... ...Tyeble |†Michael F. Harrison ... 5
*George S. Taylor ... ... 2 Robert W. Lovie ... ... 6
*James Ayers ... ... ... 4 Joseph W. Parker... ... 7 Cecil O. Sayer ... ... 5 †Robert L. Patterson ...Tenok Composed and Conducted by Joseph W. Parker.

* First attempt for a peal of Major. † First attempt for a peal of Double Norwich. First peal of Major on the bells.

SOUTHGATE, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, November 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At Christ Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Holt's Original. Tenor 25 cwt., in D.
†Alfred G. Crane ... ...Treble ! Walter Soer ... ... ... 5
John Armstrong ... ... 2 Alfred J. Trappit ... ... 6
Herbert Armstrong … 3 Norman A. Tomlinson ... 7 Joimn W. Cornford ... 4 * George W. Fletcher ...T Tenor Conducted by John Armistrong.

* First peal, aged 17 years. + First peal away from tenor.

TUNSTALL, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, November 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 12 cwt I qr
John Darlington ... ...Tyeble | Walter R. Washbrook... 5.
George A. Smith ... ... 2 Samoel Grove ... ... 6
James E. Groves ... ... 3 |*Arthor A. Clay ... ... 7
*John Godber ... ... ... 4 James W. Washbrook, Jr.Tenon
Composed by Nathan Pitstow, and
Conducted by James W. Washbrook, Junr.

* First peal of Superlative. First in the method on the bells. Rung after the rehanging of two of the bells by Messrs. Barwell, Ltd., the work giving the greatest satisfaction to all concerned.


## PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, November 20, 1913; in Three Hours and Thrce Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES : Tenor If cwt. I qr. I6 lbs.
Frederick Roope ... ...Tyeble Charles Baker
Frederick R. Borrett ... 2 William Roope
Charles Roope ... ... ... 3
Henry Garnham ... ... Edwiv Whiting ERnest Whiting $\quad \cdots \quad \ldots$ Teron
Composed by Arthur Kinights, and Conducted by Frederick Roope.

## LONGSTANTON

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Friday, November 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Thivteen Minuters At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. ir lbs
William D. James ... ...Treble Rev. H. S. T. Richardson 5
Rev. A. H. F. Boughey... 2 J. Bruce Williamson ... 6 J. Howard R. Freeborn 3 | Rev.B.H. Tyrwiitt Drake 7 - Rev. H. B. Woolley ... 4 Rev. H. Law James ...Tenor Composed by B. Annable, and
Conducted by Rev. H. Law James.

* First peal in any method with a bob bell. First peal of Bols Major on the bells. Rung on first anniversary of dedication of bells.


## WHITBY, YORKS

THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Friday, November 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$. T. Steel

Wm. Breckon
Wm. Brickon ... ... ... 2 G. Hill ... ... ... ... 6

Wm. Knaggs ... ... ... 4 A. Coates ... ... ... ... Tenor

> Conducted by Wm. Breckon.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of John P. Pyman, of Raithwaite, near Whitby, to Miss Pyman, of Cardiff, the marriage taking place at Penarth on the above date. First peal on Whitby bells by an entirely local band.

DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 22, 1913., in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWYCH BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

## Tenor ig cwt. 2 qr. I4 lbs.



Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood, and
Conducted by George E. Symonds.

* First peal in the method. Composition No. 22 I C.C. Collection.

STREET, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Three Hou's and Three Minates, At the Church of Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPIES, 5040 CHANGES;

Hollis' Five-Part.
Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr.
Thomas Doble ... ... ...Treble Harry Parish .... ... ... 2 Henry J. Trim... ... ... 3 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Harry Fry... $. . . \quad . . . \quad .$.

Conducted by $G$.
Rev. W. M. IK. Warren 6 Gabriel Chamberlain ... 7.
Walter Farley ... ...Tenor Chamberlain.

- First peal with a bob bell.

BOCKING, ESSEX.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, November 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourtecn Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
a Peal of double horwich court sob major, 5088 fhanges ;
Tenor 183 l cwt.

Andrew Shufflebotham Treble I Frank Claydon | Frederick Radley | .. | ... | 2 | Ernest Nhwanan | .. | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Walter Sadler | $\ldots$ | .. | 3 | David Elliott | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 7 |

 Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by William Keeble. - First peal in the method.

## ROTHERHAM

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(1)n Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Stephen, Eastwood,
A PEAL OF 8TEENAK TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:
Sir A. Heywood's Variation of Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Miss Winifred iM. Hague Treble |*Thomas Smith ...
*Charles W. King... ... 2 Arthor Hague... Clement Glenn ... ... 3 | ${ }^{\text {Herbert Ludkin } . . .} . . .7$ John W. J. Cottam ... 4 *Joseph Drake ... ... ... Tenor Conclucted by Clemest Glenn.

## NEWMARIKET, CAMBRIDGESHIRE. THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor II cwt.
Frank E. Kempton... ...Tveble Abraham Wilkerson ... 5
*Reginald Lathbury ... 2 T. Reginald Dennis ... 6

| *L. George Mallion | ... | 3 | William D. James ... | ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |
| J. Bruce Williamson | .. | 4 | Frederick Dench | ... |
| ....Teno |  |  |  |  |

Composed and Conducted by Frederick Dench.

* First peal in the method. First in the method and quickest peal on the bells. W. D. James' fiftieth tower. The band wish to thank the Rev. Douglas Hamilton for the use of the bells, and Mr. Pindar for having everything in readiness.


## MORTLAKE, SURREY. <br> ST. MARY ABBOT'S GUILD, KENSINGTON. <br> On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Churce of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES; Tenor $\mathrm{r}_{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
William J. Daubney ...Treble| Clarence H. Dobbie ... 5 Ernest G. Stibbons ... ... 2 Archibald F. Harris ... 6 Walter G. Matthews ... 3 James R. Mackman ... 7 William A. Garrard ... 4 William E. Garrard ...Tenor Composed by Frederick Dench, and Conducted by William E. Garrard.

WHITWICK, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturduy, November 22, 1913, in Two How's and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPL조 5040 CHANGES;

Holy's Original.


* First peal.


## STAINES, MIDDLESEX.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seacn Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL QF GRARDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAUCES;
V. F. Sinkins ... ... ...Treble $\mid$ John J. Pratt ......

Alfred C. Fussell ... 2 Afthur Blake ... ... ... 6
Thomas T. Smith ... ... 3 George Martin ... ... 7 William A. Garraway ... 4 *Alfred Pether ... ... ...Tchor Conducted by George Martis.

* First peal on eight bells. This peal was arranged especially for Mr. Pether, in honour of his 58 th birthday. After the peal the band sat down to supper at the Bee Hive Hotel.

HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSFIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIAT: (Northern Branch.)
On Suturday, November 22, 1913, in Tw゙o Hours and Forty-Nine Min. : s.
At the Church of St. John,
A PEAL OF STED間AN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thurstans' Fodr-Part. Tenor ig cwt.
 George N. Cockin ... ... 3 Wilitam Fisher ... ... 7 Victor White ... ... ... 4 Adfred Hackett ... ...Tenof Conducted by R. Matthews,

SIX EELL PEALS.

## HUSBORNE CRAWLEY, BEDS. THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Novomber 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

## A PEAL OF BINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being 720 each of London and Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, London Scholars', Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 18 cwt 2 qr . 12 lbs .
Herbert L. Harlow ...Tyeble | John W. Barker ... ... 4
Miss Evelyn Steel $\quad . . .28$ Frank Webb $\quad . .$.
*Edmund J. Hobbs ... ... 3 Horace Smith ... ... ....Tenor Conducted by Horace Smith.

- First peal in seven methods. First peal in seven methods. as conductor.


## WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.

TAE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION:
On Tuestay, November 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes. At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF CABOR, 5040 CHANCES:
Being two $7^{20}$ 's of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Canterbury Pleasure, and three of Plain Bob, called differently. Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
John Spencer ... ... ...Treble | Ernest W, Hall ... ... 4
Aibert J. Nadnton..... $.2^{2}$ albert J. L. Naunton.... 5
William H. P. Mellin... 3 F Francis W. Naunton ... Tenor Conducted by Francis W. Naunton.
*First peal in three methods. Rung with the bells half muffled as a last tribute of respect to Canon Yerburgh, of Tewkesbury Abbey, brother of the Rector of the above church.

GREAT MUNDEN, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Wednesday, November 19, 1913, in Taio Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF RINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Duke of York, Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor iI cwt.
*William K. North... ...Treble| William H. Lawrence... 4
Hemry Wallace $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$.
Erxest Overall ... .... 3 Barnard Patmore ... ...tenor Conducted by Barnard Patmore.

* First peal.


## BARCOMBE, SUSSEX.

TIIE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On IVednesday, November 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-sight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
a peal of gramdsire dousles, 5040 changea;
Being 42 Six-Scores with nine different callings. Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lbs.

| Albert E. Anscombe | $\ldots$. Treble | Albert E. Edwards | $\ldots$ | 4 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frederick J. Martin | $\ldots$ | 2 | Wiliam | H. Banks... | .. |
| 5 |  |  |  |  |  | Luke Verrall ...... Conducted by Albert E. Edwards.

This peal was rung in honour of the marriage of Mr. William Harriot (formerly organist of the above church), now organist at Isfeld Parish Church, to Miss E. F. Norman, the happy event taking place at Cowfold Church on the above date. It was also rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. F. J. Martin.

## COLSTERWORTH, LINCOLNSHIRE. <br> THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> (Southern Branch.)

On Thursday, November 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,
A PENL OF bOB MINOR, 5840 CHANGES;
Tenor 9 cwt .

Walter Brittain ... ...Treble $9 \stackrel{\text { Cwril }}{ }$ Cril Wright... ... ... 4 | Charles Kelly ... | ... | .. | 2 | William Alexander | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Harry Watson ... | ... | ... | 3 | Arthur Skinns | ... | ...Tenor | Harry Watson ... ${ }^{\text {Conducted }} 3$ by Arthur Skinns.

This is the first peal on the bells by an entirely local band. First peal by Arthur Skinns as conductor, and the quickest peal on the bells.

## GEDNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Elloe Deaneries Branch.)

On Tharsday, November 20, 1913, in Thiree Hours and Thice Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

## A PEAL OF MIHOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of Single Court, Single Oxford, Double Court, DoubleOxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 17 cwt.. Harry V. Fletcher ...Treble Arthur J. Farr ... ... 4 Rev. C. J. Sturton ..... .12 George R. Truss ... ... 5 John B. Hallifax ... ... 3 R Rupert Richardson ...tenoy Conducted by Rupert Richardson.
This is the first peal of Minor on the bells, a new treble having. lately been added by Messrs. J. Taylor \& Co.,. of Loughborough.

## ELSTREE, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Parish Churcti,

## A PEAL BE Brator, bo40 CHANGE ;

Being 720 each of College Single, Canterbury $\mathrm{I}^{2 l}$ easure and Plain, Bob, and two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.
Arthur Titmuss... ... ...Treble $\mid$ Charles Jeffs ... ... 4. James Payne, Junr. ... ... 2 Richard Chalkley ... 5 Join Malyan ... ... ... 3 Frederick Jeffs ... ...Tenon Conducted by John Malyan.
First peal in five methods by all.

## HARROLD, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, Novenber 22, 1913, in Tavo Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Prter,

## A PEAL OF EINOR, 5040 CHAHCES;

Being three 720's of Oxford Bob and four 720 's of Plain Bob, eachs 720 being called differently. Tenor is cwt.
*Charles Ashton ... ...Treble William Stock ... ... 4 Joseph M'Grath Henry W. Guyton ... 3 Charles Wm. Clarke ...Tenou Conducted by Charles Wm. Clarke.

* First peal. All the ringers, with the exception of the conductor, belong to the local band.


## WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Novenber 22, 1913, in Two Hours aml Forty-seven Minutes,
At the Chlieq of St. Peter,
A PEAL EF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Canterbury Pleasure, and three of Plain Bob, called differently. Tenor 14 cwt .
Herbert G. Pratt ... ...Tyeble Albert J. L. Naunton... 4 Albert J. Naunton ... $. . .2^{2} \mid$ John Spencer....$^{. . .}{ }_{5}$ William H. P. Mellin ... 3 | Firancis W. Nadnton ...Temor Conducted by Francis W. Nadnton.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MIMOR, 5040 CHANGES ;
Being 720 each of Double Stedman Slow Course, Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single and Plain Bob.

| Frank Barrett ... | ... | Tveble | Frederick J. Hardy. ... | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | | Grorge M. Kilby | $\ldots$ | .. | 2 | Harry Kilby ... | .. | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Gabriel Chalkley | .. | $\ldots$ | 3 | Thomas Langdon | .. | $\ldots$ |
| Genor |  |  |  |  |  |  | Conducted by Thomas Langdon..

This is the first peal in seven plain methods on the bells, and by all the band.

## HORTON, BUCKS

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(East Berks and Socth Bucks Branch.)
On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being three 720's of Oxford Bob and two 720's each of Grandsire and Plain Bob.
Walter P. Cross ... ...Tveble Willam Henley ... ... 4 Ieonard Stilwell ... ... 2 George. H. Gutteridge... 5 Joseph J. Parker ... ... 3 James Blackmore ... ... Tenor Conducted by J. J. Parker.

## GROBY, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturtay, November 22, 1913, in Twe Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of SS. Philip and James,
A PEAL OF MAHOR, 5040 GHANGES:
In five methods, being 720 each of St. Clement's, College Single, and Grandsire, and two 720's eachEof Oxford Bob, and Flain Bob, Tenor $9 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Lovell Richards ... ...Treble | George H. Geary... ... 4
Edward Geary ... ... ... 2 Victor Geary... ... ... 5
Ernest Morris ... ... ... 3 Fred Staniforth ... ...Tenoy
Conducted by Ernest Morris.
Rung on the eve of St. Clement's Day.

GREAT TOTHAM, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
(The Maldon and District Guild.)
On Salurday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,

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

Being 720 each of Norwich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, New London Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford.

Tenor $7 \frac{1}{1}$ cwt.
Percy C. Sayer ... ...Tycble $\mid$ Walter Nice ... ... ... 4
Fred Chalk ... ... ... 2 George H. Neville ... 5
Horace J. Mansfield ... 3 John D. Buckingham ...Tenor Conducted by John D. Buckingham.

REDGRAVE, SUFFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Novemuer 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Botolph,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being three 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, three of Plain Bob and one of Double Court.
John Buck...
... ...Tyeble Charles Chenery ...
Charles Bailey
*James Bailey ..... .9 * First peal. Conducted by A. Bailey.

## OMBERSLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE

THE WORCESTER AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Western Branch.)
On Safurday, November 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8:

Being 720 each of College Single and Canterbury, two 720's of Oxford
Bob and three 720 's of Plain Bob. Tenor 20 cwt .
*Albert Atkins... ... ...Treble | George Hinton, Junr. ... 4 William Ranford ..... $.2^{2}$ Charles Beaman... Lionel Longney ... ... 3 | Gordon Checketts... ...Tonor Conducted by Lionee Longney.

* First peal of Minor. Mr. Atkins kindly took an absentee's rope at a moment's notice. First peal of Minor on the bells.

BRAMPTON ASH, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three. Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Comprising 720 of Woodbine and two 720's each of Oxford and Kent, Treble Bob, and Plain Bob. Tenor 133 坔 cwt.
J. Ediward Chapman ...Tyeble $\mid$ Harry Peet... *Ben. W. York ... ... ... 2 † Albert E. York ... ... 5 Frederick Kilborn... ... 3 Horace W. Sharman ...Tchor Conducted by Horace W. Sharman.

* First peal of Minor. + First peal in four methods with a bob bell.

WEST STOW, SUFFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
AND THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY, BURY ST. EDMUNDS. On Sunday. November 23, 1913, in Three Hours,

At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES ;

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, aud three of Plain Bcb, each called differently.

| Horace W. Foulger... | ...Treble | Frenerick G. Dewell 4 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Walter Radley... | ... | $\ldots$ | 2 | Robert Wid |

Walter Radley... ... ... 2 Robert Wilding ... ... 5
Frank J. Levitt ... ... ... 3 Harry R. Moore ... ... Tenoy Conducted by H. W. Foulger.
This is the first peal on the bells.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, November 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes, At i29, Bronswick Street, Hagrerston,
A PEAL OF STEDFAN CIHQUES, 5007 CHANGES;
*Miss Elsie L. Bennett I-2 $\mid$ Ernest Pye ......
William Pye ... ... 3-4 Frank r. Hairs ... ... ... 9-Io
George R. Pye ... ... 5-6 | Alfred W. Grines ... it-I2
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by William Pye. Umpire: F. Bennett.

* First peal of Stedman Cinques in land, and rung at the first attempt.


## SHEFFIELD.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wedue:day, November 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At 3i, Burgess Street,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5903 CHANGE
*George Hollis ... ... i-2 I- William J. Thyng $_{6}$... $5-6$
Clement Glenn ... ... 3 - 4 Arthur Knights ...... Arther Hague ... ... g-io
Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by Clement Glenn.

* First handbell peal of Caters.

CROYDON, SURREY.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Wednesday, November 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,
At the Residence of A. W. Clark,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGE ;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Herbert Langdon ... i-2 Challis F. Winney ... 5-6 Walter S. Wise ... ... 3-4 Amos W. Clark ... ... $\quad 7$ - 8

Conducted by Walter S. Wise.
Umpire: Walter G. Rowe.
Witnesses: Mrs. A. Ceark and Sydney R. Roper.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. A. Clark. It was also the Sth birthday of Winifred A. Wise, daughter of the conductor.

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## BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS. ST. ALBANS.

By J. R. Jerram.

The late Mr. Stahlschmidt, in his " Church Bells of Herts," gives a most exhaustive account of the Abbey bells from early time up to the present date, from which I have extracted the following:

The church was reluilt by Paul de Caen, r4th Abbot, in 1077. Mention is then made of his providing bells for the tower, but how many is not stated. Soon after this a nobleman named Lyolf, together with his wife, gave two more bells.
About I 300 we find that Roger Norton, Abbot, provided " a great bell, and a most sonorous one, called. by the name of St. Amphibalus," to be used as a curfew bell. Two more bells were added at the same time. Again; about 1340 two new bells were provided, and Amphibalus was recast. It must not be supposed that these bells formed a peal in any sense; but were probably odd bells arsed for different services.
to the ground, if they had not been, by the contrivance of the workmen, secured and bound by ropes and cords, and attached to the upper roof."

We find that in 1484 John Stoke, Abbot, when he was on his dying bed, bequeathed money for a great bell, called " John," and for new glazing of the cloister. We pass over a considerable period, during which there are numerous records of the bells being rung on special occasions. In 1699 we find there were five mediæval bells, dedicated respectively to Mary, Amphibalus, Alban, Christ, and John. These were broken up in that year and cast into a peal of six by Philip Wightman, a London founder. Four of these still remain, two have since been recast; and in 1730 two trebles were added by Phelps to make the present peal of eight, which are thus inscribed :-

## Treble.

C. \& G. MEARS FOUNDERS, LONDON. NATU MINOR LAUDE PRIOR.
H. J. B. NTCHOLSON, D.D., RECTOR.
R. BROOKS,
B. AGUTTER,
T. W. KENT,
(The original bell was by R. Phelps 1730 ).


St. Albans Cathedral.

In 1380 we have the following record of a supposed miracle: "Now the fourth day prior to the Feast of the Passion of the glorious martyr (St. Alban) was at hand, on which, according to the custom of the conduct of spiritual works, the Office of the Dead was said in the convent for the commendation of the late most invincible King of England, Edward of Wyndeleshores, when, as is the custom at such chief anniversaries, all the great bells were rung. Whilst they were being pealed, suddenly the bell which was the largest but one, and which was called Alban, becoming detached from its bearings, fell and broke the floor of the tower and two beams upon which the same bell then rested. Now was to be seen a fearful spectacle, the bell lying upon broken beams, which were unable to support themselves when relieved from the weight of the bell, and these becoming stronger as if from that immense burden, and so supporting it throughout the whole day, to the admiration of all beholders. But as soon as the bell had, by the skill of the carpenters, been lifted, the very beams which before had sustained it, proved unable, when lightened, to maintain their position, and being broken into pieces would have forthwith fallen

Second.
THES 2 LEAST BELLS WERE BOUGHT BY FREE GIFTS OF SUNDRY GOOD PEOPLE OBTAINED BY YE. REVI). Mr. IOHN COLE VIO: R: P: FEO: 1730.

Third.
MADE BY PHILIP TVIGHTMAN 1699
Fourth.
(Ditto)
Fifth.
RICHARD PHELPS inade me 1731.
Sixth.
thos. Kinder \& Whr hiunt \& Chrs. DOMville of: WARDENS 1758. LESTER \& PACK OF LONDON FECTT.

Seventh.
MADE BY PHILIP WIGHTMAN 1699 Tenor.
IEREMIAH CARTER IOHN COOKE CHURCH WARDENS IGgg.
VIVOS AD CELVM MORTVOS AD SOLVM PVLSATA VOCO made by philip wightyan lovdon.

Ting-Tang.
[No inscription].
The tenor is $52 \frac{1}{1}$ inches diameter, weight about 25 cwt .

There is a tablet in the belfry recording a peal rung in ${ }_{7} 765$.

The inscription on the treble "Natu minor laude prior" means " younger by birth but greater in merit." That on the tenor "I being struck call the living to heaven and the dead to earth.'"

## ODD CHANGES.

There is a family of ringers at Swanmore, Hants, and all are members of the Winchester Guild. On Sunday week the proud father (Mr. W. Linter) conducted his three sons and two daughters through 720 of Bob Minor on handbells, Miss May Linter r, Miss Ethel Linter (first 720 ) 2, Walter Linter (first with a bob bell) 3, Frederick Linter 4, Roy Linter (first 720 ) 5, Willian Linter (conductor) 6.

The Holy Trinity Guildford Company have retrieved their false peal of Guildford Surprise, by ringing the first true one in the method on Tuesday last.

His many friends in Manchester and district will be pleased to learn that Mr. Richard Newton, who has been holding a good position at Boston, U.S.A., is relinquishing it for an important confidential position in one of the prominent banks.

The young band at Colsterworth, an out-of-the-way Lincolnshire village, deserve congratulations upon having scored their first peal. Until the bells were increased to six about 18 months ago not one of them knew anything about change ringing, and the only instruction they have had has been some half dozen lessons by the Rev. H. Law James. Their success is, therefore, all the more creditable.

To celebrate the birthday of the veteran captain of St . Lawrence's tower, Reading (Mr. W. Newell), a peal of Stedman Caters was attempted, but, unfortunately, after 3 hrs. 27 mins. ringing the conductor found that a shift course had taken place. The ringers were: E. Holloway, W. J. Paice, H. White, R. T. Hibbert, F. Webb, C. Pullen, W. H. Fussell, A. Osborne, F. Hopgood (conductor), R. Sawyer. It was the first attempt on Stedman Caters by Messrs. Holloway, Pullen, Paice and Webb.

Mr. C. J. Hamblin, the latest acquisition to the band at Auckland, New Zealand, reached the end of his long journey from England on October ist, and as a welcome, a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at St . Matthew's Church on Sunday, October 5th, for morning service by J. F. Colgrove I, N. Smallwood 2, J. Heather 3, O. Throssell 4, J. Davies 5, C. J. Hamblin 6, A. J. White (conductor) 7, S. C. Hamblin 8.

Those taking part in the peal at Ombersley, on Satur. day, had an unpleasant experience. When they had fairly settled down to the task before them, one of the two oil lamps began to smoke, and presently the flame drew up to the top of the glass and finally set fire to the outside of the lamp. Through the fourth, fifth and sixth 720's the ringers could scarcely see each other for smoke, but the lamp then burnt itself out and the peal was finished in safety, but by that time all of them were almost as black as colliers.

Those ringers who have accepted invitations to Mr George's birthday celebration on Saturday, are reminded that the tea takes place at St. Martin's Hotel, in the Bull Ring, Birmingham, at 6 o'clock prompt. As many visitors will not be taking part in any peals on that day, they may be interested to know that Mr. Harry Withers will be playing on the fine carillon at Bournville (Cadbury's Garden Village), from 3 to 4 p.m., and any who care to make the journey, of about four miles from the: city, will hear something worth listening to. The bells of St. John's, Deritend (8) will be available during the afternoon for touches.

Miss Elsic Bennett has scored another success in her unique handbell record, for she has now added Stedman Cinques to her list, after having just recently rung Stedman Triples. Stedman Caters she achieved some time since, and she is the first lady to ring Stedman doublehanded from Triples to Cinques.

Mr. W. White, of Raglan, Mon., writes confirming Mr. Hesse's measurements of Wedmore tenor, and says that he classes the bell as 33 cwt. St. Mary's, Taunton, tenor is 29 cwt. 3 qrs. 20 lbs., with a diameter of 58 录 inches, which, by comparison, is further proof that Wedmore is not 38 cwt. But to ring a peal at Wedmore, Mr. White adds, is a great credit to the band, both on account of the "go" of the bells and the noise of 7 and 8 .

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT.

## Ta the Editor.

Sir,-It seems a most deplorable thing that just when we should be most united, and almost at the moment when wo are about to add "Diocesan " to our title, dissension appears in our midst. I do not know what the grievance of our friends is, but everyone, of course, is entitled to grumble-and Englishmen have the reputation of being born grumblers-but as you rightly say there are constitutional methods. If members are dissatisfied with their officers the remedy is in their own hands, and can be summed up in three words-Elect; fresh ones. I feel sure, however, that if our frionds in the NorthWestern division were to lay their grievances before those in authority they would be remedied.
May I, therefore, appeal to my brother ringers, many of whom are perzonally known to me, to do nothing which would cause injury or bring discredit to our Association, as I am certain that by all puiling together a way out of the difficulty will be found. Although criticism is always easy, it is far better to embark on a constructive rather than a destructive policy.-Yours faithfully,

GEO. A. BLACK.

## NOTEWORTHY PEAL RECORDED.

There has just been fittingly recorded in the tower of Leiston, Suffolk, that memorable performance by the eight brothers Bailey. It is in the form of a tablet of Corre Pine, the handsome top having been designed by the Rector, who dedicated the board prior to Matins on Sunday week. The tablet contains the following records of the achievements of the St. Margaret's Society:-

Nowwich Diocesan Society of Change Ringers, St. Margaret's Society. Performances accomplished by members of the above Society
Monday, May 31st, 1909. Peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major, 11.040 changes in 6 hrs .32 mins. The longest peal on the bells. Saturday, October 21st. 1911. Peal of Trob Major (5024 changes) in 2 hrs. 58 mins.: Allen F. Bailey 1, Fredk. W. Bailey 2, Leonard P. Bailey 3, James M. Bailey 4. Norman R. Taailey 5, Ernest S. Bailey 6, Charles F. Bailey 7, Edgar F. Bailey 8. The first peal ever rung by eight brothers. Composad by G. Jindoff, of Dublin (late of Leiston). Conducted by C. F. Bailey.

Wednesday, January 1st, 1913. Peal of Kent Treble Bob Major ( 5088 changes), in 3 hrs. Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by C. T. Bailey. Rung in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. J. M. Button, for 50 vears Master of the St. Margaret's Society. Mr. Button the treble bell in this peal, in spite of his advanced age.
Saturday, March 13th, 1913. Peal of Stedman Triples ( 5040 changes) in 2 hr .57 mins . IIeywond's variation of Thurstans'. Conducted by C. F. Bailey. The first peal in the method by all, and on the bells, by the abave Society.

## Chelmsford Cathedral.



The new ring of 12 bells (Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs .) for Chelmsford Cathedral was dedicated by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans on Saturday, September 27th, 1913.

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## WINCHESTER GUILD.

## STRONG POSITION OF GUILDFORD DISTRICT

The Guildford District of the Winchester Guikd maintains its strong osition, and since the smalgamation with the Leatherhead District, has a membership of over $3 \circ 0$. The annual meeting took place on Wednesday of last week at Guildford, and was largely attended.
During the afternoon touches were successfully brought round in the local towers, and at a service in S. Nicolns' Church an able and helpful address was given by the Rev. G. Harding, of Godalming. The offertory, amounting to $£ 16 \mathrm{~s}$. 3 d ., was on behalf of the Titchfield bells. Tea was served at the Sart Inn, ringers being present from Cobham, Shere, Cranleigh, Godalming, Haslemere, Chiddingfold, Witley, Wonersh, Clandon, Merrow, Aldershot, Farnham, Woking, Worplesdon, Shalford, etc. At the anmual meeting which followed, in the absence of the Mayor of Guildford, Ald. E. Bridger (Godalming) presided, and was supported by the Revs. G. F. Coleridge (Crowthorne), W. W. S. Fleet (Woking), G. Harding (Godalming), J. B. Francis (Farncombe), and C. Compton (Haslemere), and Messrs. G. Williams (general secretary of the Guild, Southampton) and J. J. Jones (district secrtary), Eic. Mr. J. J. Jones presented the district report, in which regret was expressed at the destruction by fire at West Clandon Church of a fine peal of six bells. It had been pointed out to the Rector that the same amount of metal would make a fino peal of eight. The strength of the district with the amalgamation of the Leatherhead district was 30 towers, 275 ringing memhers and 38 hon. members. The towers of Wronersh and Ranmore, ad been affiliated to the district, and instruction was given at Ash, Bentley and Wonersh. At present there was a balance in hand of £14 (applause).
The following officerg were elected: Sinairman, Mr. C. Willshire; district sceretary, Mr. J. J. Jones; assietant-secretary, Mr. T. H. White (Dorking); representatives on the Central Committee, Messrs. R. Whittington and C. Edwards; ringing master, Mr. A. H. Pulling ; auditor, Mr. W. H. Tunnell; and chaplain, the Rev. G. Harding.
The meeting approved of the following meetings: February, Aldershot; April, Shere; May, Haslemere; June. Leatherhead; August, Ranmore; September, Farnham; November, Guildford.

It was unanimously agreed to attempt four district peals next year.
The question of a badge was postponed to the next meeting of the Guild, the Rev. G. F. Coleridge stating that he had been deputed to bring the matter of a badge for the ringers of England before the Central Council.
Mr. A. H. Pulling presented the ringing master's report, which stated that eleven peals were rung on six bells, thirteen on eight, two on ten and eighteen on handbells, making a total of 44.
Thanks were accorded Ald. Bridger, on the motion of Mr. F. E. Dawe, who also apologised for the absence from the meeting of Mr. J. Hunt, and extended the sympathy of all ringers to the Clandon band on the loss of their tower, bells, and records. He hoped that out of evil might come goocl, and that as a result a peal of eight bells might be installed at Clandon.

Following the meeting a touch of Stedman Triples was rung on handbells by Messrs. A. H. Pulling, M. Smithers, G. Williams and S. Radford. The Farncombe band (the Rer. J. B. Francis. Messrs. W. Moorey, Wr. Hooker and Wood) also gave an exhibition of ringing and songs were sung by the Revs. G. Harding and J. B. Francis, and Messrs. B. Ward, S. Rennett, Nells. T. Mack, F. E. Dawe, G. W. Brion, T. Ledge, H. Mason and E. Ftheridge. The arrangements for the gathering were most satisfactorily made by Mr. Willshire.

## BASINGSTOKE DISTRICTS PROSPECTS

The annual meeting was held at Basingstoke, on Saturday, and proved an attractive gathering. Happily, the day was beautifully fine, so that the larger number, who come by road. found travelling pleasant. The members began to assemble about 4 o'clock, and the bells of St. Michacl's lower were soon set swinging to Stedman and Grandsire Triples and a six-score or $s 0$ of Doubles for the less advanced. At 5.30 all altended a hearty service in the church, where the ringers' form of service was used; and the music was led by the chair, who kindly attended at the reguest of the Vicar (the Rev. D. Ronstead), who himself took the service, the lessons being road by the Rev. F Hume, the district secretary. Afterwards, 56 sat down to an excellent tea at the Church Cottage, well served by Mr. Philpott, as of yore. It was hoped that the Rev. C. E. Malthews (Master) and Mr. George Williams (general secretary) would have been present, but both of them were prevented. However, the Rev. W. E. Colchester (general F. Shepherd from Hersham.
Fere present from Winchester, and Mr. F. Snepherd from Hersham.

At the general meeting which followed. the Vicar took the chair The accounts (which are not closed till January) showed a substan tial estimated balance on the right side. The president (Dr. Bonstead), district sccretary (Rev. F. G. Hume), representative on Central Committee (Miss Alice White), and auditor (Mr. H. White) were unanimously re-elected.-The dates and places for annual and quarterly meetings were fixert, as far as possible; the names of 15 young members were added, by election; and several who had left the district were found to have returned, and met a welcome.
It was reportcd that there was a prospect of bringing five more
towers into union; and that a ring of four was soon to be augmented to a ring of six by the presentation of two trebles.
An interesting feature of the mecting was, that one of the Deane riagers, who is quite deaf, but very keen, was piloted, quite successfully, and to his awn great delight, through a tonch of Grandsire Triples, on the treble.

This ringer, Mr. George Leaves, rings the treble to a six-score of Grandsire Doubles, and a touch of Plain Bob Minar quite accurately.
The towers represented were: Basingstoke, Oakley, Sherfield, Whitchurch, Dummer, Rotherwick, Heckfield, Bramlcy, Overton, Deane, and Andover, besides the visitors from Winchester and Hersham. Three members of the Ladies' Guild wero present, and took part in the ringing. Some money was given in the room by the Basingstoke and Whitchurch bands, towards the Master's fund for augmenting the peal at Titchfield; and it was hoped that a fair sum will be placed in the hands of the district sccretary, by the district, for that purpose, before the close of the year.
A return to the tower, and continued ringing until $90^{\prime}$ clcck, brought to a close a very successful meeting.

## PRESENTATIONS.

CREWE RINGER'S SERVICES ACKNOWLEDGED.
Through the kindness of the President of the Crewe branch of the Chester Guild (Mr. C. J. Bowen Cooke, M.Inst.C.E.), the ringers of Christ Church, Crewe, met at "Chester Place " on Sunday, Nov. 16th. after morning service, to make an interesting presentation (on behalf of the branch) to Mr. R. T. Holding, senr., who has this year completed 21 years as instructor to the branch.
Mr. Cooke opened the proccedings with some well-chosen remarks, and the presentation, which consisted of an enlarged photograph of Mr . Holding, with a purse of gold, was made by Mr. Langford, the oldest member of Christ Church tower, who spoke in high terms of the work rendered by Mr. Holding, in connection with change ringing in the district.-The Vicar (the Rev. W. Bidlake) and churchwardens also endorsed theso remarks, and said, that although Mr. Holding had not been able to get to the belfry as often as proviously, owing to illness, they all hoped that he would be among them again before long. -Mr . Holding thanked them for their kind gifts, and said that what he had done in the past had not been done for any personal gain, but for the love of the art.-Mr. Cooke was thanked for the interest he had taken in the ringers in the district.

## RINGERS' GIET TO VICAR.

An interesting presentacion took place in the belfry of St. Cuthbert's Church, Kirkby Ireleth, on Saturday week, when the Vicar (the Rev. A. Pariridge) received from the ringers of the churches of Broughton-in-Furness and Kirkby Ireleth, a beautifully ohased silver cigarette case, suitably inscribed, on the occasion of his leaving Kirkby to take up duties at his native place, Great Barr, near Birmingham. Mr. H Casson, who presided over the little ceremony, voiced the regret of the parichioners at the departure of the Vicar, and Mr. J. Spry (the conductor) then handed the gift to Mr. Partridge. He spoke in appreciative terms of the way in which the Vicar had assisted the ringers and joined with them in the practice of the art, and on behalf of the subscribers wished him every success and happiness in his new sphere.-
Ths Vicar acknowledged the gift in a feeling speech, in the course of which he said he should always look back with pleasure on the happy times spent with the ringers both in the belfry and on the many little trips they had had together. He appreciated the gift, not alone for its value, but for the spirit that prompted it, and it would always be a pleasant reminder of the happy hours he had enjoyed with them.

## WEDDING GIFT

On Thursday of last week, Mr. R. G. Black, the esteemed captain of the Geddington company and a well-known ringer in the district, Was married at Kettoring Parish Chureh to Miss S. E. Darker, of dington 720 Grandsire Doubles: WV. Moore 1, C. Swann 2, C. Cocper (conductor) 3, E. Reed 4, C. Mcore 5. Illness near the church unfortunately prevented a peal attempt.

After the ringing the bridegroom was present in the belfry, and on bchalf of the Geddington band, Mr. W. Moore presented him with a handsome set of knives and forks. In a happy speech, Mr. Moore wished the bride and bridegroom long life and happiness.
Subsequently the ringers were entertained to supper at the residence of the bridegroom's parents (Mr. and Mrs. G. Black), and an enjoyable evening was spent in singing and handbell ringing.

## DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

## North Shields, on Wednesthy week, with an attendance of eighteen

 members representing four towers. Rounds were rung for the benefit of the beginners, and the following methods wero practised: Stedman Caters, Kent Treble Bob Royal, Plain Bob Royal and London Surprise Major. Four membors had their first practice on ten bells. The next meeting will probably be held at Newcastle.
## A NEW SUSSEX CHURCH.

## MUNIFIOENT GIFT CONSECRATED.

One more has been added to the beautiful churches of Sussex by the consecration on Thursday, November 13th, of Holy Trinity Church, Coleman's Hatch, which has been erected by a local resident, Mr. J. McAndrew, J.P., of Holly Hill. The church forms a landmark in its stately position at the top of Shepherd's Hill, and has a fitting background of very fine trees. Mr. McAndrew has not only defrayed the cost of erecting the church-estimated at about $£ 16,000$-but has enclowed it and thoroughly furnished it throughout with every reguisite, including a full preal of beautifully-toned bells, which rang out their joyous welcome before the service. The church consists of a nave and north aisle, a tower and spire, and the usual arrangements of chancel and organ chamber and vestries, advantage being taken of the steep slope of the ground at this point to place the choir vestry and heating chember under the orgen and clergy vestry, both of which are at the same level as the body of the chancel. At the west end there is ismall baplistery ormtaining a stone font. The total accommodation of the church is 300 , including the choir. The exterior of the church is of Sussex stone, the interior having dressings of the same stone, the walls being plastered. The fittings throughout are of oak, and include the altar, altar rail, choir stalls, pulpit and seats in nave and aisles. The church is heated by hot air. There is a clock in the tower, which is fitted with Lord Grimthorpe's double three-legged gravity escapement and all the latest improvements, and which chimes the

Westminster " quarters and drives the hands of gilt skeleton dials.
The consecration of the new church, tower, bells and clock took place in the presence of a crowded congregation, many of whom were unable to find seats, and was performed by the Bishop of Chichester in the course of a most impressive service.

After the service, the congregation were entertained to tea by Mr. MeAndrew, the company numbering between 500 and 600 .

Before and after the service the new bells were rung by the ringers from St. Peter's, Brighton, under the direction of Mr. Keith Hart, and after a huried tea the band returned to the tower and rang an excellent peal of Stedman Triples as recorded in last week's issue.
The tenor :of tho ring weighs 12 cwt ., and is in the key of $G$; and all the bells have been hung in a steel and iron frame, and tuned on the five-tone " Simpson " principle, which soon becomes apparent to the listener.
The whole of the bell and clock work has been carried out by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. of Croydon, who were complimented on all sides for tho manuer in which their contract had been completed, and particularly for the sweet, tone of the bolls and the ease with which the ringers were able to handle them.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> NORTHERN BRANOH MEETING.

A mecting of the Gainsborough district was held at Kirton Lindsey on Saturday week, ringers and friends being present from Gainsborough, Willingham, Barnetby and Bigby. Although the gathering was not so large as it might have been, yet from a ringing point of riew the meeting was very succassful. During the afternoon and evening several well-struck touches of Grandsire Doubles, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Minor were accomplished. At tea at the Red Lion Hotel, the ringers were joined by the Vicar of Kirton Lindsey (the Rev. H. R. Garrey), Messrs. Silverwood and Kent (choirmaster), and some of the local company. The subsequent business meeting was presided over by the Vicar, and it was the pleasing duty of those present to elect the Rev. H. R. Garvey as an hon. member. Votes of thanks to the church author ties for the use of the bells, to Mr. R. Johnson for making the necessary arrangements, and to the host and hostess were unanimously carried and responded to in a very cordial manner by the Vicar and Mr. Johnson. Mr. Silverwood also expressed the great pleasure it gave him to be with them on that accasion.
'Ihis concluded the business, after which some of the visitors returned to the tower and indulged in further ringing, including a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor, by:C. H. Baker 1, F. S. W. Butler (conductor) 2, G. W. Blanchard 3, J. C. Tinker 4, W. T. Herring 5, J. T. Ladd 6. This was the first 720 of Treble Bob by Mr. Herring, and is believed to be the first in the method on the bells. The meeting proved one of the most successful ever held by the Gainsborough district.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

The mombers of the Manchester branch held their usual monthly meeting at the famous tower of St. Michacl, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Saturday week. The meeting was of a very representative character, members being present from Manchester, Pendleton, Worsley, Eccles, Hyde. Stockport, Oldham, Middleton, Penkhul! (Staffordshire), etc.Mr . Jas. Barralt (vice-president of the Association) presided over the business procecdings, at which Mr. J. Broadbent and Mr. A. Sumner were elected members-Manchester Town Hall was chosen for the next meoting place.-A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector
and local ringers for the use of the bells.

## EXCURSIONS.

## AN OUTING TO LEEDS

On Saturday week, the membars of the Bolsover band journeyed tc Leeds for their annual excursion. Arriving af cur destination about. 10 a.m., writes one of their number, we were met by the genial Mr. H. Williams, who proved a most capable guide, and whose attractive programme included visits to the town hall and other places of interest. At St. Michael's Headingly, a disappointment awaited us, for owing to the illness of a parishioner we were not permitted to ring. The Rev. C. C. Marshall, Vicar of St. Chad's, and President of the Yorks Association, received us most courteously, and gave us a hearty invitation to have a pull on the beautiful peal of eight bells of which his church boasts. Touches of Norfolk, Treble Bob and Superlative were brought into rounds, and after expressing our thanks to the Vicar for his kindness, we proceeded to Beckett Park, formerly the seat of Lord Grimthorpe, and now the Leeds Training College. After crossing the park, we arrived at the famous Abbey of Kirkstall, and our interest in the venerable pile was enhanced by Mr. Williams' narrative of its history and past greatness. The morning's exertions, and the bracing air of Headingly, made dinner unusually welcome. The meal was partaken of at Leeds, and afterwards, as Mr. Williams was compelled by a business engagement to leave us, the duties of cicerone were undertaken by Mr. Johnson, who conducted us to Hunslet Parish Church. Here, M. Cotterill, of Halifax, and several ringers were awaiting us, and touches of Cambridge, Norfolk and Bob Major were successfully brought into rounds. We next risited the pariah church of Holbeck, and came to grief orer a touch of London, after succeeding with touches of Superlative and Double Norwich. Tea provided a welcome respite, and subsequently we concluded our tour with a visit to the Leeds Parish Church, where we again failed with a touch of London, but brought into rounds touches of Stedman Caters and Superlative. The very warm welcome we received on every hand contributed to the day's enjoyment, and we desire to extend our heartiest thanks to the Vicars of the churches at which we rang, and to all who in any way ministerfed to our pleasure.

## LUTON RINGERS VISIT NORTHAMPTON

The ringers of Luton Parish Church visited Northampton for a halfday, at the kind invitation of the Vicar of St. Giles (the Rev. T. A. Gurney), who was senior curate at Luton some twenty years ago. After having a look round the town, a move was made to the belfry, where, during the afternoon and evening, the following methods were. rung on the nice peal of ten, with tenor 25 cwt.: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob Major, Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Bob and Keni Treble Bob Royal. By the kindness of the Vicar, tea was partaken of at the St. Giles Churchrooms, and the tables presided over by three ladies, including Miss Gurney. After tea, Mr. A. King, on behalf of the risitors, proposed a hearty rote of thanks to the Rer. A. T. Gurney for his kind hospitality, and for the use of the bells.-The Vicar, in reply, said how pleased he was to entertain the ringers from his old parish, and spoke of the happy time he spent at Luton, under the late Vicar (the Rer. James ONeill). He hoped at some future date to have the opportunity of inviting them to Northampton again.-Thanks were also expressed to the ladies for their $\mathrm{h}=\mathrm{l} p$ at the tea tables, and to Mr. W. Rogers and his colleagues for haring everything ready at the belfry, and making the outing a success.-Owing to a prior engagement, Mr. F. Wilford, general secretary of the Northamptonshire Association, was unable to be present to welcome the visitor's.

## DEATH OF CANON YERBJRGH. A RINGING CLERIC.

Readers of the daily papers will have seen with regret the announcement of the sudden death of Canon Wardell Yerburgh, Vicar of Tewkesbury, on the 14 th inst. In losing him, the Tewkesbury company lose a genial and kind-hearted president, the Gloncester and Bristol Diocesan Association lose an earnest supporter and well-wisher, and the Exercise in general loses one of the comparatively few clergy. who not only took a deep interest in the art, but who at one time himself practised change ringing, and was a College Youth. Charming and delightful in manser, he won the admination of all who came into contact with him. He had held the living of Tewkesbury for some tweive or thirteen years, and was deservedly popular in the parish. The dignity and beauty of the services in the glorious Abbey were his constant care, and the vo:d that he leaves behind will be hard to fill.
The following finging took place at Tewkesbury Abbey Church, with the bells muffled $a_{5}$ a last token of respect: On Sunday morning, the 16th inst., for Divine service, 532 Grandsire Triples: W. Hampton 1, R. H. Wetherington 2, F. S. Wilson 3, F. Smith 4, John Wathen 5, T. Devereux 6, Jos. Wathen 7, W. Haines 8. Also for evening service, 714 Grandsire Triples, standing as before, with the exception of G. W. Dyson 4. in the place of F. Smith. Both touches were composed and conducted by Jos. Wathen. On Monday evening, the 17th, before the. memorial service, 600 Grandsire Triples were rung.

## NOTICES.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch.-A branch meeting will be held at Colne on Saturday, November 29th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East Dis-trict-A meeting will be held at St. Giles-in-the-Fields on Saturday, November 29th. Bells available from 3.30. Short service at 5 , to which all ringers are earnestly invited. Tea at the Church House, Dyott Street, at 5.30, by the kind invitation of the Rector (Rev. W. H. Davies). Business meeting after a. The bells of St. James', Clerkenwell, will also be available from 7.30 to 9 p.m. C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.-A quar:terly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Blakenhall on Saturday, November 29th. Bells available at 40 'clock. Service in church 5 o'clock. Business meeting after-wards.--Herbert Sheppard, Honorary Secretary, 66, Himley Road, Dudley.

THE HERTS ASSOCIATION. - A meeting will be held at Kings Langley ( 8 belis) on Saturday, November 29th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea, in the Institute, 6d. each. It is hoped that members will take this the first opportunity of visiting Kings Langley since augmentation from 6 to 8 bells.-H. Eden, Honorary Secretary, West District.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ). -Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on December and and 16th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 2nd and 3oth; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the $4^{\text {th }}$ and 18th; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 9th; and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 23 rd; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays; St. Magnus, 7.30 ; the others, 8 p.m. The subscription of is. 8 d ., which entitles members to vote on matters of finance, should be paid before February 28th. -William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Roád, Clapham, S.IV.

GUILD FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP. -The next quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Wellington on Saturday, December 6th, 1913. Ringing at 3 p.m. Business meeting at 5 p.m. Tea at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.-Rev. H. B. Beckwith, Honorary Secretary, Ridgemount, Shrewsbury.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. - The next meeting of this society will be held at Staveley on Saturday, December 6th. Church of St. John the Baptist, 8 bells, tenor ig cwt., available 3 p.m. to $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. I shall be glad to receive at this meeting all outstanding subscriptions for 1913, particularly from unattached members. I would remind members of the new rule, by which all those who are two years in arrear now lose their membership. Also I shall be glad to receive any further donations towards the Eckington Bells Funds at this meeting, as this fund will shortly be closed.-J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary. 38, Rutland Park, Sheffield.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (North Bucks Branch).-A quarterly meeting will be held at Bletchley, on Saturday, December 6th next. Service at 3 p.m. -Thos. Best, Secretary, Bletchley.

THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIA-TION.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Cold

Higham, on Saturday, December 6th, ringing at 3 p.m., tea at 5 p.m. Business after tea. Will those who intend to be present kindly let me know by Wednesday, December 3 rd, and not later. A free tea.-J. Slarke, Brackley Road, Towcester.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Stockport Brancl. -The annual meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Stockport, on Saturday, December 6th.-A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sccretary, New Mills.
LANCASHIRE $A$ SSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. --The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Bury, on Saturday, December 6th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.-J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-A meeting for practice will take place at Cropthorne, on Saturday, December 6th. Bells available at 3 p.m.-J. Hemming, Branch Secretary.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-A ringing meeting will be held at Bicester, Oxon, on Saturday, December I 3 th, at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., tea ( 6 d . per head) $4 \cdot 30$. Will those who wish to attend please notify me by December irth.-Rev. C. Jenkyn, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - North-TVestern District.-The annual meeting for this district will be held at Bishop Stortford, on Saturday, December 13 th. Service at 4.45 p.m. Short address by the Vicar (the Rev. H. T. Lane). Tea and business meeting will be held at the Chequers Hotel at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Bells available afternoon and evening. Tea, 6 d . each, to members giving notice not later than first post Thursday, December ith.-William Watts, District Secretary, Mont House Cottage, Stansted, Essex.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester

 Branch.-The next monthly meeting will be held at the Manchester Town Hall, on Saturday, December 13 th. The bells will be available for ringing from 3 to 7 p.m., the meeting to follow immediately after. The annual reports can be had at this meeting. Subscriptions are now due.-IV. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester District.-A quarterly meeting of this district will be held at St. Mary Magdalene, Gillingham, on Saturday, December 13 th. Tower open from 3.30 p.m. till 9 p.m. Business meeting at 6 p.m.-Edward A. G. Allen, Hon. Secretary.
halifay and district association.-A meeting for practice will be held at Batley Carr, on Saturday, December I $^{2}$ th. Bells available from 3 p.m. -F. Salmons, Secretary.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Ringing for Divine service at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields the first Sunday in the month, and at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, the third Sunday, both at Io o'clock. Mcetings for practice at Shoreditch the second 'Wednesday and at St. Sepulchre's, Snow Hill, the fourth Wednesday in every month, at 7.30.-F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary.
COOKHAM, BERKS.-The restored bells will be re-dedicated on Sunday, Dec. 7th, during the morning service, by the Ven. the Archdeacon of Berkshire. As the services will not allow of much ringing on that day, visitors will be most heartily welcome any evening during the week, except Wednesday, when there is evening service.-T. J. Fowler, Hon. Sec., Cookham.

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## AN APPEAL.

WANTED.- $f_{5} \mathrm{IzO}$ to complete the rehanging of the Wells of Upton Snodsbury Church, Worcestershire. Population 270, nearly all poor. The bells have not been rung for 30 years. Peal of 6 , tenor F. Lovers of bells, please help us. All donations acknowledged.-Write to Vicar, Upton Snodsbury, Worcester.

## HOLIDAY APARTMENTS.

Having frequently had inquiries from ringers for information as to other members of the Exercise who have holiday apartments to let, we offer the use of our columns to those who cater for visitors at seaside and other resorts. Terms for insertion will be sent on application.

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## ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS AND SHOREDITCH BELLS. <br> T'o the Editor.

Dear Sir,-Our society's thanks and compliments are due to Mr. Herbext J. Bradley for his researches among parish records and the interesting tit-bits of ancient history he has discovered and published. His find in Shoreditch Library of "Dawson's Diary," having a record of a peal rung on Shoreditch bells in October, 1746, is of more than -ordinary interest, and, as ho suggests, may be the peal by the London Scholars (which society was founded A.D. 1603) rung in honour of Royal Duke.
Thanks are also due to the past master, Mr. J. D. Mathews, for his search of the society's old peal books, as the extracts therefrom of the two "first" peals of Grandsire Cinques rung there in 1807 and 1823, at once clinch the point that the present is the third ring of twelve bells put up in that tower.
One other of the treasured possessions of this society is documentary evidence of subscription lists for the original ring of twelve bells at Shoreditch, and also for keeping them in repair years after they were put up.-Yours tiuly,
H. DAINS.

## BADDOW RINGERS' BEREAVEMENT.

It is with sincere regret we have to record the death of Mrs. Green, wife of Mr. George Green (one of the local ringers), of Great Baddow, Tissex. Deceased had been suffering for the last two years from consumption, and passed away on Monday week at the age of 31 years. The deceased leaves a husband and three sons (the eldest of whom is 10 years of age), with whom we all deeply sympathise in their great loss.
The funcral took place on Friday at Great Baddow, when a great number of mourners assembled, and 28 floral wreaths and crosses were sent. In the evening, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at the Parish Church wilh the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect by: W. J. Rice 1, H. R. Dawson 2, A. Head 3. H. Richell 4, H. Bush 5, H. F. Gooper (conductor) 6, A. Richell 7, F. Nerman 8.

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Tenor (33 cwt.) of the New Ring of 12. WULFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON, MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON. 4th March, 1012. Gentlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two sow ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolvarhampton, reoently oarried cut by you kas proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

1 am authorised by the Fector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualifed to indge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best pesis in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BECK

Arohiteat, Diocesan Surveyor.

## A BOOM IN PEALS.

This issue of "The Ringing World" is a veritable "peal number," for seven-and-a-half of our pages are occupied with the reports of performances of over 5,000 changes. It is a remarkable record for one week, and only once, we believe, have we exceeded this number in a single issue. There seems to be, just at present, quite a boom in peals, and while we doubt if this year's performances in this direction will equal in number the extraordinary figures of 1912, the closing months are, at any rate, producing results which will make up some of the leeway lost in the earlier part of the year.

These tabulated records of the important performances of the week are not always looked upon by non-peal ringers as of personal interest, but this week's peals provide in their details a great deal which should hold the attention of our readers. For instance, it is, we should say, practically unique to have to record five peals of Stedman Cinques (including the first peal on the restored Shoreditch bells) in one issue. Then, too, there are more than the average number of ten-bell peals-two facts, which despite special circumstances, point to the growing practice on the higher numbers of bells. Again, among the peals on eight bells there are a considerable number in Surprise methods, and some of these, such as the first true peal of Guildford Surprise, and the peal of Cambridge at Saffron Walden, in which a boy of 15 took part, are of more than passing interest. Then, coming to the other performances of note, we have the peal in eight methods of Doubles rung on handbells by three children, whose average age is only 13 years; and a handbell peal at Kettering, in which another youthful performer, a boy of 13, rang the tenors.

The feature of the week, however, is the number of peal ${ }_{5}$ rung to celebrate the 6oth birthday of Mr. James George, of Rugby. They account for no fewer than $I_{5}$, and it will be noticed that the week's ringing round about Birmingham, specially organised, was on the whole a very successful one. Probably never before has the birthday of a ringer been celebrated by so much ringing. All these performances tend to add interest to the peal records, and we hope, also, that they will duly impress those that are inclined to overlook the trials of the editor who, with inelastic columns, has to find space for such a bulk of records. We are sometimes gently chided for publishing peals to the exclusion of minor matters that have been sent in, but we think the majority of our readers will agree that the peals are not the least important of the weekly doings of the Exercise. One of our principal regrets is that these few critics do not have to sit in the editorial chair for a week, and try to squeeze into sixteen pages enough matter to fill half as many again.

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE. ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Wednesday, November 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes, At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;
Tenor 23 cwt., in E Hat.
John Neal ... ... ... ...Treble Ernest T. Allaway ... 7 Alf Paddon Smith ... ... 2 Samuel Grove... ... ... 8 Thomas H. Reeves ... ... 3 James George ... James E. Groves ... ... 4 *Jesse Screen ... ... ... io io
 Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by Herbert Knight.
*First peal on twelve bells. Rung to celebrate the 6oth birthday of Mr. James George, of Rugby.

## WOLVELHAMPTON

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM
On Thursday, November 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Forty-one Minutes, At the Collegiate Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL DF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5060 CHANGES; Tenor 33 cwt ., in C sharp.
 James H. Shepherd ... ... 2 Morris J. Morris ... William Fisher... ... ... 3 *Benjamin Gough ... ... 9 Jofn Neal ... ... ... ... 4 Samuel Grove... ... ... 10 Herbert Knight ... ... 5 James E. Groves ... ... if Adolphus Roberts ... ... 6 †Benjamin Clark ... ...T Tenor Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by James E. Groves.

* First attempt of Stedman Cinques. $\dagger$ First peal on twelve bells. This number (5060) was specially composed to be rung on Mr. George's 6oth birthday and is the only one of this number in Cinques ever rung. It was the conductor's 400 th peal, 60 of which have been rung in this tower. A number of well-known ringers, including Mr. J. Jagger, Mr. R. Cartwright and Mr. J. Bradney congratulated Mr. James George on his success and the whole band on ringing such an excellent peal.


## LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary-Le-Bow, Cheapside,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES 5019 CHANCES;

- Tenor 53 cwt.

Edwin Horrex ... ... ...Treble Richard T. Hibbert ... 7 Challis F. Winney ... ... 2 Ernest G. Stibbons ... 8 Ernest G. Fenn $\cdots \cdots \quad . . .3 \mid$ Rev. Cyril W. O. Jenkins 9 Thomas Faulkner ..... .4 4 John W. Golding ... ... io William E. Garrard ... 5 William T. Cockerill... i i Henry R. Newton ... ... 6 Rev. Geo. F. Coleridge Tenor Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and Conducted by Thomas Fadlkner.

## LONDON

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, N.E.,
A PEAL OF 8 TEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANEES;
Tenor $28 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

Arthur N. Hardy ... John D. Matthews ... Miss Edith K. Parker Frank Hairs ... ... Frank Bennett ... ... ...

Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.
*First peal on twelve. First peal on the bells since their restoration.

## BIRMINGHAM <br> ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Tueslay, December 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF Stedman Cinques, 5017 changes, Tenor 36 cwt ., in C.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

## NOTTINGHAM.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5187 CHANGES;

## Tenor 35 cwt .



* First peal of Stedman Caters.


## LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Manday. Novenber 2t, 1913, in Three Hours and Ticenty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Alfege, Greenwich,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 changes; Tenor 25 cwt
Harry Hoskins
John J. Lamb
Harold W. Clark
William J. Rawlings
William Weatherstone 5 William Shimmans ...Tenor 8 © 3 B. Composed by G. T. Daltry, and
Rung as a farewell peal to the Rev. S. Martyn Bardsley, who, owing to ill health, has resigned the living. BRISTOL.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Welnesday, November 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes, At the Church of St. Stehpen-the-Martyr,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDCE SURPRISE TOYAL, 5040 CHAMGES:

George Tomins Rev. H. Law James. Edgar Guise
Harry Brownjoun
Albert E. Stowell.

Tenor 21 cwt., in E.
..Treble Alfred E. Reeves... ... 6

Composed and Conducted by Rev. H. Law James.
ASTON, BIRMINGHAM
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, November 27, 1913, in Thire Hours and Ten Minutes, at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;
Walter Seaton...
James jones William G. Anker William F. Webb George Garrison

Treble *Jonathan Preston.
George Garrison

John Corrigan
William G. Ellis ... William Davies Charles Allen

Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by William G. Ellis.

* First peal of Caters. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. James George, of Rugby ; also to Mr. Harry Jones, of Aston, and Mr. Jonathan Preston, of Erdington.

THE ANCIENT SOCIE'TY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF . Stedman gaters, 5014 Changes;


MELTON MOWBRAY, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (Leicester Branch.)
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Thres Hours and Twenty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF StEDMAH CATERS, 5C04 Changes:
Tenor 254 c cwt.
George Cleal ... ... ...Treble T. Leonard Allen...
Ernest Bartram $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ Richard R. Bartram.. .5
Frederick H. Dexter ... 3 Charles H. Fowler.. .8

| Arthur Petitit ... | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Benjamin A. K... | 4 |
| Kights | $\ldots$ |


Composed by Fredk. H. Dexter, and Conducted by Chas. H. Fowler.
This peal, now rung for the first time, was a birthday compliment to Mr. James George. The band take this opportunity of wishing him many happy returns of the day.

WALSELL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Saturday, Novenber 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Matthew,
a Peal of oxford treble bob royal, 5080 ghanges;


* First peal of Royal. First peal of Oxford Royal on the bells, by all the band and by the Society, and rung at the first attempt. Rung on the vigil of St. Andrew. It was also the birthday of the conductor.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WOOLTON, LANCS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tueslay, November 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Scven Minutes, At the Papish Chupch,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Changes;

Holt's Tew-Part.


Rung by the local band to commemorate the election of Alderman A. S. Mather as first Alderman of Woolton, and in honour of the golden wedding of Sir William and Lady Tate.

## BUNGAY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sutherday, November 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Fiften Minutes,

## At the Chopch of St. Mary,

## a peal of kent treble bob major, 5088 chances;

Tenor I6 cwt. I qr. 4 lbs ., in F.
Frederick R. Borrett ...Treble Edivard P. Duffield ... 5
Charles Baker ... ... ... 2
Charles Baker... $. . . \quad . . .2$ George Baxter
Clayton Parnell
5
6
Ernest Lincoln
Frederick Smith
Harry Ling
Tenor
Composed by H. W. Haley, and

Conducted by Frederick R. Borrett.

## DRIGHLINGTON, YORKSHIRE.

 THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Padl,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
*Harry Tomlinson
... ...Treble * Harry Tomlinso Francis Barker ... William E. H. Ash $\cdots$.

| James A. Teale... | ... | .. | 3 | William E. H. Ash | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Woodhead... | ... | 4 | Robert Sguires | $\ldots$ | $\ldots . T$ Thor |  | Conducted by Villiam E. H. Ash.

- First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to William Woodhead.

EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,
At Christ Chorch,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part. Edward J. Mallard... ...Treble Walter Alcock Edgar Hancox Joserb Joseph Sharp

Tenor $8 \mathrm{c}^{\mathrm{cwt} .,}$ in A .
Edward W. Bray ... ... 5 George H. Howse ... 6 Keith Hart ... ... .... 7 Charles Lewis .... ... Temor Conducted by Keith Hart.

## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sunday, November 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the R.C. Abbey, Erdington,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 Changes;

Carter's Odd Bob Twenty-Part.
Tenor 15 cwt., in F
Bernard W. Witchell ...Treble Arther Chambers ... ... 5 James George ...... ... 2 George Parsons... George Garrison.. .9 Thomas J. Bratton ... ... 4 Samuel Grove... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Bernard W. Witchell.
Rung in connection with the birthday celebration of Mr. James George, of Rugby. The band was kindly entertained to tea after the peal by Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Witchell.

COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Monday, November 24, 1913, in Three Hours and EEleven Minutes, At the Parish Church,
a PEAL Of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 Changes; Tenor II cwt.

## Benjamin Gough

Treble John Carter
Harry Mason ... 2
James Jones
James E. Groves
James E. Groves
William R. Small...
… 5

| 3 |
| :--- |
| 4 | ... James George. John T. Perry... ... .. .. 7 Conducted by John Carter.

This peal was rung on the 2oth anniversary of the same peal rung on the same bells and by the same ringers standing in the same order They are the only two peals of Treble Bob rung on these bells. There was only one minute difference in the time of the two peals. The ringers were afterwards kindly entertained by Mr. B. Gough. A peal tablet is to be erected to record both peals, the second of which was rung in connection with the birthday celebration of Mr. James George, of Rugby.

## ASHTEAD, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION
On Monday, November 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Four-Part.
James Wyatt
George Cook
William Cook
John Hoyle

Tenor 14 cwt .

$\begin{array}{llll}\text { William H. Corbett } & . . & 5 \\ \text { Thomas Tutte } & \cdots & . . & 6\end{array}$ Thomas Tutte $\quad . . \quad$... 6 | Richard Kendall | .. | $\ldots$ | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| David anscomber | $\ldots$ | ... |  | iam H. Corbett.

This composition is now rung for the first time The peal was a birthday compliment to Mr. John Wyatt, captain of the Incal band.

SAFFRQN WALDEN, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, November 2.4, 1913, in Throe Hours and Seventen Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES 1 Tenor 24 cwt., in D.
Frederick Pitstow... ...Treble George Sparrow ... .... 5
Robert Strong ... ... 2 •Erederick Housden '... 6
*Harold N. Pitstow...$\quad 3$ Frederick J. Pitstow?.... 7 Alfred E. Pitstow ... 4 Arthur James... ... ... Tenor Composed by C. Middleton, and Conducted by Frederick Pitstow.

* First peal of Cambridge Surprise. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of treble and 2nd. The ringer of 3rd is only $I_{5}$ years of age.

RUGBY, WARWICKSHIRE. THE WARWICKSHIRE GURLD. (The St. Andrew's Society, Rugby.)
On Monday, November 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 25 cwt .
Walter Malins ... ...Treble Harry (1). White ... ... *Bertie W. Haywood ... 2 †Charles W. Wheeler... 6
 Joseph A. Fenton ... ... 4 *Robert W. Jesson... ... Tinor Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by Walter Malins.
*First peal and first attempt. + First peal of Stedman. First peal' of Stedman as conductor. First peal of Stedman on the bells, also the quickest peal on the bells. Rung for the Patronal Festival, and to commemorate the 6oth birthday of Mr. James George, Master of the Warwickshire Guild.

STAINES, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, Nourember 2f, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES; Tenor $15 \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| Charles T. Coles ... ...Treble | William Shepherd |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George H. Gutteridge... 2 | William Welling... |  |
| William J. New | George Spincer ... |  |
| Bertram Prewett | Alfred W. Grimes | Tenor |
| Composed by Ga | lindoff, and |  |

GATESHEAD, DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, November 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Sir A. P. Heywood's Five-Part No. 6.
Alfred Dalton ... ...Tyeble Alfred F. Hilefan

William Smith $\ldots . . . .3^{4} \mid$ John Stuart $. . . \quad . . . . . . T_{\text {enon }}^{7}$
Conducted by William H. Barber.

* First peal of Stedman Triples away from the tenor. W. Smith hails from Loughborough, and was elected a member of the Association before starting.

SOUTH LEIGH, OXON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, November 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. James the Great,

## A PEAL OF STEDNAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Brooks' Variation.
Albert Brooks ... ... ...Treble
$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Albert } \\ \text { John Monk } & \text {... } & . . . & \ldots . . & \ldots & . . . \\ 2\end{array}$ George Holifield, Junr. 3 Noble Spindlow

Conducted by ${ }^{4}$ G. Holifield, Senr.

Erederick Webb
Frederick Webb $\ldots$....
George Holifield, Senr.
Thomas Bull ... ... ... 7
Richard Keen... ... ... Tenor

## WEST BROMWICH, STAFFS

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARC'HDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
© On Tuesday, November 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF stedman triples, 5040 chances:
Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor $\mathrm{r}_{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Thomas Taylór ... ... ...Treble Archie Cadick ... ... 5
Stanford Woodhall... ... 2 Elijah Pagett ... ... 6 Walter Reynolds ... ... 3 Albert Mills ..... .7 William Peart ... ... ... 4 Gerge Griffithis ...Tenor Conducted by Albert Mills.
First peal of Stedman by all the band except the conductor. First peal of Stedman as conductor. First peal of Stedman on the bells by a local band.

## GUIL.DFORD, SURREY

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(The Holy Trinity Society.)
On Tuesday, November 25, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At the Chorch of the Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF GUILDFORD SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES;

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lbs ., in D .

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| :---: | :---: |
| KE | Clarence H. Dobbie |
|  | Charles Hazelden |
|  |  | Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.

This is the first true peal in the method, and was rung to take the :place of the false one rung in honour of the r5oth anniversary of the dedication of the church.

UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Western Branch.)
On :Wednesday, Nowember 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGE :

 Carter's Twelve-Part.Tenor $\mathrm{r} 7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.

## - Henry Chance...

Frederick Bryan
Frederick Bilitam Niblett ...Treble †Frederick Stanton William -Niblett.. .0 Charles Camm-..... Conducted by Robert G. Knowles.
*First peal away from the tenor. $\dagger$ First peal of Triples. Rung in honour of the marriage of Miss C. A. Grice-Hutchinson to Mr. J. E. Ward, immediately after the ceremony.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (East Berks and South Bucks Branch.)
(The High Wycombe and Hoghenden Societies.)
On Wednesday, November 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Michael and All Angels,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAMGES;

Hayes' Variamion of Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Ten-Part, No. i.
Tenor $12 \frac{2}{2} \mathrm{c}$ cwt.
Arthur J. Hoing
...Trebl: James W. Wilinins
William Goodchild
$\cdots$ rebl:
... 2 John Evans ... ... ... 6
iRalph Coles $. . . \quad . . . \quad .$.
John Gransbury ... ... 4 | P. C. Cecil Smith ...Temor
Conducted by Ralph Coles.

- First peal away from tenor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringars of the treble and 4 th.

> WALLINGFORD, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wednesday, November 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## a PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Changes;

Holt's Ten-Part. Miss Kathleen Holifield Treble Harry Holifield
Edgar Humprey … ... 3 Richard G. Rice $\underset{\text { IConducted by }}{ }{ }^{+}$ William Warwick... ...Tenor Conducted by G. Holifield, Junt.

## NEW ROMNEY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (The Romney Marsh and District Guild.)
On Wednesday, November 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

W. Matthew's Twelve-Part. Tenor ig $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Alfred W. Daw } \ldots \text {...Treble } & \text { Ernest E. Hutchinson... } 5 \\ \text { Charles W. Perger }\end{array}$
Charles W. Player ... 2 George Johnson ... ... 6
George E. Kennett... ... 3 Highwood S. Humphery 7 Percy Page ... ... ... 4 George B. Anderson ...Tenoy Conducted by H. S. Humphery.
Rung with $\overline{\text { the }}$ bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Miss F. H. South, third daughter of the Rev. R. M. and Mrs. South, and sister to the Rev. H. G. South, Curate-in-Charge, whose remains were interred at the Parish Churchyard during the afternoon.

BENHILTON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, November 26,1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A Peal of double norwigh court bob major, 5120 changes;
Tenor 19 爯 cwt .
Joseph A. Lambert ... ...Treble $\mid \underset{\text { Frank Holder ... ... } 5}{5}$
Alfred Clayton ... ... ... 2 Sidney R. Roper ... 6

| Benjamin Morriss | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | David Wright | ... | .. | 7 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Charles Dean | ... | .. | .. | 4 | John Webs | ... | .. | $\ldots$ | Tenor |

Composed by F. Holden, and
Conducted by David Wright.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(Darley Dale Society.)
On Wednesday, November 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANCE ; Tenor if cwt., in $F$.
John Siddall, Junr.... ...Tveble John H. Padlson ... ... 5
Henry Gregory ... ... 2 Edwin Blackwall... ... 6

Composed by Henry Dains, and
Conducted by Alfred C. Wright.

## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Novenber 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, Ax the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHAMGES;

George H. Howse
..Treble
Arthur h. White ... .... 2 Erajest Gower .... 3 Richard Stredwick ... 6 .... 3 William C. Hart ... ... 7 Oliver Sippetts ... ... 4 Keith Hart ... ... ...Tenor Composed by C. Middleton, and Conducted by Keith Hart.

## NUNEATON

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Thursday, November 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A Peal of kent treble bob major, 5088 Ghanges; Tenor r4t cw .
Thomas W. Chapman
...Tveble Walter Horton
Roland O. Pollard
... 2 Tames F. Clarke, Junr.
Walter Martin ... ... 3 Harry Argyle... ... ... 7 Ernest Stone ... ... ... 4 E. Harry Stoneley .... Tehor

Composed by Wm. Harrison, and
Conducted by T. W. Chapman.
This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. James George,
Master of the Guild.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE, THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, November 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. 26 lbs .
 Composed by Rev. H. Earle-Buliver, and Conducted by George Willtams.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. George, of Rugby

## PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, November 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL DF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5248 GHANGES;
Tenor 14 cwt. I qr. 16 lbs.
Frederick R. Borrett...Tyeble Ernest Whiting ... ... 5

| •Frank R. Copeman | ... | 2 | William Roope | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Charles Baker | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | 6 | | Charles Baker... | .. | 3 | William Steele | ... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frederick J. Roope | ... | 4 | Charles Roope | ... | ... Tenor |  | Composed by A. Knighis, and Conducted by F. R. Borrett.

* First peal in the method and first attempt.


## FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOC'ESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, November 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor I6 cwt. 2 qr .4 lbs.
Robert H. Hayward ...Tyeble Edward Jenkins ... ... 5
*Stanley Bonney $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ William Burgess ...
Hobart E. Smith ... ... 3 William Flory ... ... 7 *W. Stanley Clark ... 4 George E. Simonds ...Tenor Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by George E. Symonds.

* First peal of Treble Bob.

BILSTON, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Thursday, Nowember 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Leonard,

## A PEAL DF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor il cwt.
Johit Harper … ... ...Treble Edgar Marlow .... ... 5 Jesse Screen ... ... ... 2 Christopher Wallater 6 James Tyler $\quad . . \quad$......$\quad 3 \quad$ Frank W. Perrens ... 7

Edward Hortin

Conducted by Frank W. Perrens.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. James George and to the conductor. Grandsire was rung after meeting short for Stedman, Mr. John Harper kindly standing in to fill the vacancy. He was proposed a member of the Society previous to starting for the peal.

PONTYPRIDD, GLAMORGANSHIRE THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, November 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minates, At the Chorch or St. Katherine,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Vicar's.
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$
Josepe E Sykes Vicars. Treble Charles H Perry Alban E. Slatter... John W. Jones ... ... ... 3 Sidney Dawe ... Benjamin Thorp... ... ... 4 William Kathro ... ...Tenor Conducted by Benjamin Thorp.
First peal on the bells, which are a new ring of eight recently fixed by Messrs. Taylor \& Co. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. \}. E. Sykes, wife of the treble ringer, and also as a birthday compliment to Mr. James George, of Rugby, a much esteemed life member of the Llandaff Association.

TYLDESLEY, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Bolton Branch.) Ox Friday, November 28, 1913, in Three Hours and Siven Minutes,

At the Chorch of St George,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CNANGE ;

J. Aspinwall's Six-Part.
"Benjamin Allred ... ...Tveble David Ll. Rees $\quad . .$. Peter Nuttall ... ... 3 John Nottall $\ldots \quad . . .{ }^{4}$ Herbert Allr

* First peal in the method. This peal was arranged for D. Ll. Rees, who hails from Cadoxton, Neath, and was elected a member prevjous: to starting. The ringers of the $3 \mathrm{rd}, 4 \mathrm{th}, 5^{\text {th }}$ and 6 th hail from Bolton, the rest belong to the local company

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, November 28, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Alkmund,
A PEAL OF DUFFIELD MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 17 cwt.
Albert H. Ward ... ...Tyeble John Flower ... ... ... 5
Walter Wallace ... ... 2 * Fred. W. Hill ...

- Alfred C. Wright ... ... 3 Henty Letis ...... George Dawson $\quad . .$. Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by Albert H. Ward.
* First peal in the method.


## LINDFIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Tro Hours and'Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thorstans' Four-Part.
Albert D. Stone ... ...Tyebre

...Treble Edward C. Merritt ... john Capp ... ... ... ... 2 Bert Challen... ... ... 6 | Richard Holder | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | Keith Hart | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| George | H. ... | ... | 7 |  |  |
| Howse | .. | $\ldots$. | 4 | Herbert Tomsett | .. |
| ....Tenor |  |  |  |  |  | Conducted by Keith Hart.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes:At the R.C. Cathedral of St. Chads,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Thurstans' Five-Part.
Harry Middleton ... ...Treble Morris J. Morris ... ... 2 Thomas J. Bratton ... ... 3 Fred Wilford

Conducted by Thomas H. Reeves.
Rung on the occasion of the festival to celebrate the 6oth birthday; of Mr. James George, of Rugby.

## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,.
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 GHANCES;
Tenor io cwt., in F sharp.
William Palmer ... ...Treble| George F. Swann... ... 5
Ernest Pye ... ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Samuel Grove......
James Houghton ... ... 3 Arthur Chambers .... ... 7 Alfred Davies

Composed $\quad . .{ }^{4}$
Harry Chapman .... ....Teno.v. Composed by Henry Dains, and Conducted by Samoel Grove.
Rung on the occasion of the festival to celebrate the 60 th birthdayof Mr. James George, of Rugby.

COGGESHALL, ESSEX.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Fiften Minutes, At tife Church of St. Peter ad Vincula,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 19 至 cwt.
 $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Ernest Newman } & \ldots & . . & 3 & \text { Ernest W. Beckwith } \\ \text { Ere } & 7 \\ \text { Frank Claydon } & \ldots & \ldots & 4 & \text { David Elliott }\end{array}$ Frank Claydon ... ..... .4 David Elliott 4 ... ...Tenor
Composed by Charles Middleton, and Conducted by William Keeble.

MILNROW, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Rochdale Branch.)
On Saturday, Novenber 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. James,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Five-Part. Tenor 20 cwt. Robert Buckley ... ...Treble $\mid$ Herbert Davenport ... 5 Hogh Reynolds ... ... 2 Joseph Greenwood ... 6 John Fitton... ... ... ... 3 Joen H. C. Massey ... 7 William Crabtree ... ... 4 | Harry Buckley ... ...Tenor Conducted by Hugh Reynolds.
Messrs. Crabtree and Davenport hail from Todmorden, and Reynolds from Stockport. The others belong to the local band.

HEPTUNSTALL, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Novenber 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

## Tenor 18 cwt . I qr.

Thomas Robertshaw
James Ingham ... ...
...Treble Francis Robertshaw Wright Ingham $. . . \quad . . .3$ Redben Nowell ... ... 7 John Armstrong ... ... 4 Jeremiah Robertshaw ...Tenor Composed by H. Hubbard, and
Conducted by Thomas Robertshaw.
Rung on the first anniversary of the dedication of the bells, and the birthdays of the ringers of the treble and tenor. First peal of Major by all the band, and first attempt by the 2nd and 7 th ringers.

## EAST TYTHERLY, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.

William T. Tucker... ...Treble Frederick J. Oxenbury ... 2 William H. Crete ... ... 3 Wliliam C. Lampard $\quad$ Conducted by 4
First peal as conductor.
BALDERSTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE OLDHAM SOCIETY.
On Saturday, Novimber 29, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Mary,
a peal of kent treble bob major, 5056 changes; Tenor 123 cwt.

| Joseph Ogden ... ... ...Treble | Harry Hampson |
| :---: | :---: |
| Samuel Stott | Edwin B. Shav |
| Frank Wild ... ... ... 3 | Herbert Barlow |
| Samuel Butterworth ... 4 | Charles E. Platt ... ...Tenor |
| Composed by C. H | Hattersley, and |
| Conducted by H | rry Hampson. |
| on, with the 5th | ad 6th their extent in 5-6, is now |
| for the first time. First pea | Major on the bells. Rung as a |
|  |  |

TICHMARSH, NORTHANTS
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor $x_{7} \mathrm{cwt} 3 \mathrm{qr} .22 \mathrm{lbs}$., in E .

Fred Stubbs...$\quad$......${ }^{2}$ Leonard J. Wyman ... 6 William J. Gilbert ... 3 Frank Kirk ... ... ... 7 James Hudson ... ... ... 4 James M. Nickerson ...Tenoy Composed by Henry James Tucker, and Conducted by James M. Nickerson.

* First peal on eight bells. First peal on the bells s:nce they were recast by Messrs. Gillett \& Johnston, the "go " of them being all that can be desired. The peal was a birthday compliment to Mr. Fred Stubbs.

DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIUN.
On Sunday, November 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES : Tenor 20 cwt .
James Motts ... ... ...Treble Edin F. Pike... ... ... 5
William J. Groom... ... 2 William Hewett ... ... 6 William C. Rumsey.. .3 William Grimes ......$\quad 4$ Alfred W. Grimes... ...Tenor: Composed by Edwin Barnett, Senr., and Conducted by James Motts.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

GREENS NORTON.
THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, November 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes. At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Walter Charles Starmer Treble $\mid$ "R. Arthler Hornsby ... 4 †George W. Beesley.. .2 John W. Unwin ... ... 3 J. Wilfred Sharp... ...Tehor Conducted by J. W. Sharp.

* First peal. † First peal in the methol. First peal in the method as conductor and called first attempt. Rung to celebrate the 22nd anniversary of the restoration of the church.

WOLVERLEY, KIDDERMINSTER.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.. (Northern Branch.)
On Sunday, November 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes. At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
a Peal of plain bob minor, 5040 changes;
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ cwt.
Fredrick V. Haggis... ...Treble Charles H. Woodberry 4
Thomas J. Salter ... ... 2 William Smith ... ... 5 Ernest J. Brookes ... ... 3 John Smith .. ... ....

Conducted by Chas. H. Woodberry.
The ringer of the treble hails from Stafford and this was his first peal.

## PETTISTREE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, November 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Double Court, Plain Bob, Oxford Delight, Woodbine, Kent, and two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob.
Ernest G. Cooper ... ...Treble David Leggett ... Robert G. Miles...$\quad$... 2 Charles E. Fisher.. .4 Alfred Clements...$\quad$... 3 Wilfiam B. Refve ...Temo: Conducted by Charles E. Fisher.
Rung as a birthday compliment to R. G. Miles.

TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

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

Tenor 20 cwt .

| Fredk. C. M. Skinner | ...Tyeble | Bertie F. Turner ... | ... | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Fredk. Seager... | ... | $\ldots$ | 2 | George Snelling |

 Conducted by J. Snelling.

* First peal in seven methods away from the treble.

BRINDLE, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Preston Branch.)
On Tuesday, November 25, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, College Single, Plain Bob, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 12t cwt.
-Fred Berry
†Thomas Stott ... ... .... ${ }^{\text {*Thomas Blackwell ... }}{ }_{5}$ William Sharples ... $\cdots$... 3 William Fowler ...... Tenor Conducted by John Fowler.

* First peal in seven methods. † First peal in seven methods away from the treble. $\ddagger$ First peal as conductor.

RODMERSHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, November 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,

## At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF RHNOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob, two each of College Single, and three of Oxford Bob, each called differently. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Frederick Brown ... ...Treble |*Leonard Baker ... ... 4
Charles Tomber $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ George Eastman....
James Nye ... ... ... ... 3 William Nye ... ... ... Tenor Conducted by William Nye.

- First 5040.


## WINFARTHING, NORFOLK.

IHE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, November 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR 5040 CHANCES ;

Being 720 each of Bourne, Netherseale, Norwich, and Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. Fredk. C. M. Skinner ...Tyeble | Fredk. Seager ... ... 4 | Bertie F, Turner | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | George Snelling... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Clarence Gooch | John Sneleing | $\ldots$ | ...$T$ Tenor |  |  | Clarence Gooch $\quad \ldots \quad$... 3 John Sneleing ... ...Tenor Conducted by B. F. Turner.

## WOLLASTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Thursday, November 27, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-fow Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Being 720 each of Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob and Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 12t cwt.
Joseph H. Parsons... ...Tveble Joslph Pigott ... ... ... 4
 Joun Bass ......$\quad$......$\quad 3$ Robert Matthews ... ...Tenor Conducted by R. Matthews.
This peal was specially arranged as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. George, of Rugby.

POWICK, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Western Branch.)
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury, Grandsire and Plain Bob. Tenor 23年 cwt. William Ranford ... ...T Treble $\mid$ Gordon Checketts... ... 4 William C. Jones.... ... 2 Robert G. Knowles ... 5 George Hinton, Junr. ... 3 William Page ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by W. Page.
Rung as the Western Branch quarterly peal.

## BLAISDON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Three Honrs and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

A PEAL OF BOB WINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

## Being seven 720's

*Chas. Heath ... ... ...Treble
*Fredk Preston
Jesse Gil $\cdots \cdots{ }^{2}$.... Ex-Sergt. J. Williams ... 5 Jesse Gillett ... ... ... 3 | Thomas Hart ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by John Austin.

* First peal and belongs to the local band. Rung to commemorate the anniversary of the rededication of the bells.


## CODDINGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE. <br> THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLE3, 5040 CHANCES;

$$
\text { Tenor II } \frac{1}{2} \text { cwt. }
$$



* First peal. First peal as conductor. This is the first peal on the bells by an entirely local band and was rung at the first attempt. It was rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. T. Hodges and Miss N. Beatley, the band wishing them all happiness.


## CORNWOOD, DEVON

## THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD

On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in $F$. | Rev. Everard S. Powell Treble | Walter H. Marsh | ... | 4 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Reginald A. H. Dobson ... | 2 | Frank Hockaday | .. | $\cdots$ | 5 | Warren Hornbrook... ... 3 Ernest W. Marsh ...Tenor Conducted by Ernest W. Marsh.

* First peal on the bells. Rung on the eve of St. Andrew's Day.

DENBY, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Three Hours,

At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Bob, Double Court, Oxford
Bob, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 93 cwt.

Herbert Torner ... ...Treble $\mid$ Arthor Freeman ... ... 4 | William Halford | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Edward C. Gobey ... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Joseph Hall | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | William Thornley ... | ...$T e n o r$ |

Conducted by Edward C. Gobey.

* First peal and first attempt. First peal on the bells. Rung on the eve of St. Andrew's Day. The band wish to thank the Rev. F. S. Boissier for the nse of the bells, also for entertaining the company to tea after the peal.


## ELSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> (Southern Branch.) <br> On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being 720 each of Single Court, Double Court, Single Oxford, Double - Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor Io cwt. J. Frank Proctor ... ...Treble lliam G. Thorpe ... 4 Rev. C. J. Sturion... ... 3 Rthert Richardson .... Tenor Conducted by Ropert Richardson.
This is the conductor's I 50 th peal.

## BINFIELD, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (Sonning Deanery Branch.)
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCE8:

Being three 720's Plain Bob, four 720 's Kent Treble Bob, each 720 called differently.

* Charles Pither

Tenor 10 cwt.
Charles Pither ... ...Treble
†Harold Hale
..... ... 2 ... ... ... 3 Sydney Gearing ERNEST C John Rance Conducted by F Harry Bungay

* First peal. + First with bob bell. Rung on the eve of St. Andrew's Day.

STUTTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, November 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor ir
Edgar Rivers ... ... ...Tyeble Harry J. Mee... ... ... 4
William Die ... ... ... 2 George W. Mee ... ... 5
Robert H. Hayward ... 3 | Frank Rolfe ... ... ...Tenot
Conducted by Edgar Rivers.
These are new bells cast and hung by Mr. Alfred Bowell, Ipswich, and the above is the first peal on them.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

WHITBY, YORKSHIRE.
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, November 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Nineteen Minutes, In the Belfry of St. Mary's Church,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Mervyn Dock ... ... I-2 | George F. Alexander... 5-6 Albert Coates ... ... 3-4 | William A. Breckon ... 7 - 8 Composed and Conducted by George F. Alexander, Umpire: Frank S. Hodgson.
Rung upon a new fine-toned peal of handbells by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of London.

## LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Wednesday, November 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes, At i2g, Brunswick Street, Haggerston

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Alfred W. Grimes ... Holt's Original.

| Challis $F$. Winney | $\cdots$ | I- | W-4 | Wraler S. Wise ... | $\cdots$ | $5-6$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ernest G. Stibbons | $\cdots$ | $7-8$ |  |  |  |  | Conducted by C. F. Winney.

Umpires: Joseph Barry and Arthur D. Barker.
Witness: Robert W. Green, who heard the peal from two leads before the tittum change.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, November 26, 1913, in Two Hours and Sixteen Minutes.
At the Residence of A. H. Pulling,

## a PEAL OF STE日MAM TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Foor-Part.
Willoughby E. Majlden I-2 Alfred H. Pulling ... 3-4 Thomas W. Radford... 7 7-8 Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.
Umpires: S. Radford, C. H. Dobbie. Witness: Mrs. Pulling.
This peal was arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to Mr . and Mrs. Giles of Reading, also to Miss Radford, daughter of the ringer of 7-8. Rung after meeting too late for Stedman Caters.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, November 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At i29, Brunswick Street, Hagrerston,

## A PEAL OF 808 MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Miss Elsie L. Bennett I-2 Frank Bennett ... ... 5-6
Frank I. Hairs ... ... 3-4 Alfred W. Grimes ... 4 - 8 Composed and Conducted by Frank Bennett.
Messrs. T. King and E. F. Pike heard the greater part of the peal.

## KETTERING

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-fve Minutes, At 7, The Broadway,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

*Frederick W. Sawfoot I-2 David J. Nichols ... ... 5-6 J. Edward Chapman ... 3-4 tCecil Chapman ... ... 7 - 8 Composed by F. Bennett, and Conducted by David J. Nichols.
*First peal away from the tenor (on handbells). + First peal. C. Chapman, who is only 12 years old, was proposed a member before starting. It was the 100th peal rung by J. E. Chapman for the Association.

HINTON, EVESHAM.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Southern Branch.)
On Advent Sunday, November 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,
At the Residence of F. J. Johnson,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 42 Six-Scores comprising one each of Stedman's Slow Course and St. Simon, four of College Single, six each of Stedman, Canterbury and Plain Bob, eight of St. Dunstan's and ten of Grandsire.
Miss Ellen M. Johnson $\mathbf{1 - 2}$ | Joseph D. Johnson $\quad . .3$ 3-4 Miss Roth Johnson ... ... ... ... 5-6 Conducted by J. D. Johnson.
Umpire: Arthur Keyte. Witness: F. J. Johnson.
First peal in eight methods by all and rung at the first attempt, to commemorate the anniversary of the first peal by three children, which was rung by the above band on Sunday, December ist, 1912. The ages of the ringers are: Miss E. M. Johnson, I3 years 3 months, J. D. Johnson, $I_{4}$ years 8 months, Miss R. Johnson, in years 6 months.

The peal rung at Ludlow, on November 15th, was for the Hereford Guild.

In the peal at Stepney, on November i3th, the ringer of the tenor was George Barrell, not Barrett as published.

The ringer of the 2nd in the peal of Stedman Triples at Bristol on November Igth was Edgar, and not Edward Guise.
A few peals are unavoidably beld over till next week, and owing to the great pressure on our space other reports are also crowded out.

We are asked to state that the peal of Grandsire Triples at Appledore, Devon, on Easter Monday, should have been credited to the Devonshire Guild.

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...
...
Stedman Cinques
Stedman Caters

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## A RINGER AT ELEVEN.

In other columns this week we record the doings of several juvenile ringers, and on this page we give the photograph of Joseph Beale, the eleven-year old son of the Churchwarden of Wolvey, Warwickshire, who has just rung his first quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles. He is a

pupil of Mr. A. R. Oldham, of Barwell, and when he rings he has to stand on a high box to reach the sallie. We hope to see him soon taking part in a peal.

Wolvey, where he has learnt to ring, originally possessed three bells, but they were recently re-cast into six, with a tenor of 12 cwt.

## GUILDFORD SURPRISE.

5088 by Gabriel Lindoff.

| 23456 | M | W | II |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 24536 |  | 1 | 2 |
| 35426 |  | 2 | 2 |
| 52364 | 2 | 2 |  |
| 25463 | 2 |  | 2 |
| 23564 | 2 |  | 1 |
| Twice repeated. |  |  |  |

First rung at Guildford on November 25th, 1913. Peals in this method must be specially composed, as peals of Bristol and Treble Bob will not run true.

## ODD CHANGES.

The three children of Mr. F. J. Johnson on Sunday commemorated their first peal on handbells by ringing another in no fewer than eight methods of Doubles. The youngest. of the band is only $11 \frac{1}{2}$ years and the oldest just over $14 \frac{1}{2}$.. It is really a remarkable achievement.

The first peal of Treble Bob on the bells of Newmarket was rung on February 24th, 1903, by the Ely Diocesan Association, so that that published last week will not sustain the claim.

In view of the first peal on Shoreditch bells since their restoration, it is interesting to recall the previous one rung on the famous bells. From the peal book of Mr. A. J. Perkins, of South Beddington, we quote the following: St. Leonard's, Shoreditch.-On Saturday evening, April 3rd, 1886, ten members of the Royal Cumberland Youths: rang a peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal in 3 hrs . and 37 mins... George Newson, treble; Arthur Jacob, 2; Thomas: Titchener, 3 ; *Ackland J. Perkins, 4 ; James Hannington, 5 ; Henry Swain, 6 ; George Harvey, 7 ; Henry Hopkins, 8 ; Henry Dains, 9 ; James Barrett. tenor; composed and conducted by George Newson. This is a level 5,000, and has six courses in the tittums and four at home. *First peal of Royal.

The celebrations connected with Mr. James George's 6oth birthday were remarkable in their success and enthusiasm. Peals were rung in many parts of the country, showing the esteem in which Mr. George is held by a wide circle of friends, and the festivities culminated on Saturday in a big gathering of ringers in Birmingham. They came from places as far apart as London and Man-chester to do honour to the Master of the Warwickshire Guild, and Mr. George, we are sure, must have been impressed by the warmth and sincerity of feeling which was exhibited. No fewer than 137 sat down to tea, and over 200 enjoyed the musical programme afterwards. It was surely the crowning point in the career of he who. is so widely and familiarly known as "James George, of" Rugby."

Congratulations to Cecil Chapman, of Kettering, who, at 12 years of age, has scored his first peal by ringing $7-8$ to 5,056 of Bob Major on handbells. One hears much in these days about young ringers, but there is something in a performance of this kind to be proud of.

Among ringers throughout the country the name of Nathan Pitstow is a household word, and the Exercise generally will learn with genuine regret of the serious illness of this gifted composer. He has, we feel sure, the best wishes of all for his speedy recovery.

The family of Pitstow, as we pointed out in a recent article, has made itself famous by the numerous members who have been successful im the art, and Harold, the latest addition, bids fair to equal the performances of any of the others. This boy is not yet 16 years of age, but he has just taken part in a peal of Cambridge Surprise Major. Very few ringers have accomplished a performance of: this kind at such an early age.

## LONDON RINGERS' ALARMING EXPERIENCE. CLOCK WEIGHT BREAKS BELFRY CEILING.

While ringing one evening last week in Spitalfields' tower, a party of the Middlesex Association had an alarming experience, and one of the band, at any rate, a narrow escape. A peal of Bristol was in full swing, when there was a sudden and frightful crash, and a shower of iboards, mortar and rubbish came down into the ringing room, upon the ringers of the treble and second. The former was struck on the head by a boarl, and both were smothered in dust and dirt. On looking up, a big hole was seen gaping in the ceiling, and some of the band went upstairs to investigate. It was then foumd that one of the clockweights, weighing some 4 cwt. or so, had fallen and smashed the floor and ceiling beneath, but by a miracle, had itself lodged upon a projection. But for this, it would have gone into the ringing chamber, and in all probability would have killed the ringe: of the sccond, for it was found just over the spot where he had stocd. It seems that the staple comnecting the weight with the chain had snapped. No doubt it had become rusted, and the vibration of the tower may, perhaps, have proved too much for it. But whatever the cause, the ringers had a lucky escape. When it was over they were able to laugh at the precipitate flight of the second man, but one shudders to think what might have happened but for the lodgement of the weight.

## THE BELLS OF ST. ALBANS CATHEDRAL. <br> To the Editor

sir. - With your premission, I should like to add a few particulars o Mr. Jerram's interesting art cle in last week's edition of "The Ringing World." After describing the bells, Mr. Jerram mentions there is I Ting-Tang, no inscription, leading one to suppose that the bell was of little historic ralue. Spelaking of this bell, the late Thomas North says: 'F Mention must here be made of the 'Sanctus, or 'Priest's" bell, which is without doubt, although unmentionel by any of the chroniclers, a genuine piece of mediæval workmanship. Its comparative insignificance as regrards siee probably caused it to be neglected by them. It is quite deroid of inscription, but its 'long-waist' shape and its camons, unmistakably point it out as a mid-fourteenth century production-thus adding one to the thirty-one other Pre-Reformation bells of this county." I may mention that when the present Lady Chapel was used as the St. Albans Grammar School, the bell was theu used for school purposes. As regards the weight of tenor, it was always regarded as 30 cwt . before the cannons were broken off, but now

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## CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION

WELLINGGBOROUGH DISTRICT MEETING.
A meeting of the Wellingborough District of the Central Northants Assobciation was held at Higham Ferrers, ringers being present from Irthlingborough, Wellingborough, Finedon, Northampton, Earl's Barton, Burton Latimer, Isham and Raunds, together with the local men Although the gathering was not so large as it might have been, yet from a ringing point of view the meeting was very successful, some very good touches being rung and not a single one lost.
Tea and the business meeting were held in the Church Room, at which, in the absence of the Vicar, the Rer. W. Peppercorn (curate) presided, among those present being Miss E. Steele (of Bedford), the Rev. E. V. Cox (of Walsall), Messrs. W. Perkins (district secretary), F. Wilford, general secretary, etc.
It was resolred to hold the next meeting at Wilby.-A vote of thanks were accorded the Yicar for the use of the bells, also to the ringers and their wives for providing such a splendid tea
The Rev. W. Peppercorn replied on behalf of the Vicar, and also expressed the great personal pleasure at being with them.
Mr. Randall respondsd on behalf of the ringers. The methods rung during the day were: Grandsire, Stedman, Kent Treble Bob, Forward Major, Double Norwich and Superlative.

## RINGERS ENTERTAINED

On Saturday week, the Earlsheaton Society (Yorks) visited Pudsey, at the invitation of Mr. T. Mande. and spent a very enjoyable time. The ringing at the Parish Church inclacied a date touch (1913) of Kent Treble Bob Major, in 1 hr . 12 mins., by A. Goodall 1, W. Idle 2, W. H. Senior 3, Hemingway Dransfield 4, Herbert Dransfield 5, G. H. Hardy (composer and conductor) 6, W. Byram 7, G. Tkylor 8. Subsequently at the White Cross Inn, kept by Mr. W. Birks, one of the local ringers, friends from Pudsey, Halifax and Tong, met the visitors, and the party sat down to a substantial meat tea, to which ample justice was done. Then the handbells were brought into use, and a course of Grandsire Royal was rung by: G. H. Hardy 1-2, A. Goodall 3-4, G. Taylor 5-6, W. Idle 7-8, W. Byram 9-10. Touches of Kent Treble Bob, Grandsire and Bob Major were afterwards rung, and a fine course of Oxford Treble Bob Minor, by two sets of ringers at the same time, the bells in one case being an octave higher than in the other. Judging from remarks passed, there is a likelibood of two peals being attempted in the near future. Before the evening drew to a close, Mr. Hardy, on behalf of the Darlsheaton Society, thanked Mr. Maude for the way he had entertained them and for having arranged for the

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE'S BUSINESS.
At the meeting of the Central Committee, held at Tonbridge on Saturday week, the Hon. Secretrary (the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore) reported that the reparation of James Barham's Memorial Stone in Leeds Churchyard had been carried out at the cost of $£ 310$ s.
The annual meet.ng was fixed for Whitsun Monday, June 1st, 1914 to be held at Maidstone
Several grants were made from the Belfry Repairs Fund, viz. : £2 2s. to Wye; £2 2s, to Hoo St. Werburgh; £1 1s, to Shorne, to be increased to $£ 33 \mathrm{~s}$. if two trebles are added; $£ 33 \mathrm{~s}$. to Higham, to be increased to $£ 44 \mathrm{~s}$. if a treble is added.
The report of the sub-comm titee appointed to draw up rules and regulations for the administration of the Benevolent Fund was carefully considered, and with one or two amendments was accepted. The sub-committee recommended that persons eligible for assistance shall be (a) old or disabled mombers (of not less than ten years standing) and (b) widows of members. The committee decided to delele the words of not less than ten $\overline{0}$ ears standing." It was also decided that ap plications should come through the secretary of the district in which the applicant or applicants reside, the words " and representative which appeared after "secretary" being deleted.
A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the Parish Room and for permission to ring after the meeting $w a_{s}$ passed.

## DEATH OF A CAMBRIDGE RINGER

We record with deep regret the death of Mr. Sydney Brown, Cambridge, sho passed nway with tragic suddenness on Nov. 17th, the age of 45 years. On the previous night lie retired to bed apparently in his usual health and spirits, but in the early hours of the morning his wife was aroused by her husband's difficulty in breathing, and although medical aid was at once summoned, the doctor, on his arrival, could only proncunce lifo extinct, death being due to heart failure.

For more than a quarter of a century the clecensed was a member of the Society of Cambridge Youths, and although a good ringer Standard methods, he was not ambitious ns to peals, being, instead content to help others. He was laid to rest in Old Ohesterton Chureh yard on Friday, amid manifestations of great eorrow. In the evening 168 and 420 Stedman Triples were rung with the bells muffled, Great St. Mary's Church, Cambridge, as a token of respect by the following members: W. B. Kempton, G. Taylor, J. Taylor, A. Wilkerson, J. B. Williamson, T. R. Dennis, F. F. Kempton, J. H. Freeborn, $F$. Dence (conductor), and P. Taylor. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved wife and other relatives in the loss they have sustained.

## THE MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.

IIEETING AT ST. GILES'-IN-THE-FIELDS.
A rery successful moeting of the North and East District of the Middlosex Association was held at St. Giles'-in-the-Fields on Saturday last, and was attended by between 50 and 60 members from all parts of the county, including the towers of Barnet, Clerkenwell, Edmon ton, Finchley, Hendon, Southgate, South Tottenham, Upper Clapton, Walthamstow, Heston, Isleworth, etc., with members of the local band A service was held in the fine old Parish Ohurch, conducted by the Rev. P. F. Prince, who, in the course of his address, gave a few details of the ancient Church of St. Giles'-n-the-Fields, one of the most interesting features of which is the splendid old organ, older even than th church itself.
After the service, the ringers adjourned to the Church House in Dyott Street, where, by the kindness of the Rector (the Rev. W. II Davies) tea was provided, the arrangements being admirably carrier out by Mrs. Prince and friends.
the meeting, which followed, the chair was taken by the Rev. HI E. Prince, who was supported by Messrs. A. T. King (president), F. A Milne (hon. treasurer), J. Armstrong (master), C. T. Coles (hon. secretary), etc. Fifteen new members were admitted to the Association.

Mr. A. T. King proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector for his kindly thought for the members in providing tea for them that day, and for the us of the bells: to the Rev. P. E. Prince for his interesting address at the scrvice; to Mrs. Prince and her friends, whose presence at tea was so much appreciated; to the organist and others who had helped at the service; and to Mr. H. Boxall for having got the bells in readiness. He also wished to thank tho Rev. C. J. Parker, who had so kindly placed the bells of St. James', Clerkenwell, at the disposal of the Association.-The Hon. Secretary seconded, and the vote of thanks on being put to the meeting was carried with great enthusiasm.
The Rev. P. E. Prince, in reply, welcomed the Association to St. Giles' in-the-Fields. on behalf of the Rector, who was unfortunately prevented from attending the mecting. He said how glad he was to see so many present, and especially some of his old friends from Heston. He wisheal the Association every success, and hoped that they would soon pay another visit to St. Giles'-in-the-Fields.
Ringing in many melhods took place during the afternoon and evening, and in the evening a party visited Clerkenwell, where the local ringers gave them a hearty welcome, and joined in many touches,

## Chelmsford Cathedral Tenor Bell.



The new ring of 12 bells (Tenor 34 cwt 2 qrs. 22 lbs .) for Chelmsford Cathedral was dedicated by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans on Saturday, September 27th, 1913.

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## NOTICES.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on December 16th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 3oth ; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 18th; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the gth ; and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the $23 r d$; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays; St. Magnus, $7 \cdot 30$; the others, 8 p.m. The subscription of is. $8 \mathrm{~d} .$, which entitles members to vote on matters of finance, should be paid before February 28th. - William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W

GUILD FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP. -The next quarterly neeting of the above Guild will be held at Wellington on Saturday, December 6th, 1913. Ringing at 3 p.m. Business meeting at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m.-Rev. H. B. Beckwith, Honorary Secretary, Ridgemount, Shrewsbury.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. - The next meeting of this society will be held at Staveley on Saturday, December 6th. Church of St. John the Baptist, 8 bells, tenor 19 cwt., available 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. I shall be glad to receive at this meeting all outstanding subscriptions for 1913 , particularly from unattached members. I would remind members of the new rule, by which all those who are two years in arrear now lose their membership. Also I shall be glad to receive any further donations towards the Eckington Bells Funds at this meeting, as this fund will shortly be closed.-J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, 38, Rutland Park, Sheffield.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (North Bucks Branch).-A quarterly meeting will be held at Bletchley, on Saturday, December 6th next. Service at 3 p.m. -Thos. Best, Secretary, Bletchley.
THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIA-TION.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Cold Higham, on Saturday, December 6th, ringing at 3 p.m., tea at 5 p.m. Business after tea. A free tea.-J. Slarke, Brackley Road, Towcester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -- The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Bury, on Saturday, December 6th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.-J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-A meeting for practice will take place at Cropthorne, on Saturday, December 6th. Bells available at 3 p.m.-J. Hemming, Branch Secretary.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-A ringing meeting will be held at Bicester, Oxon, on Saturday, December I 3 th, at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m., tea ( 6 d . per head) 4.30. Will those who wish to attend please notify me by December irth.-Rev. C. Jenkyn, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern Division.-The next quarterly meeting will be held on December I 3 th, at St. Clement's, Hastings. Ringing from 3 to 5 o'clock. Service, 5 to $5 \cdot 30$. Tea by kind invitation of the Rector (Rev. H. C. B. Foyster, M.A.), after service. Members wishing to be present at tea must let me know by Wednesday, December roth. Will Secretaries of bands kindly note that subscriptions for 1913 are overdue.-Geo. H. Howse, Divisional Secretary.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Liverpool Branch.-A meeting will be held at Garston on Saturday,

December 13 th. Bells ready at 4. Tea at 5.30. Members intending being present please send word to Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - North-Western District.-The annual meeting for this district will be held at Bishop Stortford, on Saturday, December i3th. Service at 4.45 p.m. Short address by the Vicar (the Rev. H. T. Lane). Tea and business meeting will be held at the Chequers Hotel at 5.15 p.m. Bells available afternoon and evening. Tea, 6d. each, to members giving notice not later than first post Thursday, December IIth.-William Watts, District Secretary, Mont House Cottage, Stansted, Essex.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next monthly meeting will be held at the Manchester Town Hall, on Saturday, December 13 th. The bells will be available for ringing from 3 to $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., the meeting to follow immediately after. The annual reports can be had at this meeting. Subscriptions are now due.-W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester District.-A quarterly meeting of this district will be held at St. Mary Magdalene, Gillingham, on Saturday, December $13^{\text {th }}$. Tower open from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. till 9 p.m. Business meeting at 6 p.m.-Edward A. G. Allen, Hon. Secretary.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.meeting for practice will be held at Batley Carr, or Saturday, December 13th. Bells available from 3 p.m -F. Salmons, Secretary.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Late the St. James' Society, Established 1824). -Southern District -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, December 2oth, at St. Paul's, Hammersmith. Tower open from 4 to 7.45 p.m. Business meeting at 8 p.m. All members and friends invited.-F. A. Smith, Hon. Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch.-The next monthly meeting will be held at East Crompton, on Saturday, December 2oth. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 6.30.-Joseph Ogden Branch Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.A meeting for practice will be held at St. Mark's, Preston, on December 2oth. Bells available from 3.-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Ringing for Divine service at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields the first Sunday in the month, and at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, the third Sunday, both at io o'clock. Meetings for practice at Shoreditch the second Wednesday and at St. Sepulchre's, Snow Hill, the fourth Wednesday in every month, at $7 \cdot 30$.-F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. F. W. Rice has removed from Threc Bridges, Sussex, to 74, High Street, Sydenham, S.E.

## AN APPEAL.

WANTED.-£I2O to complete the rehanging of the bells of Upton Snodsbury Church, Worcestershire. Population 270, nearly all poor. The bells have not been rung

Ior 30 years. Peal of 6 , tenor $F$. Lovers of bells, please help us. All donations acknowledged.-Write to Vicar, Upton Snodsbury, Worcester.

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## GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

PRESENTATION TO THE LATE HON. SEGRETARY.
The annual social and ringing mecting of the Devonshire Guild was held at Exeter, and attracted a recordi attendance to do honour to the late hon. secretary (the Rev. G. E. F. Molineux), to whom a presentation was made by the members at the meeting. The bells of the Cathedral and Parish Churohes of St. Sidwell, St. David's, S. Thomas's, St. Petrock and THeavitree were kept going continually by the 20 bands represented at the gathering.

At the close of the tea, the President (Rev. M. Kelly) presented Mr. Moiineux with a study clock in the Chippendale style, with Westminster chimes, and an illuminated address bearing the names of the subscribers. He pointed out that the movement was a sponlaneous one on the part of the performing members themselves, and that the labour of communioating with the various bands and collecting the subscriptions had been undertaken by Mr. E. W. Marsh (Plymouth). Mr. Molineux had been secretary of the Guild longer than anyone else who had held the offices. When he undertook the duties 14 years ago there were 18 bands in union and 192 performing and associate members; now, the numbers were 37 and 380 . He hoped the clock and address would remind Mr . Molineux of the many pleasant associations he had had with the bands, and the yood fellowship which had always existed between him and them. He expressed the satisfaction of the Guild at the fact that while the Guild had lost him as hon. secretary, he would retain the money bags, as he had done much to put the Guildi in a sound financial position, the balance in hand having been increased from $£ 23$ to $£ 57$.
Mr. E. W. Marsh, speaking in appreciation of the help which Mrs. Molineux had given in the secretarial work, asked her acceptance of a silver-plated lamp. He expressed his thanks to the members for the general and ready response which had been made to the appeal.
Rev. G. E. F. Molineux said he felt it difficult to thank the Guild adequately for the presents to himself, and especially to his wife, who had becn of invaluable service to him, not only in the work of the office, but also in instruction in change ringing on handbells. Personally, ringing had been a source of the greatest delight to him. He had had infinite pleasure in doing the work of the hon. secretary, and recognition of his services therein had been the last thing he had expected.
DUNSTABLE.-At the Priory Church, on Sunday, Oct. 26th, 720 Bob Minor, 6-8 covering: *R. Harris 1, S. B. Dobbie 2, G. Heley 3, F. Bal rlock 4, Rev. W. W. C. Baker (conductor) 5, S. Franklin 6, A. E. Sharman 7, *13. Swanell 8. * First 720 and first attempt.

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## St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton.

## Tenor (33 cwt.) of the New Ring of 12.

 WULFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON,MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON. 4th March, 1012. Gentlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten bella with the addition of two sem ones in the to der of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, reoently carried cut by you tas proved most successful, and given seneral satisfaction.

1 am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased whey are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualifed to fadge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peris in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BECE

Architect. Diocesan Survejor.

## INTER-AFFILIATION.

A correspondent, whose letter appears in another column, revives the suggestion of the introduction of some method by which members of one Association could take part in peals under the auspices of another, without being put to the expense of a joining fee, which, for non-resident members, is usually five shillings. The idea was first put forward by Mr. W. H. Godden, at the Henry Johnston dinner at Birmingham nearly two years ago, and at the time we urged that it was for those to whom the suggestion appealed, to see that the matter was considered in the proper quarter.

Until now, however, no one has chosen to take up the question, but our correspondent, Mr. Atwell, intends to have the matter discussed at the annual meeting of the Llandaff Diocesan Association on Boxing Day, and for that purpose has given notice of a resolution. His intention is, if possible, to get the Association to bring the subject to the notice of the Central Council in the hope that some scheme may be drawn up and put into operation. From the way in which Mr. Atwell's resolution is framed it appears to us that he is rather overloading it with detail. Assuming that a scheme such as he suggests is adrisable and acceptable, the actual details must surely be left to be worked out after the principle has been approved, and if there are risks of its rejection, it is a pity to add to them by inserting at this stage definite rules which might, on consideration, be found unsuitable.

From the point of view of ringers who are able to move about the country for their peals, a scheme of inter-affiliation would doubtless be an advantage, and it might stimulate inter-change of visits where, perhaps now, the question of expense may bar the way. But the financial side as it affects the associations cannot be ignored. Some of these organisations have over a couple of hundred members residing outside their geographical area, and, had there been an inter-affiliation scheme in force, it is conceivable that it might have made a considerable difference to the finances of these societies. Consequently, those who are responsible for the monetary affairs will not, we can believe, readily sacrifice such a source of income. On the other hand, the individual must be considered. The interests of the indiviclual are often the interests of the Association, and anything which will increase the interest and activity of the individual cannot be lightly thrust aside. At any rate, the steps to be taken by Mr. Atwell will probably lead eventually to the matter being discussed by the only body which can effectively deal with the subject.

## CHARLES CARR, ${ }^{\text {LT0 }}$



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Broomfleld Vicarage, Chelmsford ear Sirs,
I have great pleasure in atating that we are perfectly satisfled with the manner in which you have carried out the work entrusted to rou of re-arranging and re-hanging the Broomfleld Charch Bells.
We consider that the work reflacts grest credit upon your frm, and belleve that your system of nanging the bells reduces the vibration of the steel frame sapplied by you to a minimum.
The CHURCHWARDENS unite with ME in this expression of opinion. The BELLRINGERS are also unanimous in their praise of the alterations effected by you.

Yours truly,
CHAS. EDMUNDS, Vicar of Broomfleld.
شessra. C. CARR, LTD.
Smethwick.
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TEN BELL PEALS.
SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGFIAM.
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Three How's and Thirty-seven Minutes. At the Parish Chorch,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES
Tenor 20 cwt., in E flat.

| James E. Groves | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Tyeble | Adolpitus Roberts | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Arthur Chambers | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Samuel Grove | $\ldots$ |
| Alfred... | 7 |  |  |  |  |
| Alfessian | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | James H. Shepherd | $\ldots$ |

Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by Samuel Grove

## 1.ONDON

THE MIDDIFSEN (COUNTY ASSOCIATIUN ANI) LONDON DIOCESAN GUII.D.
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Three Howrs and Thirty-six Minutes. At the Chorch of St. Sepulchre, Holborn,
: PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MOYAL, 5040 CHANEES;
Tenor 3I cwt. o qr. If lbs.
Isaac G. Shade ... ...Treble $\mid$ Reuben Sanders ... ... 6
*Arthur J. Neale ... ... 2 James E. Davis ... ... 7
Charles T. Coles ... ... 3 William J. Nudds... ... 8
Bertram Preivett ... ... 4 Alfred W. Grimes ... 9
George R. Pye ... ... 5 William Pye ... ... ... Tenor
Composed by William Pye, and
Conducted by Bertram Prewett.

* First peal of Cambridge Royal.


## LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minufes,
At the Chorch of St. Dunstan, Stepney,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 CHANCES;
Tenor 3 I cwt.
Henry Springall ... ...Treble *Robert W. Green... ... 6
Samuel E. Joyce ... ... 2 William Langdon ... ... 7 William Tross ... ... ... 3 Thomas Langdon .... ... 8 Herbert Langdon ... ... 4 Thomas H. Taffender... 9 James Scholes ... ... ... 5 Emmantel Hall ... ... Tenor

Composed by York Green, and Conducted by H. Springall.

* First peal of Royal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr, E. Hall.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE:
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Saturday, Ieccmber 6, 1913, in Thiee Hours and Thirtecn Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGE8;
Herbert Sheppard... ...7 reble Alfared Rowley ... ... 6 Samoll Baker ... ... 2 John Goodmañ, Junr. ... 7 William R. Small......$\quad 3$ Benjamin Gough $\quad . .$. John W. Jones... ...

William Fisher ... ... 9 John Goodman, Senr.

Composed by B. Jealoos, and
Conducted by John Goodman, Junr
This peal was especially arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. John W. Jones, of Newport (Mon.), hon. secretary of the Llandaff Diocesan Association. It was also H. Sheppard's 50 th peal, and his first attempt for a peal after his serious accident.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

THORNABY•ON-TEES, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, November 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minules, At the Church of St. Paul,


## DISS, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Novenber 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Sevcn Minutes, At the Church of St. Magy,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Heywood's Variation. Tenor 24 cwt.
John Smith ... ... ... ...Treble George Archer ... ... 5
Arthur J. Leeder ... ... 2 Ellis Hayward ..... .6
Thomas Ford, Junt. ... ... 3 John Souter ... ... ... 7
Clement More ... ... ... 4 William Ireland ... ... Tehor Conclucted by John Souter.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Arthur J. Leeder.

## HASLEMERE, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sathrday, November 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES; 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Charles Edwards ... ...Treble | Alfred R. Elkins ... ... 5 William Hayes ... ... 2 Michael Brown ... ... 6
Thjmas Mack
 Conducted by C. Edwards.
Rung on the eve of All Saints' Day.

## CARDINGTON, BEDS

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes, Aj the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES; Tenor 20 cwt .
Frank Smith Herbert L. Harlow ...Treble Charles Chasty

Horace Smith... ... ... 6
Miss Evelyn Steel... ... 3 Harry Tysoe ... ... ... 7
Joseph Chorch
Composed by Henry Dains, and
Conducted by John W. Barker.
Rung after meeting one short for Cambridge Surprise.

WOLSTANTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret, A PEAL OF GTEJBAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGE\%;

A Variation of Thurstans'.
Tenor I4 cwt., in F .
*Ernest Landon ... ...Tyeble
James W. Washbrook, Junr. 2
*William Allman ... ... 3
Walter R. Washbroor ... 4
 Conducted by W. Fitchford.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-five Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6048 CHANGES;
Harry Hall ... ... ...Treble | Leslie C. Wightman ... 5 Edward Jenkins... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ William Burgess ...... Horace Bedingfield ... 3 David G. Wightman ... 7 George A. Wightman ... 4 Alfred S. Wightman ...Tenor Composed by W. Harris, and
Conducted by David G. Wighiman.
Longest length by all except the ringers of the 7 th and tenor. Longest length on the bells and rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

HECKINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Northern Branch.)
On Monday, December 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At ihe Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES B
Cleal's Variation of Holt's Ten-Part. Tenor 20 cw t.
Rev. H. Law James ...Treble *Arthor Dixon ... ... ... 5
*Christopher Ward... .. 2 *Thomas Humberstone ... 6
*Walter H. Wood ... ... 3 William Dickenson ... 7
*Harvey Bowcock ... ... 4 John H. Clark ... ...Tenor
Conducted by Rev. H. Law James.

* First peal of Grandsire Triples. Rung for St. Andrew's Day.

FARNHAM ROYAL, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(East Berks and South Bucks Branch.)
On Monday, December 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Six-Part, No. il.
Tenor I2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

| William Henley | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | *William J. Bateman | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Alfred Bateman | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | James Elderfield... | .. | Joseph J. Parker ... ... 3 George Basden ... ... 7 George H. Gutteridge ... 4 William Clarke ... .... Tenoy Composed and Conducted by J. J. Parker.

- First peal on eight bells away from the tenor. Rung to celebrate Queen Alexandra's 69 th birthday.


## ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.
On Monday, December 1, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;
C. Bowers ... ... ... ...Treble Samuel Wood ... ... ... 5

Jonathan Broadbent...$\quad 3$ John Harrison ... $\quad . .$.
Charles Broadbent ... 4 | Samdel Booth ... ... ....Tenor
Composed and Conducted by Sameel Wood.
Rung as a compliment for the 6oth birthday of Mr. James George.
PONTEFRACT, YORKS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIOIV
On Monday, December 1, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Church of All Saints,
4. PEAL OF BOUSLE NORWIGN COUST BOD HASOR, 5040 CHANGES ; Tenor I2 $\frac{1}{4}$ cwt.

| *Bernard Moody | ...Tieble | Thomas M. Barker... | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William Pearson | 2 | James Jacksox | 6 |
| Arthur Walker | .. 3 | Arthur Gill |  |
| Harry Walters | .. 4 | *John H. Lenton | Tenor |

Arthur Walker

| 3 | A |
| :--- | :--- |
| 4 | * J |

ArthUr Gill ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 7$
Composed by Arthur Knights, and
Conducted by John H. Lenton.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.


## HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIUN.
On Monday, December 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

## Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 8 cw . o qr. 3 lbs ., in A flat.

 Alfred W. Grimes ... ...Treble William Hewett ... 5 Rev. William C. Pearson 2 Alfred B. Peck ... ... 6 Edwin F. Pike ... ... ... 3 William J. Nevard ... ... Conducted by James Motts.
## CODDENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORTVICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Monday, December 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB RAAJOR, 5088 CHANGES ;

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lbs., in $F$ sharp.


#### Abstract

James Motis ... ... ...Tveble | William J. Nevard  Edwin F. Pike ... .... ... 3 William C. Remsey ... 7 Alfred W. Grimis ...

Comp.... 4 Composed by Arther Knights, and Conducted by James Motrs.


## STANSTED, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, December 1, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

|  | Tenor | wt. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John Luckey | ...Treble | Walter Prior... ... |
| George Jordan | ... 2 | Thomas J. Watts ... ... 6 |
| Thomas Jordan | -.. 3 | William T. Prior ... ... 7 |

## Composed by Frederick Dench, and

Conducted by William Watts.
First peal in the method by all the band; also the first in the method on the bells. Great credit is due to Mr. J. Luckey for the way he rang the treble, he being in his 7 2nd year. The peal was rung in honour of Queen Alexandra's birthday and as a brithday compliment to Mr . F. M. Butler

## LONDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. On Monday, December 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas, Deptford,

## a peal of stedinan triples, 5040 Changes;

Pitstow's Variation:
Thomas H. Hawrins ...Treble Arthur J. Neale. Reginald Broggh ... George H. Daynes... ... 4

Tenor 20 cwt .

## Frank Bensett

 William H. Theobald ... 5 Edwin Barnett, Senr. ... 7 Frederick Gooch ... ...Trnor Conducted by Frank BennettRung on the birthday of H.M. Queen Alexandra and the ninth anniversary of the re-opening of the bells.

## LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (Late the St. James' Society.) On Tuesday, December 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, S.E., a PEAL OF StEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 ChahCES;
h. W. Haley's Variation. Frederick V. Martis ...Treble Thomas H. Taffender Christopher H. Hughes... 3 Arthur Jones

Tenor is ${ }^{3}$ cwt.
Arthur D. Barker
Charles W. R. Grimwood 6
Frederick J. Hardy ... 7 Richard N. Runham ...Tenor Richard N. Runham
...Tenor

## Conducted by Thomas H. Taffender.

Rung on the 16 th anniversary of the birth of the ringer of the treble, whose second peal it was and first away from the tenor.

## LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIA'TION.
On Wednesday, December 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road, S.E.,

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

 Tenor 20 cwt .John H. B. Hesse ... ...Treble Armiger J. Trollope ... 5
Edwin F. Pike ......
Alfred W. Grimes... ... 3 Frank I. Hairs... ... ... 7 *Robert W. Green... $\ldots . .4$ James E. Davis $\quad . .$. Composed by C. Middleton, and Conducted by James E. Davis.
*First peal in the method.

## WESTERHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wedinesday, December 3, 1913, in Threc Honrs and Twelve Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF kent treble bob major, 5056 Changes;
Tenor 234 cwt.
Henry J. Selby... ... ...Treble 'Edward J. Hoad ... ...
Arthur J. Lewis ... ... 2 Robert Brett-Smith ... 6
George B. Selby ... ... 3 Herbert Markivell ... 7 John W. Steddy ... ... 4 Thos. Groombridge, Sent. Tenor Composed by H. Darns, and
Conducted by Thomas Groombridge.

* First peal of Major and first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, Hon. Sec. of the Association. It is the first peal on the bells since being overhauled and tenor rehung by Messrs. Taylor \& Co.

PENTRE RHONDDA.
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCESI

Tenor 26 cwt . 3 qrs. if lbs., in $E$ flat.

 Composed by Henry Hubbard, and Conducted by Benjamin Thorpe.
First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec. of the Association.

## BRISTOL

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, December 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Church of All Saints (City),

## A PEAL OF OXfORD theble bob major, 5024 changes;

 Tenor 18 cwt . Fredk. W. Wades Composed by A.
Conducted by F isaac Long $\qquad$ Conducted by Fred G. May.
The peal was arranged and rung in honour of the 8oth birthday of the Lord Bishop of Bristol.

## MIDDLETON.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Rochdale Branch.)
On Thursday, December 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 Changes;
Tenor 12 a $^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
John Hollows ... ... ...Treble $\mid$ Thomas Oldham...$\quad$... 5 William Berry ......
 Thomas K. Driver

## Composed and Conducted by William Berry

First peal in any method by the conductor and the ringer of the 3rd, and rung at first attempt. Rung on the birthday of Annie Wellens, daughter of the ringer of the tenor.

## NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, December 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part.
Tenor I5 cwt. *John Goddard ... ... ...Tveble Francis E. B. Charles 5 William B. Biss ... ... 2 Frederick Atwell... ... 6 Victor A. Morgan ... ... 3 Charles Greedy ... ... 7 John W. Jones... ... ... 4 Arthor E. Morgan ...Tenor Conducted by Charles Greedy.

* First peal away from the tenor. First peal in the method as conductor. A. E. Morgan has now rung each bell in this tower to a peal. Arranged specially as a birthday compliment to J. W. Jones and W. B. Biss, both of them being 48 years of age on this day.


## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANCES;



## APPLEDORE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (The Romney Marsh and District Goild.) On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
A. E. Bames' Five-Part. Tenor i2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

Cyril Wenham ... ... ...Treble Percy Page ... ... ... 2 Highwood S. Humphery... 3 Archibald C. Kay ... ... 4 4 Albert Noakes ... ...Teno Conducted by H. S. Humphery.

George E. Kennett George Johnson ..... .5

BEACONSFIELD, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. (Late London Scholars.)
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary and All Angels,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES ; Tenor $2 I$ cwt. I qr. 7 lbs., in $E$ flat.
*William H. Fussell ...Tveble Albert E. Brightman ... 5 William Horne ... ... 2 Frank Bennett ... ... Joseph J. Pratt ... ... 3 Robert H. Young... ... 7 John Gransbiry ... ... 4 Richard Buckland... ...Tenor Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.

* 5oth peal during the current year. A complimentary peal in honour of the appointment of the Archdeacon of Bucks (the Rev. E. D. Shaw), who resides at Beaconsfield, as Suffragan Bishop of the county. The consecration of the new bishop will take place at Canterbury Cathedral on Jan. Ist, 19I4.


## KELSALE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Peter,

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

 Tenor i6? cwt.| George Hardy ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Tveble | George Wilson | ... | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Charles F. Bailey | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 |  |  |
| Allen F. Bailey | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | F. Gordon Thompson | $\ldots$ | | Allen F. Bailey | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Charles Sampson | ... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| James G. Rumsey | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Ernest S. Bailey | .. | ... | Tenor | Composed by C. Middeton, and

Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.

* First peal in the method.


## WOLVERHAMPTON.

TEE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Luke,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Thurstans' Four-Part.
Albert Little ... ... ...T Teble $\mid$ Rev. E. V. Cox ... ... 5
Daniel Jones ......$\quad$... 2 Christopher Wallater 6
Herbert Knight $\quad . . . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Frank W. Perrens ... 7
John C. Adams ... ..... .4 . 4 *Arthur E. Reed ... ...T Tenor Conducted by Herbert Knight.

* First peal in the method. Rung as a farewell peal to the Vicar (Rev. W. T. Milligan) who is leaving the town to take up duty in the village of Tong. Rung after meeting short for Double Norwich.


## BARWELL, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES; Tenor $16 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Arthur R. Aldham... ...Tyeble Geoffrey J. Stoneley ... 5 Walton J. Horton... ... 2 *Charles H. Belton ... 6 William A. Needham ... 3 *George P. Garner... ... 7 Rowland O. Pollard ... 4 E. Harry Stoneley ...Tenor Composed by Henry Johnson, and
Conducted by E. Harry Stoneley.

* First peal in the method. Rung in honour of the 8oth birthday of Mrs. R. Titley, who is patron of the living.


## OLDSWINFORD, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Three $\triangle$ Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES; Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
*Chas. Wm. Cooper... ...Treble $\ddagger$ R. Moors
†W. Newman ... ... ... 2 Thomas Heathcock "... ${ }^{\circ}$
†G. Popnell ... ... ... 3 *David Heathcock ... ... 7
$\dagger$ A. W. DODD ... ... ... 4 §JOSEPH SMITH... Composed by F. Hopgood, and Conducted by Joseph Smith.

* First peal and first attempt. $\dagger$ First peal of Major. $\ddagger$ First peal of Major away from the treble. § First peal of Major as conductor. David Heathcock was elected a member before starting.

RICKMANSWORTH, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 6,1913, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES; Tenor 20 cwt . o qr. 20 lbs .
Walter S. Inwood ... ...Tyeble William Hodgetts... ... 5 Thomas L. Simmons... ... 2 Charles N. Leman ......${ }_{3} \quad 3 \quad$ George N. Price... Henry Hodgetts ... ... 4 Frederick W. Brinklow Tenoy Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and Conducted by George N. Price.
First peal in the method on the bells.

## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANOES;
George H. Howse ... ...Treble Arthor W. Gravett ... 5 Albert D. Stone... Robert J. Dawe ... ... 3 Wilitam C. Hart ... ... 7 Edivard C. Merritt... ... 4 Keith Hart ... ... ....Tenor

Composed by Henry Dains, and Conducted by Keith Hart.

## HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES; 5040 CHANCES; Holt's Ten-Part. Tenor ig ${ }^{3}$ cwt.
*George Whiting ... ...Treble *Sidney W. Pilgrim... ... $56^{\text {*George Farnish }}$
$\dagger$ William Weedon ... ... 2 -George Farnish ... ... 6
*George Bennett ... ... 3 William T, Last ... ... 7
*Ernest E. Lanham ... 4 Edward Jenkins ... ... Tenor Conducted by George Whiting.

* First peal of Grandsire. + First peal of Grandsire away from treble.

ALDERMASTON, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Bradfield Deanery Branch.)
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES ; Tenor to cwt. I qr.
*George Parsons ... ...Tieble | Robert Frankom ... ... 5
Wililam Clark... ... ... 2 William J. Paice ... ... 6
Mies Eva Belcher... ... 3 Charles Giles ... ... 7
*Miss Mary Chillingworth 4 George Abery ... ... Tenor Composed by Rev. E. Bankes James, and Conducted by William J. Paice.

* First peal in the method. The thanks of the band are due to Mr . C. E. Keyser, who kindly provided tea after the peal.

AUGHTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
AND THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Decomber 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At Christ Chorch,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in $F$.
George Woodhall ... ...Treble Thomas Jennion ... ... 5 John Allen ... ... ... 2 John Gardner... ... ... 6 George R. Newton... ... 3 Edward Cadnce ... ... 7 James Marsh ... ... ... 4 John Turner ... ... ... Tenor Composed by Arthor Knights, and
Conducted by George R. Newion.
Rung in honour of the golden wedding-day of the Rev. W. T. Bulpit, the much esteemed Master of the Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

DRAYTON, BERKS
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Brook's Variation. Tenor 9 cwt. iqr. 20 lbs.
*Gordon Caudwell ... ...Treble Miss Kathleen Holifield 2 Albert E. Lock ... ... 3 Harry Holifield ... ... 4 Conducted by G. Holifield, Senr

* First peal of Stedman. $\dagger$ First peal.

GRIMSBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, December 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES; Tenor I5 甥 cwt.

W. Ernest Meffen
*Herbert I. Mingay
Percy C. Long $\quad .$.
Alonzo W. Long

| Thomas East ... ... ... 5 |
| :--- |
| George Holifield, Senr. | George Holifield, Junr. 7 Frank Hanks ... ... ...Temor

Composed by W. Harrison, and
e method.

BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, Detember 7, 1913, in Three Hours. At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
A Variation of J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
Thomas A. Doick ... ...Treble i *Arthur B. Corden... ... 5
Percy H. Doick ... ... 2 William Denyer ... ... 6

| Raymond Wood | $\ldots$ | .. | 3 | William Stanford ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |
| James Burdfield | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Harry T. Doick | ... |
| ....Tenor |  |  |  |  |  | Conducted by Arthor B. Corden.

* First peal as conductor.


## CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, December 7, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Chorch of St. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES; Tenor $13 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.


* First peal in the method.


## SIX © FIVE BELL PEALS.

NORTHBOURNE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Tizo Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Adgustine,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANAES;
Being 720 each of Grandsire, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College
Single, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob. Tenor $7 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Ernest Kemp ... ... ...Tveble ${ }^{2}$ Lce.-Sergt. F. A. Holden 4
G. W. T. Smith ... ... ... 2 Louis Ladd ... ... ... 5 John Trinder .......... 3 Henry C. Castle ... ...T Tenoy

First peal in seven methods by all except the conductor, also first in seven methods as conductor. Rung at the first attempt.

WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge and Norwich Surprise, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 13 cwt .
Arthor Cattermole... ...Tveble George IKemp ... ... ... 4 Edward Youngs... ..... $.2^{2}$ Leonard Last ... ... ... 5 William Rose ... ... ... 3 William Clover ... ...Tenor Conducted by Leonard Last.

## LAMBERHURST, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 360 each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Bob, Reverse College Single, St. Clement's Bob, Double Court, Single Court, Grandsire, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt .
 George Foller... ........ 3 Albert Relfe ... ${ }^{\prime}$... $\ldots$....Tenor Conducted by Albert Relfe.
First peal in fourteen methods by all the band, on the bells and by the Association. Rung as a birthday compliment to A. Relf. All the above ringers belong to the local band, and the peal was rung at the first attempt.

## WALLASEY, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's Bob, and two 720's of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qrs., in $E$.
Albert Sparks ..
... ...Tveble *John A. Webster ...
$\begin{array}{lll}. . & \ldots & 4 \\ . . & \ldots & 5\end{array}$

| Eric A. Webster | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Thomas A. Rogers... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| James R. Griffin | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | George R. Newton | ....Tenoy | Conducted by James R. Griffin.

* First peal with a bob bell. First peal in more than one method by the ringers of the front five. First peal as conductor. Rung on the second anniversary of the dedication of the church and bells.


## BRAMPTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Being Six Six-Scores each of Stedman, Canterbury, April Day, Morning Star, Old Doubles, Plain Doubles, and Grandsire.


## MUCH MARCLE, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, November 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Ten different callings.
W. Samuel England ...Treble Alfred T. Poulton … 4 Samuel England ... ... 2 Roger Hardwick ... ... 5 William Short ... ... ... 3 Harry E. Cox... ... ...Tenor Conducted by William Short.
First peal by all except the conductor and the ringer of the $4^{\text {th }}$. Rung on the festival of St. Andrew.

## DAGENHAM, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, December 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's called differently.
David J. Chaplin ... ...Treble $\mid$ Ernest J. Butler ... ... 4
Arthor C. Chaplin... ... 2 George W. Playle ... 5 Alfred A. Playle, R.N.... 3 Edward H. Hawkins ...Tenor Conducted by George W. Playle.
Rung to commemorate the re-opening of the Church after being closed for six months for repairs, and also in honour of Queen Alexandra's Birthday.

## EATON SOCON, BEDS

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Decomber 2. 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAHEES ;
Being two 720 's each of Single Court, Oxford Bob, College Single, and 720 of Plain Bob.
*Charles Smith..
..Treble
Clifford Rollings...
2
George D. Coleman Sydney J. Coleman Sidney J. Peck... ...... ... 4
... 5 Conducted by George D. Coleman.

* First peal.

WESTBURY-ON-SEVERN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
rILOUCESTEIR AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(Norte Forest Branch.)
On Tuesday, Decenter 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE \& ST. DUNSTAN'S DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES ; Tenor $2 \mathrm{I} \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
*Charles Eveness ... ...Treble | Walter Gleed ... ... 4
†Alfred Allen......
-John Gibson ... ... ... 3 *George Belcher ... ...Tenor

* First peal Conducted by T. Hart.
* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal on bob bell.


## PETTISTREE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Weduesday, December 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Plain Bob, Oxford Delight, Woodbine and Kent Treble Bob, and two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob.
Lester L. Gray ... ... ...Tyeble George R. Finch ... ... 4 Alfred Clements $\quad . .$. William B. Reeve ... ... 3 Robert G. Miles ... ...Tenor Conducted by R. G. Miles.
This is the first peal in six methods by the local band.

## LLANGARRON, HEREFORDSHIRE.

 THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.On Wednesday, December 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Deinst,

## - PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANEES ;

Being 42 Six-Scores with ten different callings. Tenor in cwt.
Rev. V. A. Creswell ...Treble Frank Voyce ... ... ... 4 Henry Weale ... ... ... 2 William Short ... ... 5 William Poston $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \mid$ *William Dew... ... ...Tenor Conducted by W. Short.
*First peal.

## TEYNHAM.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, December 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,
At the Cedrch of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 of Canterbury Pleasure, and two 720's each of Oxford Bob,
Plain Bob and College Single, each 720 called differently. Tenor in cwt.

* Edward Hodges ... ...Tyeble Charles Tomber ... ... 4

James Nye ... ... ... ... 2 F $\quad$ Frederick S. Macey ... 5
William Laker ... ... 3 William Nye ... ... ....Tenor Conducted by William Nye.

* First 5040 .

BECKLEY, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES 5040 CHANGES;
Being Twelve Six-Scores of Plain Bob, and Thirty Six-Scores of Grandsire.
Tenor 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
†George Wood...
...Treble $\mid$ William R. Wood ... ... 4
†George Kenward ... ... 2 †George Billenness ... 5
Charles Tribe ... ... 3 |*Reginald Larkin ... ... Tenor Conducted by George Billenness.

* First peal and first attempt, and elected member prior to starting. $\dagger$ First peal of Doubles. Rung after meeting short for Bob Minor. The Bells were rehung in February, Igir, by Mr. Bowell, of Ipswich, and the "go" is excellent. First peal on the bells.

PITSFORD, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Thiree Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of All Sainis,
A EEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHAMGE ;

## Tenor 12 cw .

Fredrick Rowledge ...Treble Frank Btrgess ... ... 3
Harky Clarke ... ... .... 2 John Dunkley... ... ... 4
George Parker ... ...Tenor.
Conducted by George Parker.
First peal as conductor. First peal on the bells.
SHARNBROOK, BEDS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.
Un Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

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

Being 720 each of Violet, College Exercise, College Pleasure; Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford.
 Conducted by George Lines.

* First peal in seven Treble Bob methods.

WESTBURY-ON-TRYM, GLOUCESTERSHIRE. GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Thrce Hours and Eleven Minutes, At the parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;


## MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Deeember 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob, and one of Canterbury Pleasure. Tenor $14 \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Harry Argent ... ... ...Treble |Herbert A. Holden ... 4 Frederick Hayes ... ... 2 John Burles ... ... ... 5 George A. Jones ... ... 3 Frederick M. Mitchell Tenor Conducted by John Burles.

* First.peal at the first attempt. † First peal in four methods on a bob bell. First peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to George A. Jones.

KINETON, WARWICKSHIRE. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUIILD
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF BCB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being seven $7^{20}$ 's each called differently. Tenor if cwt.

Bert Kilborn ... ... ...Treble George H. Kettle ... 4 | *William Collett | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Rev. C. Carew Cox | ... | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Robert Green | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | Frederick C. Nye ... | ...tenot |  | Robert Green ...... 3 *Frederick C. N

Conducted by Rev. C. Carew Cox.

- First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells which have been rehung by Messrs. Gillett \& Johnston. They were re-opened on Sunday, November 30th, by the Lord Bishop of Worcester, and the "go" is all that can be desired. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar for his kind hospitality after the peal.

CRANFORD, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. John,
A PEAL OF GIMOR, 5040 CHAMCES;
Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.
Robert G. Black ... ...Tyeble Horace W. Sharman ... 4 Frederick Kilborn ... ... 2 Frederick W. Sawfoot... 5 Percy J. Lenton ... ... 3 David J. Nichols ... ...Tenor Conducted by D. J. Nichols.

## FULBECK.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, Jocember 6, 1913, in Three Hours. At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF FULBECK BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt .
Albert Payne ... ... ...Treble Caleb L. Simcock... ... 4 Charles W. Baynes ... 2 Charles W. Elee... ... 5 Richard W. Porter ... 3 George Scott... ... ...Tenor Conducted by George Scott.
Rung on St. Nicholas' Day. This is the first peai of Fulbeck Bob ever rung. The band are all residents of Fulbeck.

## MATHON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, Decomber 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-flivee Minutes, At the Church of Si. John the Baptist,
A PEAL OF MINOR 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single, Plain Bob and Oxford Bob. Tenor 8 cwt . \begin{tabular}{llll|lllll}
Charles Webley \& $\ldots$ \&...$T v e b l e$ \& Andrew Layton \& ... \& ... \& 4 <br>
William Ranford \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$. \& 2 \& E. William Turner \& \&

 

William Ranford \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& 2 \& E. William Turner \&... <br>
Charles Layton \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& 3 \& George Jordon \& ... <br>
Ci. Tenor
\end{tabular} Conducted by E. W. Torner.

First peal as conductor, and first attempt. It was also his first attempt to call a 720 in either of the methods except Double Oxford and Oxford Bob.

HORSMONDEN, KENT.
'THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, December 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At* the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAMCE8;
In I4 methods, being 360 each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Reverse College Single, Single Court, Double Court, Double Oxford, Double Bob, Grandsire, Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob, College Single, St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 20 cwt .
 Andrew Marshall ... ... 3 Edwin Lambert ... ...Tenor Conducted by Edwin Lambert.

OTLEY, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, December 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being one 720 of Woodbine, two 720 's each of Kient and Oxford Treble Bob and two 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor in 3 cwt. George Whiting ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ George Farnish ... ... 4 Ernest E. Lanham... George Pryke ... ... ... 3 Alfred Hatcher ... ...Tenor Conducted by George Whiting.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, December 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Ann, South Tottenham,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES :

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

Tenor 8 cwt .
Alfred Howell... ... ...Treble $\mid$ Richard N. Runham ... 4 Alfred W. Grimes ... ... 2 Thomas King ... ... ... 5 William J. Kemp ... ... 3 William J. Nodds... ...TTenor Conducted by William J. Nudds.
The band wish to thank the Vicar and Churchwardens for the use of the bells. It is A. W. Grimes' rooth peal on tower bells this year.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

WISBECH, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION On Wednesday, December 3, 1913, in Two Hours,

At the Residence of Mir. Narborough,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
James H. Phillips ... ... y Stanley E. Andpews ... 3-4 Conducted by Ralph Narborough.
First peal by the ringer of the treble, who, to the regret of the band, is leaving for Sevenoaks. The ringers wish him every success and prosperity in his new abode.

## COGGESHALI, ESSEX.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Wednesday, Decenber 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-two Minutes, At the Residence of E. W. Beckwith

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Andrew Shtfflebotham $1-2 \mid$ David Elliott...$\quad$... 5 - 6 William Keeble ... ... 3-4 Ernest W. Beckwith... 7-8 Composed by Edgar Wightman, and Conducted by William Keeble.
Witnesses: Mrs. E. W. Beckwith and Miss G. Beckwith.
First handbell peal rung in the district, and by all except the conductor. It was rung at the first attempt.

## LONDON

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS On Friday, December 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes, At the George IV, Hagrerston,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES; Thursians' Fodr-Part.
Walter S. Wise ... ... I-2 | Frederick J. Hardy ... 5-6 Challis F. Winney … 3-4 Alfred W. Grimes … 7 -8 Conducted by Walter S. Wise. Umpire: Joseph Barry.
The conductor's I joth peal.
CAMBRIDGE
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,
AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF CAMBRIDGE YOUTHS. On Friday, December 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Twelve Minutes, At Trinity College, Cambridge,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANCES;
J. Broce Williamson ... I-2 William D. James

Rev. A. H. F. Booghey $3-4 \mid{ }^{\prime}$ T. Reginald Dennis... Composed by Henry Johnson, and Conducted by William D. James. Umpire: J. Botler.

* First peal on handbells. Rev. A. H. F. Boughey's $\mathrm{I}_{5}$ oth peal.


## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Two Hours and $T_{u}$ ©nty-four Minutes,
In the Belfry of Holy Trinity Church,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Pitstow's Variation. Size i8, in $G$.
Miss Elsie L. Bennett $1-2$ Frank I. Hairs ... ... 5-6 Alfred H. Polling ... 3-4 Frank Blondell ... ... 7 - 8 Conducted by Alfred H. Polling. Witness: A. J. Whiting.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, Decomber 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes, At King Edward VI Grammar School,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES; Holt's Original. Size I5, in C.
Miss Elsie L. Bennett I-2 Frank I. Hairs .... ... 5-6 $^{\text {M }}$ Alfred H, Pulling ... 3-4 Frank Blondell ... ... 7 - 8 Conduuted by Alfred H. Pulling. Witness: Mrs. Pulling. GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Seventeen Minutes, At King Edward VI Grammar School,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Size 15 , in $C$.
Miss Elsie L. Bennett... I-2 ${ }^{2}$ Frank I. Hairs ... ... 5-6 Alfred H. Pulling $. . .3-4$ Frank Blondell ... ... 7 - 8 Composed by Frank Bennett, and Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.
Umpire, W. E. Maulder.
Witness, Mrs. Pulling.
This is the first time three peals have been rung on handbells in a day, and the first time a lady has rung three peals in a day. The ringers, umpire and witness heartily congratulated Miss Bennett at the conclusion. An umpire was arranged for the other two peals but unfortunately was unable to come.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, December 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Twelve Minvies, At St. Michael's, Joseph Road,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Pitstow's Variation.
Size 15 , in C.
Miss Elsie L. Bennett I-2 | Maurice Smither... ... 5-6
Alfred H. Pulling .. 3-4 | Frank I. Hairs ... ... 7-8 Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.

Umpire: Charles Hazelden.
Witnesses: Mrs. Hazelden, Mrs. Pulling, and Mdlle. Yvonne Eloie-Leloue.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUIL.D.
On Sunday, December 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, Át 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow,
A PEAL OF STEOMAM GINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;
George R. Pye ... ... 1 - 2 Arthur F. Shepherd... 7- 8
William Shepherd ... 3-4 Ernest Pye ... ... ... 9-10
William Pye... ... ... 5 -6 Alfred W. Grimes ... if-i2
Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by William Pye. Umpire: C. T. Coles.
KETTERING, NORTHANTS
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, December 7, 1913, in Tüo Hours and Twenty-three Minutes. At 7, The Broadway,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;
David J. Nichols ...... i-2 E. Maurice Atrins ... 3-4 Frank H. Talbutt ... $7-8$ Arranged by E. M. Atkins, and Conducted by D. J. Nichois.
First peal, other than Ninor, by ringer of $7-8$ and first " in hand.

## "DIAMOND JUBILEE" AS RINGER.

Mr. James Slarke, of Towcester, has just reached his "diamond jubilee " as a ringer. He first handled a rope at Cottesbrooke Church sixty years ngo, and ever since Mr. Slarke has kept up his association with one belfyy or another. He is one of the best known ringers in the district, and for 28 years has been a member of the Easton Neston company, and a short time ago presented a new treble, and shared with his family the provision of a seoond bell to complete the octave at that church in memory of his brother. He was one of the founders of the Toweester and District Association in 1894, and his hospitality is well known to Northants ringers. Mr. Slarke has seen five generations of ringers in his family, viz., grandfather, father, himself, son and grandson. Mr. Slarke was 64 years of age before he rang his first peal, but he has now nine to his credit. Although he is in his 73rd jear, we hope he will live to ring many more.

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Treble Bob Maximus
3 :
Stedman Cinques
Stedman Caters
.
...

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## MR. JAMES GEORGE'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION.

## THE FESTIVITIES AT BIRMINGHAM.

The sixtieth birthday of Mr. James George, of Rugby, was, as we briefly mentioned last week, very fittingly calebrated, and to the peals that were rung in honour of the event was added the great gathering of ringers round the festive board at Birmingham on the Saturday evening. Something like 150 ringers sat down to tea at 'St. Martin's Hotel, in the Bull Ring, and afterwards, increased in numbers by the presence of other friends, enjoyed a capital musical evening arranged by Mr. Alf. Paddon Smith, the genial hon. secretary of St. Martin's Guild. It was a capital wind up to the week's peal ringing, in the arrangement of which, Mr. J. E. Groves had given invaluable aid.

Fame may be only a bubble, but there are mighty few of us who can produce the soap," was the apt quotation which appeared on the souvenir programme, and one may, at any rate congratulate Mr. George upon the fame which he has reached in the Exercise-a fame be it said which he has created entirely by his own indomitable energy and enthusiasm.
To celebrate the event upwards of 150 of his ringing friends from London, Manchester, Coventry. Birmingham and District, and other


## Mr. J. George

whose 6oth birthday has just been celebrated at Birmingham, and in whose honour i6 peals were rung in different parts of the country.
personal friends, were invited by Mr. George to a sumptuous meat tea and a musical evening at the St. Martin's Hotel, Bull Ring, Birmingham, on Saturday week. As our readers are aware, Mr. George has been connected with the L. and N.W. Railway Estate Department, Rugby, for 32 years, and invitations were extended to screral of his friends in that department, amongst those who attended being: Mr. Hatley (chief), Messrs. Parsons, W. A. Fox, J. Rickard and G. Barnwell, also W. Renshaw and H. Redfern from the Birmingham Estate Office, and W. Dicken, Goods Department, Coventry
The chair was taken by Alderman J. S. Pritchett, M.A., B.C.L., presiding ringing master of St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, and after tea the number of the gathering was largely increased to listen to the speeches and enjoy the musical programme provided.
The Chairman, in a specch which was full of humour, reminded the company that they had gathered together to welcome and do honour to their esteemed and respected fellow ringer Mr. James George, of Rugby. If there was anything to be regarded in Mr. George's career, it w'as that he did not commence change ringing until he was 35 years of age or thereabouts, comparatively late in life, but when he did begin, he made up for lost time. He rang his first peal on February 16th. 1889, nearly 25 years ago. It was a peal of Grandsire Triples at

St. George's, Camberwell. Mr. George had now rung 529 peals. Out of that number, one expected some of them to be of a remarkable character, and there was one which called for special note. It was the peal of Maximus, which was rung at Ashton-under-Lyne last year, viz., 12,240 changes in 8 hrs .39 mins., in which Mr. George rang the tenor bell. He had shone out brilliantly in ringing other peals, and was a member of 41 ringing associations. The Chairman added that he did not know whether there were any further associations he (Mr. George) would join.
Having alluded to other noteworthy peals in which Mr. George had taken part, the Chairman mentioned that Mr. George had been in the service of the London and North Western Railway Company since December 7th, 1869, and had been stationed at Rugby for upwards of 32 years in a position of trust and confidence, and the best testimonial he could have as to the manner in which he performed the whole of the duties allotted to him was the fact that Mr. George's "chief "had journeyed from Rugby to be present with them at that happy gathering, to bear witness to the high esteem in which Mr. Gcorge was held (applause).

The Chairman, continuing, said they were told that when a man had arrived at 60 years of age, he was considered to be.old and practically worn out, but there was Mr. George, having attained that age, full of life and vigour, and apparently capable of going on ringing for years. With regard to the future, none of them knew what that might bring, but it was evident that Mr. George's, ringing career was by no means completed. In conclusion, the Chairman said he was sure that they would all express admiration for Mr. George's splendid career by joining him in wishing Mr. George health, streugth and prosperity for the future (applause)
Mr. James George, who was received with rociferous cheering, said how delighted he was to see so many of his fellow ringers there that evening from all parts of the country. He felt for the moment that it was the greatest event of his life. He saw before him his old friends, Harry Chapman, of Manchester: William and Ernest Pye, of London; Mr. Sam Reeves, and another dear old friend in Mr. Godiden. He might say that the latter gentleman was one of his oldest associates. It was at that hotel something like 24 years ago that he first met Mr. Godden, who pleasurably introduced him to the late respected Mr. Henry Johnson, and they spent a happy time together. Mr. George, continuing, said how very happy he was to see his brother there, but more especiatly his " chief " and other friends from the offices at Rugby and Birrningham. This went to prove the good feeling shown to him. Mr. George said, that although he was 60 , he did not feel more than 21, and people had laughed and told him he looked good enough for another 50 years' ringing (applause). As the chairman had remarked, no one knew what the future had in. store, but he was thankful to say that he was feeling as fit and well as ever he did in his life. Mr. George alluded to some of the interesting events in his bell ringing career, and thonked everyone present for the kindly feelings extended to him.
He proposed the toast of "My Ringing Friends," to which Mr. Godden replied. He alluded to his first acquaintance with Mr. George in Birmingham, and the subsequent happy ringing times they had spent together. He hoped they might be spared to ring for many years to come.
Mr. W. H. George, Eastleigh, Hampshire, also spoke. He said it gave him rery great pleasure to be present at this celebration of his brother's 60 th birthday, and he was delighted to see the great honour done him by the advent of so many of his riuging friends who had travelled specially to Birmingham that day from all parts of the country
During the evening capital songs were rendered by T. Davis, Birmingham: Cyril Joinnston, Croydon: W. M. Parsons and W. Dicken, Rugby. A song specially written in commemoration of the event by Mr. T. Russam of Birmingham, and was sung by Mr. Davis to the tune of "Good Old Jeff."
Several splendid selections were played on the dulcimer by Mr. Harry Withers, who also tapped a most musical touch of Stedman Triples, which was conducted bv Mr. James George. Stedman Cinques was rung on handbells by members of the St. Martin's Guild.
Betore the close, Mr. George thanked Alderman Pritchett for his presence that night, and for taking the chair. He said it must have caised him some inconvenience, as they all knew what a busy man the chairman was.-In reply, Alderman Pritchett said it had given him great pleasure to be present, as Mr . George was a man whom he greatly admired, and whom he held in high esteem
A course of London Surprise was splendidly tapped on the dulcimer by Mr. Harry Withers.
A rote of thanks was accorded to Mr. A. P. Smith for the trouble he had taken in arranging the festivities, and a vote of thanks was also passed to the pianist (Mr. W. M. Parsons), to the clergy for giving permission to ring at the various towers, and to Mr. J. E. Groves and others for arranging the peals.

BOREHAM, ESSEX.-On Oct. 27th, for erensong, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1264 changes) : C. Mills 1, H. Kirton 2, P. Letch 3, J. Walden 4, A. Edwards (conductor) 5, J. Root. 6, W. Allen 7, J. Wood 8. Thes is the longest length in method on the bells, and by the ringers of 1,4 , 6, 7 and tenor.

## ODD CHANGES.

We have been asked: "What is the record time for a handbell peal of Minor?", Can anyone tell us?

One likes to see manifestations of such good spirit as that which prevailed among members of the Bedfordshire Association at their meeting on Saturday week. From members of a band who have been striving for the first peal of Surprise Minor in the county of Bedfordshire emanated a resolution of congratulation to another company, who had secued the coveted honour.

The Stansted ringers, who have done a good deal to uphold the standard of method ringing in Essex, have scored their first peal of Bristol Surprise. Congratulations to Mr. William Watts and his merry men. And to think that the treble was rung by a " youth " of 72 ! He was certainly a Luck(e)y choice.

Mr. W. White, of Raglan, Mon., writes to say that he gave the diameter of Taunton tenor incorrectly in his last letter. It is $56 \frac{3}{2}$ inches, not $58 \frac{1}{2}$.

Rickmansworth bells have been restored, and with commendable foresight the church authorities had the new frame made to accommodate two more bells whenever it may be decided to increase the present octave to ten. We hear, however, that the provision of the extra bells may be indefinitely postponed, because the authorities " are afraid too many ringers will want to ring upon them."

We may have been misinformed-we hope we have been -but if the reason is as stated, we hope such a trivial and hypothetical objection will not stand in the way of completing what would become a fine peal of ten bells.

## DEVON VILLAGE BELLS RESTORED.

The dedication and re-opening of Laptord (Devon) Parish Church bells took place on Monday week, and the proceedings provided a day of festivity in the village, for in addition to the celebrations of Holy Communion in the morning and the dedication in the afternoon, there was a public Iuncheon before the service, a tea afterwards, and in the evening a dance in the Council Schoolroom. A large congregation attended the ceremony, wisich was performed by the Rer. J. T. Tre-lawney-Ross, Proctor in Convocation for the Diocese of Exeter. who preached from the inscription on the tenor bell: "Hear me when I call, O God," Psalms iv, 1.

The bells were originally cast and hung by the Penningtons in 1797, and they have no been rehung in a new cage, and quarter turned at a cost of abont $£ 150$. The work has been most satisfactorily carried out by Messrs. H. Stokes and Son, of Woodbury. Ringers from Exeter, and the neighbouring parishes of Chawleigh, Chulmleigh, Coleridge, and Zeal Monachorim, as well as the looal men, took part in the ringing during the day.

## ESSEX RINGERS' MOURNFUL TASK

The second monthly practice was held at Chelmsford Cathedral on Saturday week, about 30 members attending. The bells were rung halfmuffled, as a token of respect to the late Mr. W. Dennis, who for many years was Rector's warden, and whose funeral had taken placo in the afternoon, just nine weeks after the deceased gentleman had handed the ropes of the new bells to the Bishop of St. Albans, asking him to dedicate the bells. During the evening, a 396 Grandsire Cinques was rung bv: G. Sorrell 1, A. Edwards 2, H. W. Kirton 3, F. W Edwards 4, T. Lincoln 5, H. Richell 6, H. Allen 7, A. Fead 8, H. F. Cooper (conduetor) 9, H. FIead 10. W. Lincoln 11, J. Wood 12. The whole pull and stand was also rung 76 times, representing the age of the deceased warden, by: G. Sorrell, A. Edwards, H. W. Kirton, F. W. Edwards, T. Lincoln. Rev. J. H. Barrow, H. Allen, H. Richell, J. Wood, W. Lincoln, W. Wiles, H. F. Cooper

The first quarter-peal of Caters rung on the Cathedral bells was brought round on Sunday for evening service. The method was Grandsire, and the ringers were: H. R. Dawson 1, F. W. Edwards 2, A Whight 3, G. R. Crush 4, H. Allen 5. H. Richell 6, H. Head 7, H. F Cooper (conductor) 8, A. Head 9, G. Green 10.

## THE TREBLE TEN RECORD.

LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.
An attempt will be made at the Bell Tower, Evesham, on Saturday, December 27 th, 1913 , for a record peal of Treble Bob Royal by ten members of the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham. Starting time 8 a.m.

The figures are as follows:-

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This attempt to beat the record for Royal will create general interest. The longest peal of 'I'reble Ten up to the present was that rung by the Cumberlands in 1784 at Shoreditch ( 12,000 changes), in 9 hrs. 5 mins.

Evesham, where the attempt is to be made, has a peal of ten, the weight of the tenor of which is given in the Worcester Association's report as $31 \nmid$ cwt., in D flat. The majority of the bells are by Rudhall, and were cast in 1741. the tenor being by Mears in 1821, and the trebles by Barwell in 1910.

## INTER=AFFILIATION OF RINGING GOCIETIES.

PROPOSED APPEAL TO CENTRAL COUNCIL
To the Editor.
Dear Sir,-Since the IIenry Johnson Dinner in 1912, at which Mr. W. H. Godden suggested a scheme whereby the poorer brethren of our Exercise could avail themselves of opportunities at present barred to them of the ringing of peals in various parts of the country other than those covered by the Diocesan and County Associations, in whose area they reside, little or nothing has been done in the matter.
I have, binercfore, given notice to propose the following resolution at the annual meeting of tho Llandaff Diocesan Association, to be held at Newport on Boxing Day:-

* That we, the members of the Llandaff Diocesan Association of Change Ringers are of opinion that the time has arrived to ask the Central Council to put into operation a scheme of inter-affiliation whereby any member of a recognised society, could, by the payment of sispence per annum, be presented with a card, such card to admit the bearer (whose name must appear thereon) to any affiliated society's meetings as hon. members without the power to vote, fourpence of such 6d. to be applied to working expenses, and 2d. to the society issuing the cards and rules."
This kind of inter-affiliation works very smoothly as far as politioal clubs are concerned, and each year I notice applications are made to become affiliated by clubs outside. It stands to reason that in these times of high prices of living, it is impossible for the ordinary working man outside the privileged to enjoy the pleasure of a peal in a town that he may bo working in or paying a short visit to. We well know that sentiment will keep such societies as the College Youths and the Cumberlands from becoming so affiliated, but I for one feel certain that they will not in any way be affected therebv.- Yours truly,

Newpori, Mon.
FREDK. A'TWELL.

## SALISBURY G JILD.

A monthly meeting of the Devizes Branch was held at the Churd of St. Michael and All Angols, Hilperton, on Saturday, but as the day was a pouring wet one, and the church is some two miles or more from a railway station, a large company could hardly be expected. However, 17 turned up, some of them walking in the rain from villages four miles distant, which speaks well for their enthusiasm. Ringing commenced at three oclock on the beautiful peal of six, and was kept up briskly until an adjournment was made to the Crown Im for tea. which was very much enjoyed. Owing to the unavoidable absence of the chairman of the branch, the Ror W. K. Sylvester (Rector of Hilperton), kindly occupicd the chair, and was supported by the hon. secretary, Mr. II. Brownlee West, of Devizes; and Mr. J. Poynton Haden, churchwarden of Hilperton, together with ringing members from Bath, Devizes (St. John's), Potterne, Hilperton, Southbroom, Trowbridge, Kaevil and Bradford-on-Avon. There being no business to transact. beyond the notification by the secretary that the next meeting would be the annual one at Devizes in the early part of Jawuary and at which he hoped they would all attend, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for the use of the church bells, and also for the kindness he displayed in attending the mecting, and taking the chair. Pleasure was also expressed at the attendance of the churchwarden, which showed the sympathy and kind fecling entertained by the clergy and churchwardens towards the Guild.
Some of the members then returned to the church for more ringing, whilst others procecdod to St. James' at Trowbridge to join in the usual Saturday evening's ringing at that church.

## Chelmsford Cathedral Tenor Bell.



The new ring of 12 bells (Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs .) for Chelmsford Cathedral was dedicated by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans on Saturday, September 27th, 1913.

MESSRS. JOHN WARNER \& SONS, Ltd., of the Spitalfields Bell Foundry, London, have in hand the restoration of the following ring of 12 bells : YORK MINSTER (Tenor 50놀 cwt.)

## RICKMANSWORTH BELLS. ANCIENT PEAL RESTORED.

After a long period of silence, the bells of the Parish Church at Rickmansworth rang out merrily on Sunday week, on the occasion of the dedication of two and the re-dedication of six of the peal of eight bells. This ceremony took place at morning service, and was performed by the Rov C. M. Parkinson, Vicar and Rural Dean, assisted by the Rev. (:. A. W. Pain, curate, and the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., E.R.A.S., hon. secretary of the Central Council, and Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, who preached at morning service.
The work of recasting and rehanging was entrusted to Messrs. Wamer and Sons, of Spitalfields. At the Easter Vestries, 1911 and 1912, the churchwardens had stated that the question of the bells gave thom much concern. They had invited reports from various independent sources, as a result of which they were unanimous in their decision that ringing the bells was dangerons both to the tower and to those engaged in ringing. At the 1913 Easter Vestry it was stated that " the work of renovation would be commenced as soon as the necessary funds were available, and that estimates had been obtained from recognised good firms." Writing in the "Rickmansworth Parish Magazine" the Day following, the Vicar congratulated the parish upon the fact that the whole of the $£ 300$ required for the renovation had been subscribed. Referring to the church bells in the July number of the same magazine, the Ticar wrote: '. We seem very silent and subdued, as if some sad enidemic had fallea upon the parish, without our silver-tongued friends of the belfry, and it seems difficult to keep up to time without our chiming clcck." The bells and frame were conveyed to Rickmansworth on Monday, November 17th, and during the rest of the week workmen were fighting strenuously against time, bent upon having the peal ready for the Sunday's ceremony. It is pleasing to state that the work was carried through without accident, and Messrs. John Warner and Sons have indeed made a splendid job. The new frame constrncted for ten bells is a massive-looking structure, and thoroughly deserves the name of 'Dreadnought' which the Shoreditch bell frame was called by visiting ringers. The bearings are Messrs. Warner's self-aligning oil bath bearings, and all the bells have been tuned upon Canon Simpson's fivetone principle.
In the course of the service, the clergy, choir and churchwardens proceeded to the foot of the tower, singing the hymm, " Hail, Festal Day." This finished, the formal dedication took place, and while the procession returned to the chancel the bells rang out a short peal, those taking part including members of the St. Nary's Guild aud a party of ringers from Oxhey. The Rev. C. D. P. Davies preached from the text, "But now hath God set the members, every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased Him " (1 Corinthians xii, 18). After morning service, touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung on the balls by mixed bands, the preacher taking a rope with other visitors.
The bells are inscribed as follows:-
Treble ( 6 cu't. 2 grs. 27 lbs.): "Lester and Pack of London. Fecii 1765.

2nd (7 cwt. 0 qrs. 21 lb:) : " Lester and Pack of London. Fecit 1765 Recast by John Warner and Sons, Founders, London, 1913."
3rd ( 7 cwt. 3 qrs. 20 lbs.): "Musick is Medicine to the Mind. Lester and Pack of London. Fecit 1765.
dth ( 8 owt. 3 grs. 0 lbs.): is Peace and Good Neighbourhood. Lester and Pack of London. Fecit 1765."
5 th (9 cwt. 3 qrs. 14 lbs.): "Our Voices shall with joyful sound make hills and valleys echo round. Lester and Pack of London. Fecit 1765.'
6th (12 cot. 0 qrs. 13 lbs .) : " Ye ringers all that prize your health and happiness be sober, merry, wise, and you'll the same possess. Laster and Pack of London. Fecit 1765.'
7th (1t cwt. 0 qrs. 20 lbs.): "In wedlock bands all ye who join with hands your hearts unite, so shall our tuneful tongues combine to lau? the nuptial rite. Lester and Pack of London. Fecit $1765 .{ }^{\prime \prime}$

Tenor ( 20 cwt. 0 qrs. $20 \mathrm{lbs} .$, in D) : :r Cast 1765 . I was recast at the expense of Dame Gertrude Dugdale, 1913. C. M. O. Parkinson, M.A., Vicar and Rural Dean; G. W. Walters, H. B. Couchman and E. A. Peters, M.D., Churchwardens; Stephen Salter, Henry Wankford, Danl. Parrot, Churchwardens, 1765. Lester and Pack of London, Fecit. John Warner and Sons, Itd., Founders, 1913."

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## NOTICES.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on December 16 th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 30th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 18th ; and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 23 rd ; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays ; St. Magnus, 7.30 ; the others, $8 \mathrm{p.m}$. The subscription of is. 8d., which entitles members to vote on matters of finance, should be paid before February 28th.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-A ringing meeting will be held at Bicester, Oxon, on Saturday, December 13th, at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m., tea (6d. per head) 4.3o. -Rev. C. Jenkyn, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Liverpool Branch.-A meeting will be held at Garston on Saturday, December 13 th. Bells ready at 4. Tea at 5.30. Members intending being present please send word to Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - North-Western District. The annual meeting for this district will be held at Bishop Stortford, on Saturday, December 13th. Service at 4.45 p.m. Short address by the Vicar (the Rev. H. T. Lane). Tea and business meeting will be held at the Chequers Hotel at 5.15 p.m. Bells available afternoon and evening.-William Watts, District Secretary, Mont House Cottage, Stansted, Essex.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next monthly meeting will be held at the Manchester Town Hall, on Saturday, December r3th. The beils will be available for ringing from 3 to $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., the meeting to follow immediately after. The annual reports can be had at this meeting. Subscriptions are now due. - W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester District.-A quarterly meeting of this district will be held at St. Mary Magdalene, Gillingham, on Saturday, December 13 th. Tower open from 3.30 p.m. till 9 p.m. Business meeting at 6 p.m.-Edward A. G. Allen, Hon. Secretary.
HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.-A meeting for practice will be held at Batley Carr, on Saturday, December 13th. Bells available from 3 p.m. -F. Salmons, Secretary.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).-Southern District. -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, December 20th, at St. Paul's, Hammersmith. Tower open from 4 to 7.45 p.m. Business meeting at 8 p.m. All members and friends invited.-F. A. Smith, Hon. Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch.-The next monthly meeting will be held at East Crompton, on Saturday, Jecember 20th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 6.30.-Joseph Ogden, Branch Secretary.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.A meeting for practice will be held at St. Mark's, Preston, on December 2oth. Rells available from 3.-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.A quarterly meeting will be held at Barrow Gurney on Saturday, December 2oth. Service in the Parish Church at 3.30 p.m. Tea at the Angel Hotel at 5 p.m. Meeting to follow.-E. E. Burgess, Secretary, Taunton.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOC-IETY.- The next monthly meeting of the above society will be held at Bramley on Saturday, December 2oth, 1913, for practice. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting to be held at the Cardigan Arms at 7 p.m.-F. Hopwood, Secretary, 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A quarterly mecting will be held at Pulham Mary on Bank Holiday, Friday, December 26th. The eights at Pulham Mary and Puham Market, and the six at Starston open during the day. Dinner at Pulham Mary at r. 30 p.m. Notice of intention to be present must be sent by December 22 nd.-C. E. Borrett, Secretary, 12, Grove Avenue, Norwich.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Ringing for Divine service at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields the first Sunday in the month, and at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, the third Sunday, both at io o'clock. Meetings for practice at Shoreditch the second Wednesday and at St. Sepulchre's, Snow Hill, the fourth Wednesday in every month, at 7.30.-F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary.

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## RINGER'S GOLDEN WEDDING.

Thomas Webb, who liva been a ringer at the Parish Church, Baldock. Merts, for 48 years, celebrated his golden wedd:ng on Friday week. Mr. Webb is a native of Cottered, Herts, and, despite his 78 ycars, continues to enjoy good health, as does also his good wife, who is six years his junior. They have four sons, a daughter, and nine grandchildren, and the happy event was suitably marked. The ringers met at the church, and ang touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples, after losing a quarter-peal, and subsequently adjourned to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Webb, where they were entertained, and extended
their hearty congratulations to their host and loostess. Mr. Webb is a their hearty congratulations to their host and hostess. M.. Webb is a member of the College Youths, and has been a member of the Hertford County Association since its formation.

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## St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton.

## Tenor (33 cwt.) of the New Ring of 12.

 wULFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON,EESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, OROYDON. 4th March, 1812. Gintlemen,

The re-caating of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two anm ones in the thwer of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton. rocently carried cut by you kas proved most successful, and given genersl satifaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pieased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualifed to fodre. we have now, undoubtedily, one of the beat pesis in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. EECK,

## SPADE WORK.

The excellent results which usually follow the division of an association into smaller geographical districts has frequently been pointed out in our columns. The Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association is one of the most recent of the large organisations to establish the principle of sub-division, and already the step is proving a right one. It was not much more than a year ago that the district officers were appointed, yet the annual report this year speaks of the progress made as being due to the spade work which has been put in through this means. And to-day we record the success of the Northern District, which has some very energetic men at the helm. What has been achieved by one branch in the awakening of interest is doubtless being done in other districts, and the ultimate result to the Association is bound to be an immense gain.
In the case of the northern branch the Master and hon. secretary are setting an excellent example of energetic interest, for they intend to risit all the towers in their district in the year. Such visits, officially paid, nearly always stir up the enthusiasm of the local men, and when, as in this case, other visitors are invited to accompany the officers, special interest is bound to be taken, and the desire of the ringers, at the various belfries included in the itinerary, to be up and doing is certain to be whetted. They will feel that they are thus in closer touch than ever with the Association, and that, isolated though they may be, in regard to situation, they are nevertheless deemed as important in the eyes of the organisation as the most advantageously placed tower. Every belfry is, of course, valued by its association, but it does not always appear so to local men, when they wait for years before receiving recognition in the shape of a visit from their association.
Our object in directing particular attention to the work of the Durham and Newcastle Association is to point out how much might be done by some other societies if they adopted similar means of keeping in touch with their towers. A formal meeting is not always necessary, but an official visit goes a long way to strengthening the ties between the branches and the central organisation.

We" know of a few cases where the officials unostentatiously do a great deal of splendid spade work by visits of encouragement to the outlying towers. If all associations would follow the example thus set them, they would very rapidly increase their hold upon those ringers who may be at present but lukewarm in their allegiance. Visits such as those being planned in the north might be copied to advantage in many quarters.

## CHARLES CARR, ${ }^{\text {TIT }}$



OPINION OF OUR MODERN WORK.

Broomfleld Vicarage, Chelmaford

D $\operatorname{sar}$ Sirs,
I have great pleasure in stating that we are perfectly satisfled with the manner in which you have sartied out the work entrusted to oon of re-arranging and re-hanging sto Broomfeld Church Bells.

We consider that the work renycts great credit upon your Grm, $_{\text {I }}$ sad believe that your gyatem of on aging the bells reduces the vibrathon of the ateel frame suppliad by Pma to a minimum.
Tae CHURCHWARDENS unite - ILh ME in this expression of ortnion. The BELLRINGERS are clac unanimous in their praise of the alterations effected by you.

Yours truly,
CHAS. EDMUNDS, Vicar of Broomfleld. Tuests. C. CARR, LTD. Smeth wick.

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(East Berks and South Bucks Branch.)
On Wednesday, December 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-eight ditimtes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF STEBMAN CINQUES, 5002 CHANCES;
Tenor 30 cwt. 3 qr. II lbs., in C sharp.
$\dagger$ Fred Hayes .. ... ...Tyeble "Edward Markham.
Ralph Coles ... ... ... 2 John Evans ... ... ... 8
*Frank Boreham ... ... 3 -John Gransbury ... ... 9
William H. Fussell ... 4 *Joseifh J. Pratt ... ... io
Richard Buckland... ... 5 John C. Truss ... ... II
Sidney T. Goodchild ... 6 Albert A. Hughes ...Tenor Composed by Fredertck Dench, and Conducted by Fred Hayes.

- First peal on twelve bells. $\dagger$ First peal on twelve as conductor.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

BRISTOL.
GLOUCESTEI AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Tuesday. December 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL DF OXFORD TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 CHANGES; Tenor 36 cwt .

| Fred G. May $\ldots . . . .$. | Trable | Henry Porch ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 6 |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alfred E. Reeves | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Henry B. Burt | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 7 |  |
| Albert Stowell | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Gilbert Wiltshire | $\ldots$ | 8 |  |  |
| Fredr. W. Wade | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Henry Howell | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 9 |  |
| Wileiam White | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 | Isaac Long | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Tenor | Composed and Conducted by Fred G. May.

The above is the first peal of Oxford Treble Ten for the Gloucester and Bristol Association, the first in Bristol, and by all the band. Eight of the above ringers took part in the first peal of Oxford Treble Eight in Bristol, on December 4th, I9I3.

## WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORI On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Thuee Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Matthew,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES ;
Tenor 24 cwt.
"Harold Bankes ... ...Treble Christopher Hicks ... 6 Edwin J. Tyler ... ... 2 tFrank W. Perrens ... 7 Edgar Marlow... ... ... 3 †Bert Horton ...... Thomas Bloore ......$\quad 4$ Thomas J. Elton ... ... 9 Frank Hallsworth ... 5 Howard W. Cattell ...Tenor Composed by J. George, and Conducted by Thomas J. Elton.

* First peal. † First peal of Stedman Caters. Rung as a birthday compliment to Frank Hallswortl, who has been a ringer at the above church for 43 years and has acted as tower-keeper for the past 26 years.


## LONDON.

THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF CUMBERLAND YOUTHS, AND THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY GUILD. On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Thres Hours and Forty-taio Minutes. At the Chorch of St. Leonard, Shoreditch,
A.PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5058 CHANGES; Tenor 28 cwt. 2 qrs., in C.

|  <br> Composed by F. Hopgood, and Conducted by James Hunt. <br> * First peal on ten bells. $\dagger$ First peal of Grandsire Caters. The above ringers are all in the employ of Messrs. John Warner and Sons, and the peal was rung to celebrate the i50th anniversary of the firm. This is believed to be the first peal of Caters rung by employees of a bell foundry. |
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LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Deaenber 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5076 GHANGES;

| Tenor 36 cwt . |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| * Harry Tomlinson | ...Treble | Thomas R. Hensher | 6 |
| William B. Smith | 2 | George McHale ... | 7 |
| John B. Jackson | 3 | William Woodhead | 8 |
| James A. Teale | 4 | iliam E. H. Ash | 9 |
| Alfred Naylor |  | Francis Woodhead | ..Tenor | Composed by fenry Hubbard, and

Conducted by William E. H. Ash.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Naylor and Hensher.


## SURFLEET.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Nimeteen Minutes, At the Parish Ceurch,
A PEAL OF CRANUSIRE GATERS, 5022 CHANCES;
Tenor 12 cwt. o qr. 7 lbs., in $F$.
Rev. H. Law James ...Tveble George Ladd ... ... ... 6
Rupert Richardson $\quad . .6 \quad 2 \quad$ R. Hugh Richardson
*Arthur I. Holmes ... 3 *Walter H. Wood ... ... 8
*John W. Lake... ... ... 4 William Dickinson ... 9
*James Osborn ... ... ... 5 William Richardson ...Tenoy
Composed by Henry Johnson, and
Conducted by the Rev. H. Law James.

* First peal of Grandsire Caters.

OLDHAM.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE OLDHAM SOCIETY.
On Saturday, December 73, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRAMDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGE8; Tenor 34 cwt.


EAST RETFORD, NOTTS
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Threc Hours und Twenty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Sivithun,
A PEAL DF Little bob royal, 5184 ghanges;
Tenor 24 cwt., in E flat. - Thos. Colin Ryder ...Treble John H. Brothwell ... 6 Samuel Wesley fTom O'Hara ... Clement Glenn qJames Evinson
+Albert H. Ward $\dagger$ Albert C. Fearnley tGeorge Halksworth . $\ddagger$ Sidney F. Palmer... ...Tenor

Composed by Arthor Knights, and
Conducted by Clement Glenn.
First peal on ten bells. + First peal in the method. $\ddagger$ First peal of Royal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD
AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes, At the Church of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES: Tenor 25 cwt.
Horace Belcher ... ...Tyeble Benjamin Gough ... ... 6 George Hughes ... ... 2 Albert E. Blundell Join Goodman, Sent. Christopher Wallater... 5 年 William A. Cooper Composed by the late William Micklewright, and Conducted by John Goodman, Junr.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary, Walthamstow,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GATERS,
CHANGES ; Tenor Ig $\frac{3}{3}$ cwt.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. D. Smith, with the good wishes of the rest of the band.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HILLINGDON WEST, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
Un Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

## Holt's Ten-Part.

Tenor i3 cwt. I qr. 25 lbs.

| John Peddle | .. | $\ldots$ | ...$T r e b l e$ | Joseph J. Pratt | ... | ... |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Percy E. Jones... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | William Honor | ... | .. |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  | Henty Walte... Arthur Harding $\ldots . . . .4$ *Kenneth Hawkins... ...T 4 Tenot Conducted by Joseph J. Prati.

* First peal on eight bells and elected a member before starting.

NEWNHAM-ON-SEVERN.
GLOUCESTER AND RRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelvc Minutes, At the Churce of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Holt's Ten-Part.
Tenor $17 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| $*$ William Tyler | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Treble | Albert Martin | $\ldots$ | ... | 5 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Than Austin | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Thomas Hart | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | .. |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | John Austin $. . . \quad \ldots \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Thomas Hart ......

Jesse Gillett ... ... ... 3
*Frederick Preston
Ex.-Sergt. J. Williams 7

- James E. Roberts ... ...Tenor Conducted by John Austin.
*First peal of Triples.
WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, December S, 1913, in Theee Hours and Eleven Minutes, At the Church of St. Padl,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor $I_{7} \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

* First peal in the method away from the treble.

DEANE, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Bolton Branch.)
On Monday, Decmber 8, 1913, in Tw, Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.
$\begin{array}{llllllllll}\text { Fred Abbott } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots . \text { Treble } & \text { Richard Heald } & . . . & . . & 5 \\ \text { Benjamin Allred } & \ldots & \ldots & 2 & \text { Thomas Worsley } & . . . & . . & 6\end{array}$


Composed by Henry H. Tucker, and Conducted by Robert Allred.

## BORDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Monday, December S, 1913. in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Padl,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. Parker's Six-Part.

John Exell ... ... ... Vieble
George H. Spice ... ... 2
Frederick S. Macey ... 3
Ernest J. Dobbie ... ... 4 *Walter Milliner ... ... Tinor
Conducted by W. Spice.

* First peal. This peal was rung with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to Mr. A. J. Tidy, for many years Churchwarden of the parish, an old ringer, and a gentleman highly respected throughout the district, whose remains were interred on the above date.


## WOOLWICH.

THE MDDI.ESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND I.ONDON DIOCESAN GUTI.D.

On Tuesday, December 9, 1913. in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor ${ }^{1} 3 \mathrm{cwt}$.
$\begin{array}{cccc:ccccc}\text { Charles T. Coles ... } & \ldots . \text { Treble } & \text { Reuben Sanders } & \ldots & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { *T. Reginat.d Dennis } & \ldots & 2 & \text { William Pye } \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 6 \\ \text { Isabc G. Shade } & \ldots & \ldots & 3 & \text { Alfred WV. Grimes... } & . . . & 7\end{array}$
 *John IV. Cornford ... 4 ! Ernest Pye
Composed by C. Middleton, end Composed by C. Middleton, end
Conducted by Ernest Pre.

* First peal in the method.


## EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.

THE: SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Tuesiay, December 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans Four-Part
Edward J. Mallard... ...Treble Erinest Golver ... ... ... 2 EdWard W. Bray ... ... 3
Edgar Hancox ... ... ... 4

Tenor $8 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$., in A .
Joseph Sharp ... ... ... 5
George H. Howse...
Keith Har
Sharles Gatland ... Conducted by Keith Hart
Rung in honour of the visit of the Bishops of Chichester and Lewes who were holding Confirmation Services in Eastbourne on the above Aate.

## LONDON

THE MIDDIFSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, Iecember 10, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road, S.E.
A PEAL OF DOUBLE RORWIGH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES
Tenor 20 cwt.

| Robert H. Hayward | ...Treble | William J. Nevard |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| T. Reginald Dennis | 2 | *Robert W. Green... |  |
| Alfred W. Grimes | 3 | Frank I. Hairs |  |
| J. Armiger Troinope | . 4 | James E. Davis |  |

* First peal in the method.

WOKINGHAM, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Weduesday, Lecember 10, 1913, in Three Howrs and One Mimite. At the Chorch of St. Padl,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

 Ambrose W. Osborne 2 John Rance

Composed and Conducted by Fraxk Hopgood.

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## WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE,

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.
On Thursday, December 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Giles,

## A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRJPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
Benjamin Gough ... ...Treble
Thomas Hile ... ... ... 2
$\begin{array}{lcccc}\text { James Tyler } & \ldots & \ldots & . . & 3 \\ \text { Bert Horton } & \ldots & \ldots & . . & 4\end{array}$

Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{Cwt}$.
Edgar Marlow ... … 5 Christopher Wallater... 6 Frank W. Perrens *John A. Brown ... ... Tenor
Conducted by Frank W. Perrens.

* First peal in the method. This was the conductor's first attempt to call a peal of Stedman


## BUSHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Dccember 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. James,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor iz cwt.
 Composed by Arthur Kinights, and Conducted by Alfred W. Grimes.
Rung as a birthday compliment to F. A. Smith and to Miaster Fred Grimes, son of the conductor.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.
THE LANCASIIIRE ASSOCIATION.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.
On Thursdey, December 11. 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES ;
Samuel Wood... ... ...Treble Thomas Jakeman
Chas. Bower ......$\quad \ldots \quad 2 \quad$ Benj. Gill $\quad . .$.
*Jonathan Broadbent ... 3 John Harrison... .... ...
Joseph Mellor ... ... 4 Samuel Booth... ... ... Tenor Composed and Conducted by Samuel Wood.
*First peal in the method. This peal was rung on the front eight.

## PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Onc Minute.
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
4 PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES ;
Tenor If cwt. I qr. if lbs.
Fredk. Roope
Charles Baker...
$\begin{array}{ccc}\text {... } & \text { Treble } \\ \ldots . & \ldots & 2\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{ll}\ldots & 2 \\ \cdots & 3\end{array}$
Wifliam Roope
Edwin Whiting...
Ernest Whitingt - Fredk. Burrows
Alfred Smith ...

Alfred Smith ... ... ... 6
Composed by N. J. Pitstow, and Conducted by Fredr. Roope.

* First peal in the method.

FOXEARTH, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, December 11, 1913, in Tato Hours and Forth-six Minutis,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES ;

Walter P. Gridley...
G. Bernard Ward ...
...Treble
Theodore Slater Frederick Inch

Arthur Maxim Frederick Inch

Composed by C. H. Hatitersley, and Conducted by Samorl Evans.
This peal was arranged for Mr. G. Maxim, of Cheshunt, who was on a visit to his native place. A peal of Oxford was also attempted on Saturday but unfortunately came to grief four leads from the finish

## LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Decenber 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary, Lewisham,
a peal of double norwich court bob major, 5040 Chances; Tenor 23 cwt .

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Mr. Dent was elected a member previous to starting. First peal on the bells.

## UCKFIELD, SUSSEX.

[HE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Decenber 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Chorgh of the Holy Cross,
A PEAL DF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 Chances; Tenor 12 cwt .

| lfred J. Turner | Treble | Oliver Sippetts |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| lbert D. Stone | 2 | Richard Stredwick | 6 |
| Edward C. Merritt |  | William C. Hart |  |
| lbert Harman |  | Keith Hart | Teno |

Composed by Henry Dains, and Conducted by Keith Hart.

## NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHAMGES; Tenor rit cwt.

| +William C. Wakley | ...Treble | Geoffrey Stoneley | ... | 5 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Charles Sanders ... | .. | 2 | Herbert Hurdman ... | .. | 6 | | "Charles Sanders ... | .. | 2 | Herbert Hurdman... | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 6 |  |  |  |
| Albert P. Wakley | $\cdots$ | 3 | John H. Swinfield... | .. |
| 7 |  |  |  |  | William W.Worthingion 4 Algernon P. J. Stone ... Tenor Composed by John W. Barker, and Conducted by William C. Wakley.

First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal of Major as conductor and first attempt.

## ECCLESTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, December 13. 1913. in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

## A PEAL OF Little alsion treble bob major, 5008 changes

 Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lbs ., in D.

| *Rev. A. T. Beeston | $\ldots$ | 2 | William Bibby | $\ldots$ | ... |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ${ }^{*}$ Albert E. Richards | $\ldots$ | 3 | Edwin H. Lewis | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  | George Jones... ... ... 4 Henry W. Wilde ... ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Henry W. Wilde.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells, also first in the method as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble. This is the first 5008 ever rung in a Treble Bob method.

ORMESBY, YORKS
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

## At ter Parish Chorch,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Thorstans' Four-Part. Tenor i8 cwt.
John George Hall ... ...Tyeble William Broadley ... 5
Frederick Laverick... ... 2 John Henry Jones ... 6 Alexander MacFarlane 3 Thomas Metcalfe … 7 William T. Holmes... ... 4 *Lucian Vends ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Thomas Metcalfe.

* First peal in any method. Rung as a birthday compliment to Alexander MacFarlane.


## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIUN.
On Saturday, Decentber 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 GHANGES

## Tenor $20 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., in $E$.

Frederick W. Bailey ...Treble $\mid$ James M. Bailey ... ... 5
Ernest S. Bailey ... ... 2 Edgar H. Bailey ... ... 6
George Wilson ... ... 3 Charles F. Bailey... ... 7
Allen F. Bailey ... ... 4 George Hardy... ... ...Tenor
Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.
This peal was rung at the express wish of Mrs. Hillen, daughter of the late William Rivett Taylor, who was for many years a much respected member of St. Margaret's Society, Leiston.

## EYNSFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Decenber 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor i2 cwt.
Thomas Booker ... ...Treble Reuben Baldwin ... ... 5
Hubert J. Blackwall ... 2 Reginald Brough ... ... 6
Albert E. Newick ......$\quad 3$ Isabc Emery $. . . \quad . .$.
George Durling ... ... 4 William West... ... ...Tenor
Conducted by Isaac Emery.
Rung after meeting short for Stedman, Mr. Booker kindly obliging at the last minute. The peal was a birthday compliment to Mr. H. J. Blackwell.

## OLD WINDSOR, BERKS

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL of GRAhdSire triples, 5040 GHanges;

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor il cwt 2 qr. 2 I lb . Joseph Guttridge ... ...Treble Miss Mary Chillingworth 2 Herbert Cox ... ... ... 3 *Christopher R. Walker 4 William Lawrence ... 5 Arthur IV. G. Blake ... 6 William Welling ... ... ${ }^{7}$ John Burt ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by William Welling.

* First peal with a bob bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble.


## STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Chorch of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Holt's Ten-Part

-Lun Lane Waiker... ...Treble
William A. Needham ... 2
George wood 3
Henry Briggs.

Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Charles H. Briggs Arthur R. Aldham George P. Garner Fred Cotton ... ... ...Tenor Fred Cotion ...
Robert Aldham.

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## HORRINGER, SUFFOLK.

TIIE FLY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
AND THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY, BURY ST. EDMUNDS. On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Tüo Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St. Leonard,

## A FEAL CF CRINDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.
Tenor 9 cwt o qr. 3 lbs.

| Arthur E. Moore | $\ldots$ | ... Tyeble | Arthur Rolfe | ... | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frank J. Levitt | $\ldots$ | .. | 2 | Harry A. Turner ... | .. | 6 |

 George Debenham $\ldots \quad 4$ *James Debenham ... ...Tenor Conducted by Arthur E. Moore.

* First peal of Grandsire Triples.

NORTHOWRAM, YORISSHIRE.
TIIE YORKSHIIRE ASSOCIATION
and hallfax and district association.
On Saturday, Decanb:v 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Matthew,

## A PEAL of Kent treble bob major, 5184 Chances;



Composed by Arther Knights, and
Conducted by John Lawson.

* First peal. First peal on the bells, which have recently been fixed in the tower by Messrs. Gillett \& Johnston. The tone and "go" of the bells give every satisfaction.

NORTH CURRY, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter and St. Paul,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 GHAMEES:

Hollis' Five-Part (No. 2).
Joseph Maddock ... ...Treble Thoyas Dobie Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr .9 lbs . …...$\quad 2$ Gabriel Chamberlain ... $\quad 6$ David G. Taylor … 3 Walter Farify -...
 Conducted by J. Maddock.

* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss B. Duman on her attaining her 2Ist birthday, the band wishing her many happy returns. It is 17 years since a peal was rung on these bells.


## PORTSMOUTH.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILJ.
On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas a Beckett,

## A PEAL OF KENT treble bob major, 5088 Changes;

 Tenor 25 cwt . 2 qrs.George Williams Treble *FDwapD William T. Tucker ... .... 2 Edwin J. Harding ... ... 6
 Hexry Reynolds ....... 4 James George ... ... ...Tenor Composed by Hy. Dains, and
Conducted by George Wilimams.

* First peal of Treble Bob. First peal of Treble Bob on the bells.


## KIBWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (Leicester Branch.)
On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Wilfrid,

## A PEAL OF DOUble NORWIGH COURT bOB MAJOR, 5152 Chances;

 Tenor $44 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.Dick Iliffe
Fred H. Dexter
Louts E. Allex.
P.C. Harold Jenney
..Treble Ernest Morris

Composed by Fred H. Dexter. Fow
Conducted by Chapies Hexter, and
This peal is now rung for the first time and is the first of Double Norwich on the belts.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES: Tenor 2I cwt.
John R. Main ... ... ...Treble Alfred H. Martin ... 5 Arthor Smeathers ... ... 2 Frederick W. Sawford 6
 David J. Nichols ... ... 4 Walter Perking ... ...Tenor Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by W. Perkins.
This is J. Houghton's Goth peal in the method and the treble man's first peal of Major. First peal of Major on the bells since they were rehung.

## BARKING, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Deicmber 15, 1913, in Threc Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,
4 PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 22 cwt .
Albert C. Hardy ... ...Treble ${ }^{-}$Retben Sanders ... ... 5
 Charles T. Coles ... ... 3 Alfred W. Grimes... ... ${ }^{7}$ Frank Bennett ... ... 4 | Ernest Pye ... ... .... Tenos

Composed by C. Middleton, and
Conducted by Frank Bennett.
*Fiftieth peal this year.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

TIBENHAM, NORFOIK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Monday, December 1, 1913 in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes, At the Cill. ch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 Chances;
Being 720 each of Annable's London, Primrose, Hull, Bourne, Netherseale, Cambridge and Norwich Surprise. Tenor 20 cwt . Fredk. C. M. Skinner ...Treble $\mid$ George Snelling ... ... 4 Bertie F. Turner ... ... 2 John Snelling... ... ... 5 Clarence Gooch ... ... 3 Fredk. Seager . ... ....Temoy Conducted by B. F. Turner.

HARESFIELD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Stroud and District Branch),
AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS. On Saturday, December 6. 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of. St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF BOB minor, 5040 Changes:

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.
George Packer ... ...Tyeble |*illiam Hale ... ... ... 4
"Thomas Baldwyn ... ... 2 Albert Wrigitt...

Conducted by Albert Wright.

* First peal of Minor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. Hale. It was T. Baldwyn's Iooth peal. This is supposed to be the first peal on the bells.

STOKE POGES, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(East Berks and South Bucks Branch.)
Oथ Monday, Decomber 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF MINOR 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Single Court, Canterbury Pleasure, Grandsire, Plain Bob and Oxford Bob. Tenor $13 \frac{7}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. Alfred Bateman ... ...Treble ${ }^{\text {George H. Gutteridge... } 4}$ | Cecil C. Mayne | $\ldots$ | .. | 2 | William Henley | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Josephi J. Parker | $\ldots$ | .. | 5 |  |  | Conducted by J. J. Parker.

First peal in seven methods by all the band, also on the bells. Rung on the anniversary of the re opening of the bells.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

> (Halesworth Society.)

On Monday, Decomber 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGE ;

Being 720 each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and Grandsire Minor, and two 720's each of Canterbury Pleasure, and Plain Bob Minor. Tenor 10 cwt .
Lionel Hammond ... ...Treble $\mid$ Arthur H. Took ... ... 4
Frederick C. Lambert ... 2 James Howard... ... ... 5
Charles Moss ... ....... 3 John Larter ... ... .... Tenor
Rung to celebrate the season of Advent. First peal in five Minor methods on the beils.

Hanley castle, worcestershire
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Vestern Branch.)
On Monday, December 8. 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, at the l'arish Church,

## A PEAL OF MIMOR, 5040 CHAMGE ;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor $x_{5} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Charles Camm ... ... ...Treble ${ }^{\text {Willitam Page ... ... }}$... 4


First peal in seven methods rung on the bells. This is the conductor's 50 th peal, he having rung and conducted his first peal (Doubles) on these bells on Dec. 8th, 888.

## BALCOMBE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Monday, Decenber 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;
Comprising one 720 of College Single, two of Plain Bob, two of Canterbury Pleasure and two of Oxford Single Bob. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{\text { cht. }}$ cwt. *Cecil J. E. Gasson ...Treble $\mid \ddagger$ Albert J. Marchant ... 4 $\ddagger$ Albert C. V. Gasson ... 2 Charles Holman ... ... 5 †Percy J. Hall... ... ... 3 Albert E. T. Gasson ...Tenor Conducted by Albert E. T. Gasson.

* First peal and first attempt. † First peal with a bob bell. $\ddagger$ First peal in four methods. Rung in honour of a Confirmation Service held in the Church by the Bishop of Lewes on the above date. Great credit is due to the ringer of the treble for the way in which he rang his bell, he being only 55 years of age.


## GORLESTON, SUFFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOC'ESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, December 9. 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Being seven 720 's called differently.
Harry Wright ... ... ...Treble Denison Hayward Robert Christian ... ... 2 George Orford


William Lee
ison Hayward
Rung as a birthday compliment to W. Lee.

RUMNEY, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Augustine,

## A PEAL DF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHAMGES:

Being 42 Six-Scores with to different callings. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*William Stanaway, Junt.Tveble $\mid$ John W. Jones … ... 4 Fred. Marshall
Adfred II Alfred II. Cossom... ... 3 Henry Pacey ... ... ...Tehoy Conducted by Fred. Marshall.

* First peal. This is the first peal in South Wales, and the first peal for the Association in which a lady has taken part.


## BARKESTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

 THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Southern Branch.)On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes. At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAHCES :
Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Single Court, St. Clement's, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor I 3 cwt. William E. Woods ... ...Treble Reginald Scott ... ... 4

 Conducted by Arthur Palmer

- First peal as conductor. $\dagger 50$ th peal.


## LEICESTER

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifly-three Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael's, Thurmaston.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANCES:

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford and Plain Bob. Ttnrr rot cwt.
Rex T. Buswbll $\quad . . . \quad$...Treble ${ }^{\text {Frederick Kilborn }}$... 4 Albert E. Fourt $\ldots . . . . .2^{2}$ Walter T. Wilson... William C. Leivis ... ... 3 E. Maurice Atkins ... Tenor

Conducted by E. M. Atmins.
The above belong to the Isham (Northants) Society. First peal containing seven methods on the bells.

CLIFTON REYNES, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (North Bucks Brasch.)
On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

## A PEAL OF TrEble bob minor, 5040 Chamges:

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, Londun Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Violet, Kent and Oxford.
Frank Boswell... ... ...Tyeble Eredr. J. Mynard ... ... 4 Henry W. Gayto ... … 2 George H. F. West … 3 Charles W. Clarke ... $\bar{j}$ Conducted by Charles W. Clarke.

## LONDON.

THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin, Gospel Oak,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MiNOR, 5040 ChANGES;

Being 720 each of Chester, Carlisle, Lincoln, London, Wells, York and Durham. Tenor $12 \frac{3}{2}$ cwt.
William Truss ... ... ...Treble $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { William H. Theobald ... }\end{aligned}\right.$ George A. Black ... $\ldots . . .2$ William Miller... John Modle ......$\quad$... 3 Harry Torble ... ... ... Tenor Conducted by William Milier.
This is the first peal of Surprise Minor on the bells. The band thank the Vicar for giving permission to ring and Mr. A. E. Brightman for having everything in readiness. These methods are all Class IV.

COLNE ENGAINE, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
:OneSaturday, December 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Beingi7zo of New London Pleasure, two 720's each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford, called differently.

Tenor ro cwt.


* First peal as conductor. First peal of Treble Bob on the bells ; first peal of Treble Bob Minor by all. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. French.


## KILNDOWN, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES ;
Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor I5 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lbs.

First peal in seven methods on the bells.

SUCKLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Western Branch.)
On Saturday, December 13, 19/3, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor ry cwt. John Worman ... ... ...Treble Robert G. Knowles ... 4 | William Nibleit | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | William Ranford | .. | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John Howells | .. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Charles Camm | ... | ...$T e n o r$ |

Conducted by W. Ranford
This peal was attempted at Leigh (but unsuccessfully) on November 6th, in honour of Mr. J. R. Newman's wedding. It is W. Ranford's 3oth peal, and the first conducted by him.

## I.AMBERHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIA'IION.
On Sunday, December 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

| John Bailey...... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Tyeble | Andrew Marshall... | ... | 4 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| George Fuler... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Walter Marshall | ... | 5 | George Fuller... Albert Relfe

Andrew Marshall.
Walter Marshall
Jim Beach.
Conducted by Albert Relfe.
Rung as a birthday compliment to John Bailey.

MUCH MARCLE, HEREFORDSHIRE
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (North Forest Branch.)
On Sunday, December 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-fight Minutes, At the Church of St. Bartholomew,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE \& ST. DUNSTAN'S DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES

Being 42 Six-Scores each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt.
W. A. James … ... ...Treble Ex.-Sergt. J. Williams... 4
H. AWFord ... ... ... ... 2 W. J. Roberts ... ... ... 5
A. Martin

Conducted by W. J. Roberts.

## handbell peals.

CAMBRIDGE.
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Monday, December 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Four Minutes, At Trinity Colle(ie,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

J. Bruce Williamson ... i-2 | William D. James ... 5-6

Rev. A. H. F. Boughey 3-4 |James Butler...
Composed by J. A. Trollope. and
Conducted by William D. James.

* First peal.


## CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Weduesday, December 10, 1913, in Two Hours and One Minutes, At Trinity College,
A PEAL OF L!TTLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
J. Broce Williamson... I-2 $\mid$ William D. James ... 5-6

Rev. A. H. F. Boughey 3-4 *Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt-
Composed by N. J. Pitstow, and Conducted by William D. James.

* First peal in the method.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, December 10, 1913, in Two Hou's and Twenty-six Minutes,
At the Residence of A. H. Pulling,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRJPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Pitstow's Variation.
Maurice Smither ... ... I-2 2 Willoughby E. Maulden 5-6 Alfred H. Pulling ... 3-4 ${ }^{3}$ *Clarence H. Dobbie ... 7 - 8 Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.
Witnesses: Mrs. Pulling and Miss Hood.

* First peal on handbells.

The peal of Cambridge at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on Dec. 3rd should have been credited to the London County Association and not to the Kent Association.

## RE=OPENING OF MLLDENHALL BELLS.

Thursday of last week was a great day in the annals of Mildenhall, Suffolk, as the octure of the ancient Parish Church was once more heard after a silence of nearly three years. The bells, some of which date back to pre-Reformation times, had become unringable owing to the bad condition of the old oak frame, and it was decided to recast and rehang them in a frame for ten, it being hoped to add the two trebles at a later date. The work was entrusted to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and has been executed in a most satisfactory manner, the ring being second to none in the county for tone or "go." The dedication service, which was fully choral, was conducted by the Bishop of the diocese, assisted by the Revs. W. H. Wood (Vicar), E. R. Soaper, W. S. A. Grainger, E. J. S. Kendall, H. B. Woolley, J. D. Toolis and C J. Leighton. After the dedicatory prayers, a few rounds were rung by the local men, after which the first touch on the bells was brought round by a mixed band. In the evening, various touches of Grandsire and Plain Bob were scored, including a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples by: R. Lathbury 1, P. Fordliarm 2, T. Fitzjohn 3, Rev. H. B. Woolley 4, J. B. Williamson 5, W. D. James (conductor) 6, A. A. Hughes 7, S. Laurence 8. Ringers were present from Ely, Lavenham, Newmarket, Thetford, Milverton, Cambridge, Long Stanton, and London. On Friday a mixed band of the Ely Diocesan Association attempted and scored a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, the formal record of which will be found elsewhere.

Althorgh Mildenhall has possessod a ring of eight since 1887, only one peal had previously been rung on them, i.e., Grandsire Triples, by an Ipswich band, conductod by C. Mee. There are, however, several boards in the tower, recording touches and quarter-peals, one of which is of interest, as the treble was rung by G. Sharp and the tenor by $G$. Flatt. Undoubtedly i musical band this. For the benefit of those who possess the levv. W. Pearson's book on the bells of the Eastern Counties. the weights of the new ring are appended:-


In E Flat.

## COOKHAM BELLS RESTORED.

## ARCHDEACON OF BERKS AND RINGING.

The bells at Holy Trinity, Cookham, Berks, have been retuned and rehung, after a long period of silence by Messrs. John Warner and Sons, of the Spitalfields Foundry, and the rededication of the bells took place on Sunday week, the ceremony being performed by the Archdeacon of Berks. The Archdeacon, in an appropriate address based upon the words, "Praise God in His Holiness," spoke of the uses of church bells, and said the bells were made to be rung as a peal, in a way that only skilled ringers could ring them and in a way in which they put into practice the highest exercise of their art of change ringing, which was acquired as tho result of long training and practice. Bell ringing was no mere feat of endurance it was, indeed, that, for the method of change ringing was intricate-but it was a religious act, begun, continued and ended in a religious spirit. Thus, the bells became instruments of praise. In their own degree they were like the organ which gave expression to the thoughts and feelings of the human hearts, in their efforts to praise God. That fact was brought home to some of them, not very long ago, when a memorial was dedicated to the late Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild of Bell Ringers-the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, Vicar of Drayton. He was one of England's greatest bell ringers, and he did much to put bell ringing on a proper footing as a religions art. The late Rev. Robinson had himself rung more than a thousand peals, and some of the most intricate and longest that were known. It was rather a remarkable fact that wherever Mr. Robinson went, prayer was always offered in the belfry before and after the bells were pealed. On the tablet placed in the wall of the parish church at Drayton, which records some of the wonderful peals which Mr. Robinson helped to rimg, were inscribed two Latin words, which mean "Praise be to God," and also on the screen which separates the church from the belfry, and which was placed in that church to the memory of the late Mr. Robinson, was inscribed in Latin the text which he had chosen for his sermon that morning, "O praise God in His holiness." He mentioned that fact because there were undoubtedly some who had not entered into the religious aspect of church bells'that bell ringing was really a religious act. The Archdeacon referred to the fact that the first use of bells was to call people to worship, and that they also voiced the feeling of happiness and sorrow that were associated with individual, parochial and national life.
The local men rang the bells during the day, and on the following Tuesday a visit was paid to the church by the Master (the Rev. G. W. O. Jenkyn), and several members of the Oxford Guild, who expressed full satisfaction with the way in which the work has been carried out. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob were rung.

Messrs. Warner's work has included the provision of a new steel frame upon the same principle as that adopted at Chelmsford. The bells are hung with iron headstocks and the new patent self-aligning bearings. The frame is carried on four main girders, and provision has been made for two new bells to complete the octave. The treble and 4th have been recast, and the whole tunedi on Canon Simpson's five-tone principle.

## The weights and inscriptions of the bells are as follows:-

Treble ( 5 cwts. 2 qrs. 8 lbs.) : The Rev. Dr. George Berkeley, Minister, John Aldridge and Richard Poulton, Ch. Wardens. "I mean to make it understood that tho' I am little, yet I am good." Pack and Chapman, of London, fecit 1777. Recast by John Warner and Sons, 1913. Second ( 6 cwt. 3 qrs. 2 lbs.) : "Feare God, 1638 ."
Third ( 7 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs.): "Hope in God, 1638."
Fourth ( 8 cwt. 3 qrs. 5 lbs.): Rl. Rs. Bryanus Eldridge me fecit 1650. Recasti, by John Warner and Sons, 1913.

## Fifth (11 cwt. 0 qrs. 2 lbs.): "Love God, 1639."

Tenor ( 14 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lbs.) : John Balv. M.A., Vicar, Richd. Broune, Gyles Ree, Church Wardens. Richard Phelps made me 1717.
The Sanctus Bell upon which the clock strikes, and which is in a cot upon the roof, bears the date 1669

## IPSWICH RINGER'S DEATH.

The Norwich Association and the St. Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich, have lost a promising young member by the death, at the early age of 27 years, of Mr. Charles Henry Clarke, son of the late P.C. Henry Clarke, and Mrs. Clarke, of 41, Nottidge Road, Ipswich. On Monday week, as a last tribute of respect to the deceased. who leaves a. widow, With whom the utmost sympathy is felt, the St. Mary-le-Tower Society rang various touches of Stedman Caters with the bells half-muffled, fnllowed by the whole-pall and stand, and concluding with the tolling If the ege of the deceased.
The late Mr. C. MI. Clarke joined the St. Mary-le-Tower Society is Tanuary, 1906, and hadi rung 15 peals, made up of Minor, 1: Grandsire Triples, 1; Caters, 2; Stedman Triples, 1: Caters, 1; Cinques, 1; Double Norwich, 1; Kent Treble Bob Major, 5; Maximus, 1; Bob Maximus, 1. In July, 1910, deceased went to reside at Colchester, but recently returned to his native town, and succumbed to that dread recently returned to
malady, consumption.

## WORCESTERSHIRE PARISH'S APPEAL. To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-May we, the Vicar and Parishioners of Upton Snodsbury, Worcester, bring to the notice of your readers the effort we are making to rehang our church bells, which have not been rusg for 30 years. We have repaired the 15th century tower, which had been considerably damaged by the faulty construction of the old and worn out bell cage, and now we are devoting our energies to collecting funds for the bells. The parish is small, very poor, and purely agricultural, containing only 270 inhabitants. Four of the largest farmers are non-church people, and there are no resident gentry. Hence the task of raising money is a very diffioult one. We have managed to collect $£ 300$ for the repair of tower and bells, but $£ 120$ more is needed to complete the work, Will the bell ringers of England kindly extend to us the help they have so generously accorded to other parishes in similar difficulties?
The Church of Upton Snodsbury has a peal of six, the tenor weighing about 18 cwt. (note F). The peal was originally cast by R. Sanders, of Bromsgrove, in 1703. Four bells have been recast, the treble, 4th, 5th and tenor, and at the present time the treble and second bell are being recast loy Messrs. Carr, the second having been cracked for a great many years, and the treble being hopelessly flat. The old inscriptions and dates will be preserved, and the date of recasting added. The inscriptions are:-
Treble: ARMELL GREEN, JOHN GREEN, O.W. 1738, R.S.
Second: RIGHARD SANDERS, BROMSGROVE, MADE US ALL SIX, 1703.

Third: GOD SAVE QUEEN ANNE, R.S. 1703
Fourth: JOHN RUDHALL, GLOCESTER. FECT. 1793.
F:fth: JOHN RUDHALL, GLOCESTER. FEOT. 1805.
Sixth: CONSIDER MAN WHEN YOU HERE ME
THAT I EAR LONG MAY RING FOR THEE, 1719.
The peal is rich and musical in tone, and quite the finest peal in the neighbourhood. Tae rehanging is being done by Messrs. Carr, of Birmingham, who will put in a new bell frame of English oak with two iron garders to strengthen and steady the original beams which carry the framing. Mr. Gerald Cogswell, architect, of Worcester and London, is superintending the work.-Yours truly,

Upton Snodsbury.
W. J. HOLDEN, Vicar.

## NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE.

## To the Editor

Dear Sir,-I have no whish to pnolong this discussion. I did not raise it, but have to thank you for space in your valuable paper for defending myself. The Rev. E. S. Powell tells us he is not taking sides. Well, sir, if upholding Mr. Lindoff's contention is not taking sides, then what is it?

Again, he says there are but two 5040 's, while four are given. Here then, we get his glimmer of variations, while at the same time none of the 5040 's are mentioned ias variations of the 6048's. In conclusion, I should like just to put this matter in a more simple form, in order that method students may, perhaps, see it more clearly. These 6048's of Major are really 9720's of New Cambridge Royal, which the addi tion of a bob at a certain position, cuts away 13 of the 27 courses, the remaining 14 counses becoming a shortened peal of 5040 changes of the original composition.

HY. DAINS.

## ERIN TRIPLES.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-I regret that through my carelessness an error, which has been kindly pointed out by Mr. Lindoff, occurs in my letter which appeared in your issue of October 17th. It is possible to transfer some of the bows in 3-4 to 5-6 (the whole can, of course, be transferred, simply reversing the original composition). By this means the scope of composition is considerably extenced, and although no peals on this plan have so far appeared in the ringing papers, some have already been composed. With apologies to you and your readers for the error, Yours, etc.,
Holbeton Vicarage.
E. S. POWELL.

## THE WEIGHT OF WEDMORE TENOR.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-As one of the band mh . rang the peal at Wedmore, and as the person who forwarded the report to "The Ringing World," I should like to point out that Mr. Hesse knows as well as I do that the local ringers call Wedmore tenor 38 cwt. That is where I got the information, but I see by the Bath and Wells Association's report of 1912-13 she is put at 39 cwt. Both Mr. Hesse and Mr. White may be right, judging by their measurements. but there has always been a doubt as to the correct weight of the bell, and I think it will remain until the bell hangers go there to rehang the bells and weigh her, which I hope will be done before another peal is rung there. They want it badly. With thanks both to Mr. Hesse and Mr. White, on behalf of the band who rang the peal, for their kind remarks.-Yours faithfully, 7, Mill Street, Wells.
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Miss Elsie Bennett.
Miss Elsie Bennett is the first lady to ring three peals in a day, having taken part in the three handbell peals at Guildford, recorded last week. It was the first time three handbell peals had been rung in a day.

## ODD CHANGES.

The Spitalfields Foundry Guild have succeeded in ringing the first peal on ten bells by a foundry band, and we hear that they will not be satisfied until Cinques and Maximus have been rung. Appropriately enough the peal of Caters was rung upon Shoreditch bells, which have so recently been restored by the firm. This and other similar performances go to prove that modern founders are fully alive to the value of having practical ringers to do their work wherever possible.

The inquiry which we made last week for the quickest peal of Minor on handbells has brought us particulars of several quick performances, but the record seems to be the peal of Minor at Cambridge on December ist, igI2, when the 5040 changes were rung in I hr. 38 mins., conducted by W. D. James.

Now we are asked what is the quickest time for a peal on eight bells? If it is eight tower bells, we believe the quickest was about 2 hrs. 26 mins., if on eight handbellswell, we must ask the Guildford men.

The new peal of ten bells at St. Woolos, Newport, Mon., are to be dedicated next Monday at 2.30 p.m., and

South Wales will then be in possession of its second ring. of ten, which we anticipate will be put to good use in increasing the practice of methods on higher numbers.

The practice of adding as a footnote to a peal that it was rung on the eve or for a festival of the church is rapidly growing, but Mr. Challis F. Winney writes to point out that some of these reforences are a little "cockeyed." "For instance," he says. " of two that appeared last week, one was 'rung on the eve of St. Clement's Day.' It would, perhaps, have read better if it had been 'rung on St. Cecilia's Day '-the Patron Saint of Music. The other, rung at Haslemere, should have read 'Rung on the eve of St. Andrew's Day,' and not All Saints' Day.'

A ringer, with tender skin, writes to know what he can do to harden his hands for ringing. At present, he says, he cannot ring more than half an hour without getting his hands sore and blistered, and he hopes someone may tell him of a remedy. We suggest he should try rubbing his hands with methylated spirit, but perhaps some of our readers can suggest an even more effective method of hardening the skin.

An order has been placed by the Misses Webster, of Sible Hedingham, with Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich, to add. two trebles to the ring of six at the Parish Church. The same ladies had the old ring of: five restored and a treble. added, and a new steel frame fixed in Igiz.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Owing to Christmas falling on Thursday in next week, it will be necessary to go to press earlier than usual, and correspondents should note that all matter for publication should reach this office not later than mid-day on Monday.

## LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

An aitempt for a record peal of Treble Bob Royal is to be made by the members of the St. Martin's Guild, at Evesham, on Saturday, December 27th, starting at 8 a.m. 'The composition was given in our last issue.

## THE FIRST 5008 OF TREBLE BOB.

At Eccleston, Cheshire, a Chester Guild band, which has not a few firsts " to its credit, has just succeeded in ringing the first composition of Treble Bob with 5008 changes in it. Needless to say, perhaps, the method was one of the "Little " variety, in which the treble does not go above 4th's place, or the number would not have been. possible. Appended are the figures:-


The calling of the second part to be three times repeated. First rung at Eccleston, Cheshire, conducted by the composer.

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## ESSEX ASSOCIATION AND ITS OFFICERS. MASTER'S ACTION JUSTIFIED.

## To the Editor

Sir,-I am sorry to think that from the information you have received, and from the tone of your leading article on September 19th, and recently, the impression should go forth that the affairs of our Association were in such a deplorable condition and daily growing worse, on account of the action of the master and myself. Our Association has had a long and successful career up till now, with few, if any, intestine jars and dissensions. But no institution can always expect to meet with no reverses, however wisely it may be managed.

I am not writing now with the purpose to justify my own action in refusing to sanction the expense of a brake last summer in the northwest division, the responsibility for which had been laid upon me by the Association, and which is, I believe, the only cause of complaint brought against me after twenty-three years' service, but rather to clear our capable and much-esteemed master for the unjust and causeless charges which are being made against him. When Canon Papillon resigned our mastership in 1909, Mr. Howard was selected in his place by the unanimous votes of his brother officers, barring one, at a preliminary meeting, and this choice was ratified at the ensuing general meeting. The one who stood out has opposed him ever since, and at the recent meeting at Coggeshall, voiced the old complaint which was brought against Moses and Aaron: "Ye take too much upon you." Yes, the master has spared no pains, trouble or expense to make the Association progress, and has always been a constitutional ruler.

The second cause of complaint is the carrying to a successful issue of the scheme for placing the magnificent ring of bells in our fruture Gathedral, and more especially in influencing our members to give the treble (the suggestion that it should be paid for out of the reserve fund, did not emanme from him). Now, in doing this, he did no more or less than the Biskop of St. Albans, when he laboured for the division of the diocese. He went round to different centres, and urged the matter, simply by persuasion, and his efforts were crowned with success. The other cause of complaint was the selection of a band of ringers for the opening of the bells. To whom else than the master could this unthankful task be given? And those selected fulfilled their duties admirably. They were all chosen out of the Association, although three or four were non-residentiary members. Can it be wondered at, human nature being what it is, if jealousy or pique was kindled in the breast of some who were not invited; but that one, who had such a high opinion of his own abilities as to voice his own complaint, instead of leaving it to others, if they thought well, who had received an invitation and declined it seems incredible. The complaint that was made at Coggeshall, that district officers were resigning, and that others could with difficulty be found, because of the increasing distrust and dissatisfaction with the master and myself, is ludicrous to those who know. The master and secretary of the North-east division wished to resign last year, and were persuaded to remain. In the three other divisions there were no grounds whatever for such a suggestion. Great Totham Vicarage.

HENRY T. W. EYRE.

## INTER=AFFILIATION.

## To the Editor

Sir,-The above subject, re-introduced by Mr. Atwell, and admirably commented upon in your leader of the 12th inst., appears to be a subject ripe for action. When Mr. Godden originally introduced it, he, doubtless. had in mind, after a long experiecce as the hon. secretary of St. Martin's Guild, many capable aspirants, outside his own society, for a peal of Stedman Cinques, who could not afford to pay the necessary fee for life membership, and his (Mr. Godden's) large-heartedness and experience may have prompted the suggestion. Mr. Atwell, too, may have had a similar experience, and appears determined to give the ball a push.

Is it, however, advisable, or practicable, to recommend the subject for discussion by the Central Councll, whase agenda's are already overladen, and subjects, generally, insufficiently diseussed? Why not let societies deal with the subject separately, seeing euch society thoroughly understands its own constitution and financia! resources.
There is no need for extensive detail, to give secretaries already hard-worked unnecessary labour in dividing, and subdividing, a nominal fee. All that appears necessary is, when societies find as far as possible how far the step would affect their finance, to issue a card for visiting and peal ringing purposes for one nominal fee deposited into the hands of all local secretaries who would supply applicants on the spot.
Supposing a ringer spending his annual holiday at a seaside town steps into the belfry of the Parish Church to ring for a service, and a peal is afterwards suggested in the week, the local men would naturally like the peal rung under their own society's name. The visitor could present his home credentials, a card handed to him for a fee of, perhaps, one shilling after his bolfry election, and, the peal scored, the business would be finished. What a pleasure, too, the risitor would have in returning the compliment to his friends, should he get the apportunity.-Yours truly.

Old Hill, Staffs.
A. E. PARSONS.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION. PROGRESS OF THE NORTHERN DISTRICT.

The members of this district met in social intercourse at the Oollingwood Restaurant, Newcastle-on-Tyne, on Thursday week, and thoroughly enjoyed a delightful evening. Visitors from Newcastle Cathedral, and St. John's; Benwell, Gosiorth, Whitley Bay, Gateshead, and Darlingion, to the number of 31 , partook of an excellent supper, presided over by Mr. Einest E. Ferry, the esteemed vice-president for the district.
After the tables had been cleared, an enjoyable musical programme was given by members and friends of the Association, and special mention must be made of the boautiful rendering of various partsongs by a quartette comprising Messrs. Rutledge, Bigglestone, Liddell, and Bone.-Glees, when well rendered, as these were, rank amongst the most enchanting forms of music, and their performance roused the audience to great enthusiasm. Touches were also rung on the handbells, and the well-known and popular pianist, Mr . Shield, of Newcastle, acted as a capable accompanist, and played a brilliant descriptive piece of music entitled "The Forge."

In proposing the torst of the evening, "Success to the Exercise Mr . Todd, of Darlington, referred in appreciative terms to the efficiency of the ringers in the Northern District, and also to their "sociability,' and coupled the names of Mr. Ernest E. Ferry and Mr. Arthur Payne (district secretary) with the toast.-In responding, Mr. Payn pointed out that the Northern District was by far the langest of tho four districts in the Association, in fact it was larger in area than the remaining three districts placed together. He also said that the Northern district had rung more peals in the past year than the whole of the remaining districts, a total of 16 out of 25 peals, and he pleaded for this record to be thoroughly well beaten in the coming year. Hs intimated that it was the intention of Mr. Ferry and himself to visit every tower in the Northern District at least once in the year, and hoped that on the occasions of these official visits as many member: would accompany them as could find it convenient to attend. He re ferred to the arrangements that were being made for giving assistance and instruction to backward towers, and also to the arrangement peals for the encouragement of those members who were just entering the field of peal ringing, requesting all members in their district who were anxious to try their skill in a peal to communicate either with Mr. Ferry or himself, when suitable arrangements would be made at an early date.
In the latter part of the evening, the meeting was honoured by the presence of the esteemed President of the Association, Mr. C. L. Rout ledge, who, much to the delight of the members, sang an excellent song, stood in the handbell band, and entertained them in other way
Mr. Falconer proposed the health of "The Visitors," to which Mr Litile. of the Glee and Madrigal Society, responded. The singing of Auld Lang Syne" brought a delightful evening to a close.

## HERE AND THERE.

The death has occurred of Mr. J. Bird, for many years a ringer at St Thomas' Church. Stourbridge. As a last mark of respect, the bells wer rung half-muffled, when 672 of Bob Major were brought round by: C. W. Cooper 1, W. A. Pugh 2, F. Caldwell 3, W. Meredith 4 G. H. Pagett (conductor) 5, J. Newman 6, J. Smith 7, A. W. Dodd 8 504 Stedman Triples was rung by: T. Heathoock 1, R. Moor 2, F Caldwell 3, J. Baes 4, R. Matthews (conductor) 5, J. Smith 6, G. H Pagett 7, C. T. Richards 8.

Another lady ringer is making excellent ${ }^{*}$ progress in the Art, and on Sunday rang her first quarter-peal. She is Miss Edith Jones, and she took part in 1260 Grandsire Triples at St. Stephen's, West Ealing, rung on the occasion of a visit by the Bishop of London. Miss Jones is to be congratulated upon her performance, and it is hoped that further records of greater importance will shortly be aocomplished by this enthusiastic young lady. The band, which included local ringers and visitors from Acton and Hillingdon, was: Miss E. Jones 1. J. J Pratt 2, H. Chandler 3. V. Holloway 4, W. Honor 5, J. A. Trollope 6, W. Lawrence (conductor) 7, C. Edwards 8.

By a slip of the pen we gave a false construction in our report to the decision of the Kent Association Committee in connection with the administration of their benevolent fund. It should have been stated that applications should come through the secretary and representative of the district in which the applicant resides.
The Bradfield Deanery of the Oxford Guild had a suocessful combinerk practice on Saturday week at Theale. Ringers were present from Reading, Theale. Aldermaston, Goring and Bradfield. The methorts rung were Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Bob Minor, College Single and Kent Treble Bob.

The last combined practice of the Sonning Branch for the year was held on Saturday last at Warfield, 18 members being present, representing Binfield. Fasthampstead, Winkficld Hurst, White Waltham, Wokingham (All Saints') and the local band. Touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Bob Major were rung.

## Chelmsford Cathedral Tenor Bell.



The new ring of 12 bells (Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs.) for Chelmsford Cathedral was dedicated by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans on Saturday, September 27th, 1913.

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## APPEAL FOR RESTORATION OF BELLS.

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A town's mecting has appointed a committee to raise the necessary funds and carry out the work. They now appeal for contributions not only from parishioners, but also from other friends of old churches and their bslongings. Since 1885 a sum averaging £200 a year has hat to be expended on restoration and repair of the fabrics of these Cathedral-like churches, exclusive of the cost of upkeep. All thrce churches stand within what was originally the same sacred enclosure, and there is only one congregation to maintain them.

Old St. Peter'к, the tenth century church, is in regular use. St. Mary's and St. Peter's, the thirteenth and fourteenth century buildings, both very large churches, take turn week by week for the Sunday services and any largely attended services on other days. Old St. Peters tower was built about A.D. 950, except the uppermost storey, which was added in the time of Edward the Confessor. It is hoped that its special character will emphasise the appeal for the means to render it secure from any damage through the roting bell-frame built into its walls
The three churches are within a stone's throw of each other. In St. Peter's there are six bells, and in St. Mary's four, but it is in tended, if funds permit, to paut a frame for eight in St. Mary's, and an earnest appeal is made for contributions, which should be sent to Mr. A. W. Hoodless, 11, Holy Dyke, Barton-on-Humber.

## TOWCESTER ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Towcester and District Association was lield at Cold Higham on Saturday week. This was the first meeting held there since the renovation of the bells, the old four bells having recently been recast, with a now bell added to make a peal of five, and the whole tuned and relung in a new frame on the latest approved principles. Space is provided for another bell to be added when funds permit. The ringing of the new bells was indulged in by various companies, one pleasing feature being the large number of young ringers present, many of whom were helped through their first touch.
Subsequently, an admirable tea was thoroughly enjoyed, about 30 members being present from Towcester, Easton Neston, Greensnorton, Flore, Northampton, Weston Favel, Pattishall, and the local ringers.

Afterwards a short business meeting was held, presided over by the Rector' (the Rer. N. W. Howes), others present including Mr. Dickens and Mr. Haynes (churchwardens), Mr. J. Dickens, junr., Mr. J. Slarke (Towcester), and Mr. F. Wilford (hon. secretary Central Northants Association). It was resolved to hold the next meeting at Milton. Mr. Dickens and Mr. Haynes were elected hon. members; Mr. J. Dickans, juni., and Miss M. Howes, subscribing members; and two ringing members from Cold Higham and one from Weston Favel were also elected.-Mr. F. Wilford proposed a vote of thanks t.o the Rector for the use of the bells, for his kindness in providing tea, also to Mrs. Howes, Miss Howes, and other ladies of the parish who had so kindly attended and waited upon them.-Mr. Dickens seconded.-Mr. Slarke, in supporting the motion, said how thankful he was for the Find support he received from the clergy to help him to carry on this work. He also remarked that when the time came for another bell to bo added he should be pleased to give the same support as he had done beforc. - The lieclor, in reply, weleemed the ringers to Cold Figham.

## THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The December meeting of the Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Society was held on Saturday week, at Staveley, and proved very successful. Upwards of 40 ringers were present from Bolsover, Bolsterstone, Chesterfield, Doncaster, Eekington, Killamarsh, North Wingfield, Ranmoor, Rotherham, Sheffield, Staveley and Treeton. The bells were raised obout 3 p.m., and were kept going till 7 p.m., with short intervals, some good striking being heard. The methods rung were: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Little Bob and Double Norwich Major, and Superlative, Cambridge, Norfolk, Bristol, Yorkshire, and Tondon Surprise Major.-Messrs. T. Whitworth (Treeton) and W. Jacquer (Staveley) were elected members of the society.-A hearty vote of thanks to Caron Molineux for granting the use of the bells, and to the locil ringers for making arrangements for the meeting, closed the procee lings.

## T. BALDWYN'S 100 PEALS

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## NOTICES.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral on the 3oth; and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 23 rd ; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays; St. Magnus, 7.30 ; the others, 8 p.m. The subscription of Is. $8 d$., which entitles members to vote on matters of finance, should be paid before February 28:h.William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S. W.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Late the St. James' Society, Established 1824). -Southern District. -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, December 2oth, at St. Paul's, Hammersmith. Tower open from 4 to 7.45 p.m. Business meeting at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All members and friends invited.-F. A. Smith, Hon. Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch.-The next monthly meeting will be held at East Crompton, on Saturday, December 20th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 6.30.-Joseph Ogden, Branch Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.A meeting for practice will be held at St. Mark's, Preston, on December 20th. Bells available from 3.-E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.A quarterly meeting will be held at Barrow Gurney on Saturday, December 20th. Service in the Parish Church at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at the Angel Hotel at 5 p.m. Meeting to follow.-E. E. Burgess, Secretary, Taunton.

## THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIITION.

The annual meeting will be held at All Saints', Newport. Mon., on Dec. 26th, to commence with a short service in the Parish Church at 4 o'clock. Bells (8) available; also the new (io) bells at St. Woolos available excepting between 3. I5 and 6.30.-The Rev. Connop L. Price, M.A. John W. Jones, Honorary Secretaries, Piercefield, Bar rack Hill, Newport, Mon.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis trict.-The next meeting will be held at Kempston, on Saturday, December 27th. Will members please endeavour to be present at this important meeting.--John W. Barker. District Secretary.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Divi sion.-The next quarterly meeting will he held at Billingshurst on Saturday, December 27 th. Tower open from p.m. Tea at 5.30 . Business to follow. Members in tending to be present at tiea please inform me by Thursday, December 25th. Outstanding subscriptions for the present year should now be paid without delay. - H. Evans, Divisional Secretary, Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.-Established 1755 .-The annual meet ing will be held at the Tamworth Arms Hotel, Moor Street City, on Tuesday, January 6th, I9I4, at 8.30 p.m. Alterations to rules will be proposed and the balance sheet will be presented. All subscriptions are due at this meeting.A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Secretary.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The quarterly meeting of the Maidstone district will be held at Barming on Saturday, January roth. The belfry will be opened at 3 p.m.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLANI) YOUTHS.-Ringing for Divine service at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields the first Sunday in the month, and at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, the third Sunday, both at oo o'clock. Meetings for practice at Shoreditch the second Wednesday and at St. Sepulchre's, Snow Hill, the fourth Wednesday in every month, at 7.30.-F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary.

CHANGE OF ADDRESSES.-Mr. F. J. Hardy has now removed to 54, Thurloe Park Road, West Dulwich, S.E - - The address of Mr. James George is now 4, Kimberley Road, Rugby. Will Secretaries and others of all associations kindly note.--Mr. J. E. Davis has removed to No. 70, Thornton Street, Walworth, S.E.-Lance-Scrgt. F. A. Holden's address is now Royal Marine Barracks, Chatham.

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 (conductor) 7, J. Barber 8.
HUTLL. - Yorkshire Association.-On Oct. 8th, to celebrate the golden wedding of Major Chas. Judge, J.P.: the highly esteemed people's church warden for the past 25 years, 1232 Bob Major, with a cover: F . Dale 1, C. Jackson (conductor) 2, T. Stockdale 3. F. Merrison 4, J. Itighfield 5, T. Morton 6, G. Dowling 7, G. T. Miller 8, G. Hare 9. Also 252 Stedinan Triples.
TWYFORD.-On the morning of October 7th, at St. Mary's Chureh, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1260 changes), in 44 mins., by the local band: A. Ings 1. F. Oxenbury (composer)' 2, W. Carter 3, E. Wateridge 4, J. Lampard (conductor) 5, W. Young 6, T. Spratt 7, J. Penton 8.
DENTON.-Chester Guild.-At St. Anne's Church, on October 7th, 1680 changes, comprising 240 each of College Pleasure, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Kingston, Wragby. Tanner's Pleasure and Killamarsh: H. Mardsley 1, W. Wilde 2, A. E. Marshall (conductor) 3, J. Walters 4, J. Pollitt 5, E. Walters 6. 'The longest length by all cxcept the conductor.

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The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two now ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, rocontly carried cut by you kas proved most successful, and given reneral eatisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualifed to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom. Yours faithfully, F T. BEOK,

Architeot, Diocesan Survejor.

## THE CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL.

This issue of our paper appears amid the festive season when from their station "Midway 'twint the earth and sky," the bells will be pealing joyously in celebration of Christmas, and with their brazen voices telling of the season of peace and good-will. This is the time when above all others the bells are welcomed by the public, for to an Englishman Christmas without bells would be devoid of one of its greatest traditions. The bells are almost as essential a feature of the festival as the roast beef and plum pudding themselves-that is if Christmas is to follow the lines of conventional celebration-and we ringers have an important part to play. It is, however, hardly necessary to bid ringers to be up and doing at this particular time, for they are to-day very much alive to their opportunities and privileges as well as to their duties, and doubtless there will be many records to chronicle, representing the principal doings in the belfries of the country during the present week. The interest of the Exercise will be specially centred upon the attempt for the long peal at Evesham on Saturday, when an effort will be made to beat the existing record for Treble Bob Royal, established as long ago as 1784 , and the band will have the best wishes of all ringers for their success.

Bells being such a traditional feature of the Christmas festivities, the season affords greater scope for the exercise of our Art than any other of the festivals, and upon this occasion the ringers' services are, perhaps, appreciated by a larger section of the public than upon any other. In ringing for our own pleasure, therefore, it would be well that we should not forget that we are ringing also for the pleasure of others, and it is, consequently, quite as essential, at this time especially, that the bells should be rung well. The public expect and listen for the bells at Christmas more than they do at any other season, and the public's expectancy is the ringer's opportunity. It is one of the occasions when a chance is afforded of popularising the bells, and the surest way to do this is to give only the best.

As long as the festival of Christmas lasts we hope the bells will play their customary part. For centuries they have rung out the message of peace and goodwill, for centuries more may they continue to share in disseminating this spirit, for we believe that, to the part they play in the Christmas festival, is due, in no small measure, the feeling of love which is cherished by most Englishmen for the Bells and chimes of Motherland,

Of England green and old,
That out from gray and ivied towers
A thousand years have tolled.

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## TEN BELL PEALS.

REIGATE, SURREY
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION
(Southern Branch.)
On Monday, December 15, 1913, in Thyee Hours and Fourteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHAMGE ।

| Henry F. Ewins | Treble | John H. White |  | ... 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William H. Card | 2 | Albert Harman |  | ... 7 |
| Oscar Giebey | 3 | John Sherlock |  | 8 |
| Arthor Holman | .. ... 4 | Henry A. Hoad |  | 9 |
| George F. Hoad | 5 | Harry N. Edwar |  |  | Composed by William Willson, and Conducted by George F. Hoad.

CARDIFF, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tnursday, Decomber 1S, 1913, in Thyce Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;

Tenor 27 cwt.
John W. Jones ... ... ...Trable Sidney Dawe ... ... ... 6
Frederick Atwell ... ... 2 *Frederick Viles ... ... 7
Clarence O. JTobbs... ... 3 Benjamin Thorp ... ... 8
William B. Biss ... ... 4 Joseph E. Sykes ...
Fred Chamberlain ... ... 5 Seymour R. Barker ...Tenor
Composed by Arthur Knights, and
Conclucted by Benjamin Thorp.

* First peal of Caters. Rung as a birthday compliment to Seymour R. Barker.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Saturday, December 20, 1913, in T'ree Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Church of Sr. Bartholomen,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN C.ITERS, 5043 GHANCES
Tenor 24 cwt. o qr. 18 lbs.
Thomas J. Salter ... ...Treble $\mid$ Thomas Bloore ... ... 6
Thomas Collinson ... ... 2 Thomas Hoghes ..... .7
Thomas Russam... ... ... 3 Thomas Miller ... ... 8
Thomas Hill ... ... ... 4 Thomas J. Eliton ... ... 9
Thomas J. Bratton ... ... 5 Thomas H. Reeves ... Tenor
Composed by John Carter, and
Conducted by Thomas J. Elton.
Rung on the eve of St. Thomas's Day; also as a birthday compli ment to Thomas H. Reeves.

WEST HAM.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. On Saturday, December 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Tïenty-two Minutes, At the Chlrch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GATERS. 5013 CHANGES; Tenor 28 cwt.
William Doran ... ...Tyeble James Hunt ... ... ... 6
Arthur N. Hardy ... ... 2 Frank Bennett... John D. Matifews ... 3 William H. Theobald... 8 Harold Burton Frank I. Hairs... ... ... 5 Edwin Barnett, Senr, ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by Frank Bennett.
Rung after meeting short for Cambridge Royal. Mr. F. Hairs' i joth peal.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE
(T)्ति) THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION, YORISHIRE ASSOCIATION AND ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.
On Saturday, December 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-tion Minutcs, At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 GHANGES;

 Tenor 28 cw .Samuel Wood ... ... ...Treble | Benjamin Gill... ... ... 6 Charles Bower... ... ... 2 Tom Wilde ... ... ... 7 Thomas Jakeman ... ... 3 Joseph Ridyard $. . . \quad .$. Charles Broadbent... ... 4 Samoel Booth... ... ... 9 Joseph Mellor ... ... ... 5 | Harry Chapman ... ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by Samuel Wood.
First peal of Oxford Royal in Ashton-Under-Lyne. First peal of Oxford Royal for all except the ringers of the treble and tenor.

GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Sotithern Branch.)
On Saturday, December 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes, At the Chorch of St Wulfram,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANCES;
Tenor 32 cwt .

| Lawrence E. Mears... | ...Treble | William G. Thorpe |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rev. C. J. Sturton |  | Fred Turner |  |
| Ernest Nidd |  | Sidney Proctor |  |
| Frank Proctor | ... 4 | ur Mackea |  |
|  |  |  |  |

Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by Sidney Proctor.

* First peal on ten bells. This composition, now rung for the first time, contains 5 th and 6th the extent behind the 9th in the tittums position.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

 OLDHAM.THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE ASHTON-UNDERLYNE SOCIETY.
On Saturday, Deeember 6, 1913, in Thvee Hours and One Minute, At the Church of St. Mark, Glodwick,
a PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 8 cwt .
Samoel Wood ... ... ...Tyeble Joseph Mellor ... ... 5
Chas. Bower ... ... ... 2 Benj. Gill ... ... ... 6
 Chas. Broadbent $\cdots$ Composed and Conducted by Samoel Wood.
First peal of Oxford on the bells.
NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, December 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES; Tenor 9 cwt. a qr. 26 lbs ., in G.
 $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Charles J. Fray } & \cdots . & \cdots & 3 \\ \text { William } & \text { H. George } & . . . & 7\end{array}$ William G. Edwards ... 4 William T. Tecker ...Tenor Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and Conducted by W. T. Tocker.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## EPSOM, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Decenber 13, 1913, in Tino Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWIGH COURT BOE MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Arthor Dean
Joseph A. Lambert Alfred H. Winch Benjamen Morris
..Treble $\mid$ David Wright Henry L. Garfath Robert Grimwood -... 7 William S. Smith ... ...Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood, and Conducted by William S. Smith.
This was A. Dean's 1 5oth peal ; and W. S. Smith's 212 th, he having rung 179 and conducted roo for the Surrey Association.

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On Monday, Decenber 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Сhorch of Immanuel,
a PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES; Tenor ins cwt.


## HECKINGTON.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, Decenber 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 20 cwt .


BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, December 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Heywood's Variation of Thurstans'. Tenor 9 cwt.

| Edin Breeze ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Tyeble | John Wilkinson ... | .. | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *James W. Bell... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Herbert H. Barker | .. |

George R. Newton ... 3 Edward Cadnce ... ... 7 Henry Fyles ... ... ... 4 James Martin ... ... ...Tehor Conducted by E. Caunce.

* First peal of Stedman.


## BEXHILL-ON-SEA, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(Eastern Division Qtarterly Peal.)
On Tuesday, December 16,1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thorstans' Four-Part.
Tenor i2 cwt.
George H. Howse ... ...Treble William J. Thomas ... 5 Walter Alcock ... ... ... 2 Edivard W. Bray ... ... 6 Percy Carter ... ... ... 3 Joseph Sharp ... ... ... 7
Ernest Gower ... .... ... 4 John Judd ... ... ... ... Tenor

> Conducted by Joseph Sharp.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, December 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-four Minutes, At Christ Church, Spitalfields,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE HAJOR, 5024 GHANGES:
Tenor $33 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt.
$\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Thomas İing } & \ldots & \ldots . & . . \text { Treble } & \text { Redben Sanders } & . . . & . . . \\ 5\end{array}$ Isabc G. Shade ... ... ... 2 Alfred W. Grimes ... 6 Bertram Prewett ... ... 3 William Pye ... ... ... 7 Ciarles T. Coles ... ... 4 | Ernest Pye ... ... ...Tenor Composed by Arthor Knights, and
Conducted by Vilifiai Pye. Conducted by Wililam Pie.
The above is the heariest peal of bells on which a peal in this method has been rung.

## HEENE, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wiednesday, December 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Botolph,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, bO40 CHANGES।
Heywood ${ }^{\circ}$ Variation. Tenor io $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
 William Hillman ... ... 4 Arthur Arnell ... ...Tenor Conducted by A. W. Groves.

BLETCHINGLEY, SURREY THE SURREY ASSOCIATION. (Sodthern Branch.)
On IVednesday, Decenber 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, at ter Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES;

| *Albert E. Wood | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | Oscar Gilbey ... | .. | .. | 5 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John Sherlock... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Frank Hawkins | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 6 |
| Arthur Holman | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | George F. Hoad | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 7 |
| Henry F. Ewins | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Albert Harman | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ mor |

Henry F Ewins
Composed by Arther Knights, and Conducted by Albert Harman.

* First peal of Major.


## GREENWICH

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Taienty-seien Minutes, At the Church of St. Alphege,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 SHANCES;

Tenor 25 cwt .


Composed by Arthor Knights, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.

* First peal in the method. Rung after meeting one short for Stedman Caters.


## TWERTON, BATH.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, December 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

Brook's Variation.
Henty W. Brown
.Tveble
Thomas F. King ... ... 2 -Arthor K. Harrison ... 3
Theodore Grant

Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Gilbert H. Harding William J. Prescott Samdel Hector ... Thomas Hogsflesh ...Tenor

Conducted by William J. Prescott.

* First peal of Stedman.

HORNCHURCH, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, December 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrev,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE bOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Ernest J. Butler
*William A. Pye
Tenor $19 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
... ... 2 Alfred Pye ... ... ... 6
Edward Hawkins...
George R. Pye ... ... ... 4 Ernest Pie ... ... ... ... 4 tenor
Composed by Arthur Craven, and Conducted by Ernest Pye.

* First peal of Major. This was George R. Pye's 6ooth peal.


## CRAYFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 18, 1913, in Two FIours and Forty-two Minutes, At the Church of St. Padlinus,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Haley's Variation.
P. C. William Floyd ...Tyeble

William J. Jeffries ... 2
John Wheadon ... ... 4 *Alfred Brockman ... ...Tenor
Conducted by Edwin Barnett, Seur.

* First peal.


## GILLINGHAM, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

 On Thursday, lecember 18, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Changes;

Tayeor's Bob and Single. Frederick A. Holden ...Treble
*Victor Rowlands ... ... 2

| *Victor Rowlands |
| :--- |
| ... |
| Vifred Hone |
| Ale |


| James Bennett | ... | ... | 3 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Conducted by
*First peal with a bob bell. Rung on the first anniversary of the re-opening of the bells.

## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, Incember 18, 1913, in Thise Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDCE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHAKGES 1
William C. Hart ... ...Treble John Capp... ... ... ... 5 Arthur W. Gravett ... 2 Alfred W. Groves ... 6
William Hillman ..... .3 Albert D. Stone ... ... 7
Albert Harman... ... ... 4 Keith Hart ... ... ...Tchoy Composed by C. Middleton, and Conducted by Keith Hart.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, December 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES; Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. 26 lbs .


ASHTEAD, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,
At the Parish Chorch,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANCES;

Variation of Holt's Ten-Part.
Tenor 14 cwt .
*Sidney Reddick
... ...Tveble William H. Corbett

George A. Cook ... ... 2 John Hoyle ... ... ... 5 Arthor Hoghes John Wyatt ...
$\begin{array}{lll}\cdots & \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & \cdots & 3\end{array}$ John Hoyie Conducted by John Wyatt.
*First peal. The ringers of the treble and 3rd were elected members previous to starting, W. Cook's 50th peal, all of which have been rung at the above church. Mr. A. Hughes, of Messrs. Mears \& Stainbank, was specially invited to ring in this peal rung on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the recasting of the bells into a peal of eight by that firm. The ringers were very cordially invited to supper at the Rectory by the Rev. R. A. Waddelove after the peal.

## LONDON.

THE MADDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, December 20, 1913, in Two Howrs and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary, Battersea,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGE ;

## Tenor 15 cwt.

Fred C. Maynard ... ...Tyeble Charles T. Coles... ... 5 Maurice F. R. Hibbert... 2 'Cornelius Charge... ... 6 Isaac G. Shade ... ... ... 3 Retben Sanders ... ... 7 Alfred W. Grimes ... ... 4 William Pye ... ... ...Tenoy

Composed by Charles Middleton, and Conducted by William Pye.

* First peal in the method.

THIRSK, YORKS.
THE CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, December 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Ten-Part. Tenor I7 cwt.
 Robert Brown ... ... ... 3 Thomas Metcalfe ... ... 7 James William Meesam 4 Ernest Robert Meesam Tenoy Conducted by Thomas Metcalfe.

* First peal and first attempt for a peal in any method.

BETCHWORTH, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
(Southern Branch.)
On Saturday, December 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF 808 MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES ;


BUXTED, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 20, 1913, in Three How's and One Minute, At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor I6 cwt.
Bert Challen ... ... ...Tieble| Alfred W. Groves ... 5 George H. Howse ... ... 2 a $\begin{aligned} & \text { Alfred J. Turner ... } \\ & \text {... } \\ & 5\end{aligned}$ Albert Harman... ... ... 3 Albert D. Stone ... ... 7
Oliver Sippetts ... ... 4 . Keith Hart ... ... ...Tenor
Composed by Edwin Barnett, and Conducted by Keith Hart.

## SIX 8 FIVE BELL PEALS.

ASHBOCKING.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION
On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Táo Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Delight, Woodbine, Kent, and Oxford Treble Bob, and two 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt., in A.

| Charlie Church | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ Tycble | George Bennett | ... | .. | 4 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| George Fleming | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Albert Fleming | $\ldots$ | .. | 5 | George Pryke ... ..... .3 George Farnish ... ....Tenor Conducted by George Farnish.

MERSTHAM, SURREY
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
(Southern Branch.)
On Saturday, December 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Tin Minutes, At the Church of St. Catherine,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES ;


Reigate, the rest belong to the local band.
ASH-BY-WROTHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Iecember 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Grandsire Minor, Woodbine Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Kent Treble Bob, and Plain Bob.
Herbert A. Holden... ...Tyeble Guy R. Ambrose ... ... 4
George A. Jones ... ... 2 Frederick Hayes ... ... 5
John Burles ... ... ... 3 | Frederick M. Mitchell Tenor Conducted by Frederick M. Mitchell.
First peal on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Fred Hayes, of the Swanscombe band, nephew of the ringer of the 5 th. The band wish to thank the Rector of Ash (the Rev. H. B. Hennell), for the use of the bells and his kind hospitality after the peal. H. Holden came from Meopham, the remainder from Milton-nextGravesend.

MORETON CORBET, SHROPSHIRE. THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.
On Sunday, December 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Bartholomew,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being i6 Six-Scores each of Stedman and Plain Bob, and ro of Grandsire.
Alfred Teckoe ... ... ...Treble Wililam R. Stockdale... 4
Charles R. Lilley... ... 2 Alfred E. Fullick... ... 5 William Weatherby ... 3 •Edward V. Rodenhurst...Tenor Conducted by Charles R. Lilley.

* First peal. First peal on the bells. The peal was specially arranged for Mr. E. V. Rodenhurst, who entertained the band to tea after the peal. The band wish to thank the Vicar (the Rev. E. C. Pigot) for the use of the bells, and Mr. Rodenhurst for his hospitality

WICKHAM MARKET, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, December 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Plain Bob, Oxford Delight, Woodbine and Kent, and two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor i6 cwt. Lester L. Gray ... ...Treble George R. Finch ... ... $4^{4}$ Alfred Clements ... ... 2 Robert G. Miles ... ... 5 Charles E. Fisher ... 3 William B. Reeve ... ...Tenor Conducted by Charles E. Fisher.
First peal in six methods on the bells by a local band.

## BARLEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, December 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES:
ıo different callings.
Walter Mansfield ...Treble |*Albert Howard ... ... 3 †William Peachey ... $\ldots \mathrm{H}^{2}$ | Harry Howard... Robert Howard ... ... ...Tenor
Conducted by W. Mansfield.

* First peal and first attempt. † First peal on an inside bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to the Rev. J. Frome Wilhinson, rector.


## COOKHAM, BERISS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (East Berks and South Bucks Branch.) On Tuesday, December 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Parish Church of the Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of one 720 of Oxford Treble Bob and two each of Kent Treble Bob, Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt. I qr. 23 lb., in F. Robert H. Young ... ...Treble William H. Fussell ... 4 *Charles Edwards ... ... 2 William Horne ... ... 5 George Martin ... ... 3 Richard Bockland... .... Tenor Conducted by Charles Edwards.

* 25th peal in 1913. The first peal on the bells, recently restored by Messrs. Warner \& Sons, of London. Dr. Batchelor, the Rector, kindly entertained the visitors to supper after the peal, and Foreman Tegg and the local men congratulated the band on its success, a vote of thanks being accorded Mr . H. Fowler for making the arrangements.


## BOBBING, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, December 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Bartholomew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single and Plain Bob. Tenor $9^{\frac{1}{2}}$ cwt.
Harry Jewiss ... ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ William Nye ... ... ... 4
*Frederick Hollands.. $.2^{2}$ Thomas Jull ... William T. Hyland $\quad . . .3$ Wililam H. B. Wilkins Tenor Conducted by W. H. B. Wilkins.

* First peal in seven methods and first peal with a bob bell.


## WEST PENNARD, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Friday, December 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Mirutes, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;


NEWINGTON-NEXT-SITTINGBOURNE, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Decmber 20, 1913, in Two Honrs and Forty-two Minutes, At the Parish Chorce,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, College Single, Oxford Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. William J. Wood ... ...Treble William H. B. Wilkins 4 Thomas jull ... ... ... 2 Cecil Bishop ... ... ... 5 William T. Hyland ... 3 William Nye ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by W. H. B. Wilkins.

## ISHAM, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, December 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB AND SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Primrose, Norwich, Netherseal, Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor $9 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.
George A. Blaxley... ...Treble J. Edward Chapman ... 4 William C. Lewis ... ... 2 Walker T. Wieson ... 5 Frank H. Talbott ...... Conducted by E. M. Atkins.
This is the first peal in seven methods, containing only Treble Bob and Surprise methods to be rung by a Northamptonshire band. It is also the first of this description on the bells, and by all except conductor.

HOLT, WILTS.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satuday, December 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes, At the Church of St. Catherine,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Called io different ways. Tenor I3 cwt.
*William Baxter ... ...Tveble Arthur K. Harrison ... 4 Samuel J. Hector..... .12 "Joserh T. Dyke $\quad . .$. Charles Raison ... ... 3 Sydney Francis ... ...Tenor Conducted by J. T. Dyke.

* First peal away from the tenor. J. T. Dyke was elected a member before starting. Rung as a welcome to the new vicar, the Rev. $T$. Roberts, and in honour of the birth of a daughter to the treble ringer.


## Whitchurch, Nr. CARDIFF.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being twelve 120's of Plain Bob and thirty of Grandsire.
Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$
${ }^{*}$ Fredk. Joe Bailey Junr.Treble | Geo. Mortimer ... ... 4

 Conducted by William B. Biss.

* First peal by ringer of treble, who is only 15 years of age. G. Mortimer was elected a member of the Association previous to starting. The band wish to thank the Rev. L. Ll. Davies for the use of the bells.


## DEEPING ST. NICHOLAS, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, December 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 of Double Court, and two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 6!, cwt.

- John Taylor ... ... ...Treble | John W. Lakin, Junr. ... 4 Thomas R. Vaughan ... 2 George R. Triss ...... John L. Jutson ... ... 3 John B. Halelfax ... ...Tenor Conducted by John B. Hallifax.
* First peal. Mr. J. Taylor was elected a member of the Association. Rung on the eve of St. Thomas's Day.


## WARKTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, December 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES; 5040 CHANGES;
Being io Six-Scores each of St. Simon's, Canterbury and Plain Bob, and I2 of Grandsire.
Matthias Hobbs ... ...Treble Frederick Kilborn

Treble Robert G. Black Charles Cooper ... ... 3 ... ... Tenor Conducted by Robert G. Black.
*First peal as conductor. This peal was rung as a compliment to the ringer of the third on his 2Ist birthday.

## WELLINGORE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, December 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES:

Consisting of 720 each of Single Court, Double Court, and Fulbeck Bob, and two 720's of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor II cwt. 3 qr.
Albert Payne ... ... ...Treble Caleb L. Simcock ... ... 4 Charlrs W. Baines... ... 2 George Scott ... ... ... 5 Richard W. Porter... ... 5 | Charles W. Else... ...Tenor Conducted by Charles W. Else.
First peal on the bells. First peal in five methods by all except George Scott.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## LONDON

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Wednesday, December 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-two Minutes, At i2g, Brunswick Street, Haggerston,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGE8;

| *Miss Elsie L. Bennett | I-2 | Frank Bennett | $\ldots$ | .. | $5-6$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ${ }^{*}$ Frank I. Hairs | .. | ... | $3-4$ | Alfred W. Grimes | ... | $7-8$ |

Composed by Arthur Knights, and
Conducted by Alfred W. Grimes.

* First peal in the method on handbells ; and by the Association.


## LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Surday, December 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At George IV, Brunswick Street, Haggerston, N.E.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

 Holt's Original.Frederick J. Hardy ... 1 -2 Alfred W. Grimes ... 5-6 Challis F. Winney ... 3-4 Joseph Barry ... ... ... 7 - 8 Conducted by Challis F. Winney. Umpire, Mr. A. D. Barker.

## SALISBURY GUILD.

PROGRESS OF THE WEST DORSET BRANCH
The members of the West Dorset Branch of the Salisbury Guild beld their annual meeting at Reaminster on Saturday week, when a large number of ringers attended, and had the opportunity of ringing at the various towers in the ne:ghboarhood. The Guild service was held in the church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. G. O. Hutchings), who also preached an appropriate sermon from the text, "Bells of gold" (Exodus xxviii, 33).
Tea was afterwards provided in the schools, and the business meeting followed, the chair being taken by the Rev. G. F. Langford (president of the branch). Ab-out 60 ringers were present.

The Hon. Secretary (Mr. F. Bugler) submitted the statement of accounts. The year began with a balance in hand of $£ 25 \mathrm{~s}$. 10d., and the receipts during the year amounted to $£ 7 \mathrm{Os}$. 10d. The expenditure, including £1 1s. to the Stoke Abbot Bell Fund, was £5 12s., leaving a balanco in hand of $£ 314 \mathrm{~s}$. 8 d . -The meeting voted $£ 22 \mathrm{~s}$. to the Diocesan Guild Fund.

## GRATIFYING REPORT.

The anuual report read by the Chairman stated: " It is now three years ago since the re-Jrganisation of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild called our West Dorset branch into existence, and it is very gratifying to note that the new life then infused has grown stronger than the most optimistic could have dared to hope. The good work done during the past three years is very considerable, and the keen interest now taken in the art of change ringing is the most encouraging evidence of the wisdom of dividing the old unwieldy districts into smaller and more easily workable branches. In our West Dorset branch we have 19 towers with peals of bells of five and upwards in them (seven of eight, four of six, and eight of five), but of those 19 towers only 10 up to the present are affiliated to the Diocesan Guild. The branch oannot be really strong unless a larger majority, or all of the towers are affiliated."

The report went on to urge all the towers, who had not already done so, to take up method ringing, and stated that the membership of the branch continued about the same as last year, viz., 110. It was hoped with the advent of other towers the number would be greatly increased. The district meetings had been well attended, and it was a pleasure to speak of the hearty way in which all joined in and enjoyed Divine service preceding the business meetings. Restorations were recorded at Powerstock and Stoke Abbott, where in each case the peal of five had been rehung. It was hoped these restorations would lead other parishes to undertake similar work where such was needed, as there were several peals in the branch requiring urgent attention. The report, after thanking the incumbents who had placed these bells at the disposal of the Guild, and the Ringing Master (Mr. T. H. Beams) and others, who had given such valuable assistance during the past year, concluded: "There are now many members of this branch who have obtained a knowledge of change ringing, and regular practise, resulting in considerable and praiseworthy progress in the art, is carried on in sevcral towers-at Beaminster, Bridport. Bradpole, Litton Cheney, and hyme Regis. It is to be hoped that this keenness will continue and increase, and that those who have already made progress will visit other towers to encourage and help forward the work which is one of the primary objects of ihe Guild. ${ }^{2}$

The report was adopted, and the whole of the officers re-elected.

## THANKS.

It was decided to hold the spring meeting at Litton Cheney (where tha looal band have taught themselves change ringing without the aid of an instructor), the summer meeting at Lyme Regis, the autuma meeting at Rampisham, and the anmual meeting at Bridport.
Mr. Beams was re-appointed to represent the branch on the Diocesan Committeee, and the Revs. C. H. Cooke (Vicar) and A. Needham (curate), of Netherbury, were elected members.

The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to the Rev. G. C. Hutchings for his kindness in receiving them that day and arranging the service, which he was sure they all thoroughly enjoyed (applause). He also thanked the ladies for their presence and help (hear, hearl. The caterer (Mr. O. T. Moores) was also deserving of thanks for the excellent tea he had provided (applause). The votes of thanks were carried with acclamation.
The Rev. G. C. Hutchings, in replying, said the success of the day had been due to the exertions of their excellent secretary and chairman, one being responsible for the tea, and the other for the necessary arrangements for the service.

Mr. C. A. Jennings, hon. secretary of the Dorchester Branch, thanked the chairman and the meeting for the invitation that day, and conveyed to them the cordial wishes of the Dorchester Branch.
This concluded the business, and the company again adjourned to the belfry, where ringing was kept up till about nine $0^{\circ}$ clock.

## FOUNDRY STAFF PEALS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-In reference to the footnote to the peal rung on Saturday, December 13th at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, I beg to point out that a peal of Stedman Caters was rung at the Parish Church, Loughborough, on February 10th, 1888, which I conducted. My late father, my brother (Edmund Danison) and myself, together with seven of our employes took part in this.- Yours very truly,

Loughborough.
JOHN W. TAYLOR.

## RINGERS UTILISE MUNICIPAL BELLS.

On Saturday week the members of the Manchester branch of the Lancashire Association held their usual monthly meeting at the Manchester Town Hall. Ringers turned up in good numbers from Ashton-under-Lyne, Stockport, Worsley. Pendleton, Eccles, Whitfield, Bireh, Didsbury, Prestwich, Platting, Gorton, etc. Mr. Sam Wood occupied the chair, and the cathedral was chosen as the next place of meeting. - A vote of thanks was accorded to the authorities and local ringers for placing the bells at the disposal of the members.

## 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

 By J. W. Parker.| 23456 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
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| 52634 |  | - | - |  |
| 26354 | s |  |  |  |
| 62453 |  | - | - |  |
| 24653 |  |  |  | - |
| 62345 |  |  | - |  |
| 23645 |  |  |  | - |

Five times repeated with single at 1 in the last course of the 3 rd and 6 th parts.
First rung at Jesmond, Newcastle-on-Tyne, on Saturday, October 11th, 1913.

## BRIGHTON'S NEW PEAL OF TEN.

The arrangements for the provision of a peal of ten bells for St. Peters. Brighton, have now been completed, and the work, which is to be carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, is to be finished by Easter. A peal with a tenor of 25 cwt., and a total weight of about 111 cwt., is to be provided, hung with tough iron headstocks and hard steel gudgeons in two separate iron frames, seven bells being on the lower level and three above. They will be hung more than 20 feet below the level of the present eight, and thus place a minimum of strain upon the tower and soften the sound of the bells outside.
When the new ring is installed, Brighton will possess two peals of ten and one of eight.

Another name peal. This time by the Thomases of the Midlands. They scored a peal of Stedman Caters at Wednesbury on Saturday.

HARPENDEN, HERTS. - On Sunday, Dee. 7th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: C. Dellar 1, H. Day 2, W. Hill 3, H. - Iarman 4, D. Dellar 5. H. Coburn (first quarter on an inside bell) 6 , B. Jarman (conductor) 7, B. Coote 8.

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Cambridge Surprise Maximus ... ... 2 peals
Treble Bob Maximus.
...
3 ,
Stedman Cinques
Stedman Caters

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## BELLS OF FAMOUS ENGLISH CHURCHES.

ST: MARY-LE-BOW, LONDON.

By J. R. Jerram.

" Bow-bells" have ever been notorious both on account of the "Dick Whittington" legend, and also from the supposition that to be a true "Cockney " one must have been born within their souncl.
With regard to their history we find that in very early times John Downe, a worthy citizen, left two tenements in


Hosier Lanc (now Bow Lane) " for the maintenance of the great bell." in 1469 , by an order of the Common Council, a bell was to be rung every night at nine o'clock, and lights were to be exhibited in the steeple during the night to direct travellers to the metropolis. According to Stow, William Copland, tailor, the King's merchant, being churchwarden in $\mathrm{I}_{5} \mathrm{I} 5$, gave the great bell which was to be rung nightly at nine o'clock. He adds that this bell was first rung as a knell for the death of the donor. Weever states that she was inscribed "Dudum fundabar

Bowbel campana vocabar : Sexta sonat, bis sexta sonat, ter tertia pulsat," ie., "I was cast recently and was called Bowbell. The sixth sounds, the sixth sounds twice, the third strikes thrice." I suppose the latter line alludes to some custom as to the number of strokes given for knells. There appear to have been six bells here at this time, though Stow only mentions five.

In the story of Dick Whittington they were supposed to have been ringing in the following order when he heard them and returned to London: 531246, "Turn-a-gain-Whit-ting-ton." By adding two bells in front of this the present well-known Whittington row on eight bells has been produced-12753468, though this does not fit to the original words. But we must bear in mind that in Whittington's time not only was half pull change ringing unknown, but bells were not rung up at all as in the present day. They were only swung at stock level. So we must suppose that on this occasion they were rung in this manner in the order above mentioned.
Both steeple and bells perished in the Great Fire of 1666. After the church and steeple were rebuilt by Wren, an order for a peal of eight was given to John and Christopher Hodson; the funds to pay for same being derived from the sale of the site of All Hallows, Soper Lane, which was not rebuilt after the fire. In due course the bells were cast and hung. In 1738 the tenor, being cracked, was recast by Richard Phelps and Thomas Lester, of the Whitechapel foundry. Phelps died in the same year, and the foundry was carried on by Lester, and afterwards by Lester and Pack, who in 1762 recast the other seven bells and added two trebles, thus making a peal of ten, which were rung for the first time on June $4^{\text {th, }} 1762$, to celebrate Fing George the Third's birthday. In 1881 two more trebles were added by Mears and Stainbank, to make a peal of twelve. The inscriptions are as follows :-

Treble and Second.
CAST AND HUNG BY MEARS \& STAINBANK. OCTR 188I. MARSHALL H. VINE, RECTOR; Janes hľghes, Ifillian tegg, C. H. BowDEN, F. T. TIARS, JONATHAN CROCIER, CHURCHWARDENS.
The next seven bells from Third to Ninth inclusive :-
LESTER \& PACK OF LONDON FECIT 1762 . Wm GIBSON \& JAs PIERREPONT CH:WARDENS. (These seven bells have impressions of coins and © ornament upon them. The ninth has the ornament repeated ten times and five impressions of coins).

Tentl?.
Rt REVd Dr Thos Newton, Rector; Wa GibSON \& JAs PIERREPONT CHURCHWARDENS OF BOW: THOs \& JNo STEVENSON CH:WARDENS OF PANCRAS * LONDON FECIT 1762.

## Eleventh.

IVILLIAM GIBSON \& JAs PIERREPONT CH :WARDEAS OF BOW 3 coins t (a crown) SHMLEL BLACKTYELL ESQR GAVE L5o o o. LESTER \& PACK OF LONDON FECIT, 1762 . $\square$ (arms of Blackwell.-Argent, a greyhound sable; on a chief indented sable 3 bezants).

## Tenor.

BOW BELL $1669 \dagger$ SHMUEL LISLE D :D RECTOR, ROBT GREEN, WM CANNELL, THO: PARIS, INo IWALDRON, INo RAINFORD, CHURCH : [end of first line-below $]$ WARDENS REECAST 1738. RICHARD PHELPS, THO: LESTER FECIT. $\dagger \dagger \dagger \dagger \dagger \dagger O O f$ [be-
low on the waist the weight is engraved]. WT 53:0 :22.
The tenor is 65 inches in diameter, and the inscription is in thick coarse type.

In 1819 the steeple was repaired and strengthened with iron ties. A record of this is engraved on the waist of the eighth bell; "These chain ties of cast iron were applied for the security of this tower September, 1819. George Gwilt, Archt.

About seven years ago the bells were rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. Since then two peals of Treble Bob Maximus and about half-a-dozen of Stedman Cinques have been rung on them. But, perhaps, the most noteworthy performance is a peal of 5088 London Surprise Major, rung on the back eight, on January 14th, 19II, in four hours. The last peal of Stedman Cinques was rung as recently as November 29th, 1913.

In 1905 new quarter chimes were added to the clock, which play as follows: First quarter, 5123 ; Second, 512314; Third, 789-X84-534; Fourth, 512-314-579X8E ; the hour being struck on the tenor.

In a future issue we hope to give copies of the old peal boards in the tower.

We are indebted to Mr. F. E. Dawe for the unique photograph of Bow tower reproduced on the previous page.

## A WORTHY EXAMPLE.

## MEMORIES OF AN ANCIENT FOUNDER.

Whilst spending a holiday at Banbury I wandered oue day into the village of Chacombe, in the neighbouring county of Northants. The church, dedicated to SS. Peter and Paul, is an Early English structure, built of stone, with an embattled tower containing a peal of six bells. Knowing that the Bagley's had a bell fotudry here during the 17th century, I searched amongst the tombstones for any commemorating this family, and the only one I could find in the untidy and neglected churchyard was a small headstone, overgrown with grass, on the right hanal of the path leading to the south porch. It was inscribed as follows:-

Here lyeth the body of Henry Bagley, who departed this life the 1 day of January, 16834.
"To Perpetuate 5 y memory of an Ingenious Belifounder this stone was repair'd A.D. 1791."

Wondering what pious benefactor had caused this stone to be restored. I climbed up the dusty stairs leading to the bell chamber, and found the answer, after I had examined tho bells. The ring of six are inscribed as follows:-
Treble. Domine Canticum Novum, 1694.
2, 3 and 4. William Bagley made me 1694.
5. John Briant of Hertford, Fecit, 1790 .
6. Cast by John Warner and Sons, Limited, 1863.

It will be seen that John Briant, of Hertford, recast the 5th in 1790, and as he is known to have been a generous and open-handed man, it was he, no doubt, who restorad his brother craftsman's tomb. Unfortunately Briant fell upon evil times in his old age, and ended his days in the Spencer Almshouses at St. Albans, practically penniless. He was buried in the churchyard of All Saints'. Hertford, where his grave is unmarked and forgotten! His bells are found all over the South and Midlands, and as far away as Tham and Edendery, in Ireland, but his crowning achierement was undoubtedly the glorious tenor at St. Michael's, Coventry, now, alas, silent. He must have had a good and lucrative business, but no doubt his open-handed and generous nature, of which we have an example at Chacombe, proved his undoing. His name, however, will always be remembered by us change ringers for the many good bells that he has left behind to perpetaate it. 0 , 6 i sic omnes!

WAYFARER.

## ERIN TRIPLES.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir.-Referring to the Rer. E. S. Powell's letter in your last issue on this subject, may I remind him and those interested of a letter which appeared in your issue of September 8th, 1911. In this I pointed out that the transferring of bobs from $3-4$ to $5-6$ was of no value for obtaining the extent. Opinions may diffier as to what is useful, or what is meant by increased scope for composition. If the latter term is taken to include increased facilities for varying peals, then Mr. Powell is correct.
You may first vary the position of the bobs, and then compose a peal, or first compose a peal and then alter your bobs, but as an aid to connecting the 50 primary round blocks into one whole, the transferring of bobs is useless.-Yours sincerely, JOSEPH W. PARKER.

## A COURSE=END. <br> To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-The other diay I was prescnt at a large gathering of ringers, and the conversation drifted into a learned discussion (far above my limited comprehension) in which "course-ends" was a frequent and important theme for argument. Once during a slight lull I ventured to ask "what are course-ends, and where do they come from?" and though some attempts were made to enlighten me, I must confess I could not in any way grasp the explanation put before me. I felt this was mainly due to my natural obtuseness. I then asked how many course-ends there were, and ono said there were about 20 , another said 120, and a third said in his opinion there were 720 . I suppose these can't all be right, or is there really no definite number. Now, can any of your readers give any definition or explanation of this seemingly abstruse subject such as may be grasped by an individual with an ordinary (very ordinary) amount of intelligence, and un earnest desire for information on a subject on which there seems to be such a difference of opinion, or lack of information among those who I have been told are some of the shining lights of the Exercise. Are there any books published, or is there anybody to whom I can apply personally or by letter, who can put me through my difficulty? I shall be grateful for any light on the subject, however small.

LITTTLE BOB.
Perhaps we may venture to give our correspondent some information on the subject, although if any of our readers can explain the matter in a way likely to be more easily grasped by those seeking after knowledge, we shail be pleased to give their definitions publicity for the sale of chose desiring to learn.
"To begin with, $a$ "course-end " is the last change of a "course," a
course " being the set of changes, starting from a lead end (or its equivalent) and ending at a corresponding spot, and containing in between these two rows the complete work of a method, as performed by oue bell, usually the tenor. As an example, a course of Bob Major includes 112 changes, in the ringing of which the tenor does the whole work of the method, an 1 the course-cnd is that change at which that bell arrives again in its original position after completing the work. Bobs. however, may curtail a course in some methods, or may lengthen it in others by causing a repetition of a portion of the work. but the course-end is still the change where the tenor (or other boll with a fixed work) completes its circuit of the method.
The number of course-ends may rary according to the variety of method and the number of bells. Thus, in a penl of Stedman Triplss there are 60 crurse-ends, while in the extent of Bob Major ( 40,320 changes) there are 360 course-ends. In the same extent of clanges in a mothod in which the treble has a Treble Bob hunt there could not be more than half this number,
[Ed. " R.W.'"]

## ANCIENT BELLS RESTORED AT WHATTON.

At Whatton, Notts, the ancient bells have been recast and rehung and augmented to six by the addition of a treble. The five original bells were all of ancient date, one having been cast in 1590, and the others in 1618. Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, who have carried out the work of restoration, have provided a new steel frame, and their execution of the contract has given the utmost satisfaction.

The dedication took placs on Tuesday in last week, and was performed by the Bishop of Southwell, in the presence of a crowded cons gregation. A special band of ringers was chosen to open the bells, viz.. S. Proctor, W. Thorpe and H. Thorpe (Grantham), Rev. C. J. Sturton (Orston), Rev. A. C. Hill (East Bridgford), W. White and T. Squires (Cotgrare), and P.C. Knight (Aslockton). Touches of Grandsire Doubles. Plain Bob, Oxford Bob, Double Court, Oxford and Kent Trehle Bob Minor ware rung, and a 720 each of Oxford Bob and Kent Treble Bob by: W. Thorpe, H. Thorne, R.v. C. J. Sturton, W. White, T. Squires, Cyril F. Johmston and S. Proctor. The conducting was shared by Messrs. White and Proctcr

The inscriptions and weights of the bells are as follow
Treble.-All gave me. Gillett and Johnson, Crosdon, 1913. Weight, 5 owt. 1 qr. 3 lbs.
2nd. God save his Church. Robert Gelstrop, 1618. Weight, 5 cort. 3 qrs. 10 lbs.
3rd.-James Gelstron, Richard Jell, 1618. Weight, 6 cwt. 10 qrs. 6 lbs. 4th.-My roaring sounds doth warning give that man cannot here always livn. 1618 . Weight, 7 cwt. 3 grs, 27 lbs.
5 th.-All men that hear my mournful sound repent before you lye in ground, 1618 . Weight, $10 \mathrm{cwt} 2 \mathrm{grs}$.13 lbs .
Tenor.-These be our speed, 1590 . W.B. Y.M. S.R.B., weight 13 cwt . 0 ars. 24 lh .

## ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.

The last meeting of the year was held at Stone-in-Oxney on Saturday wesk, when the representatives who attended from Appledore, Rye Hawkhurst, Ashford, New Romney. Iden, Woodchurch, and the local tower, enjoyel a good evening's ringing, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob Minor and Grandsire and Stedman Doubles being practised. At the business meeting, it was decided to hold the annual meeting at Appledore on the 17th January, and as the financial position of the society is very satisfactory. half of the dimner expenses will be paid out of the funds. A voie of condolence was passed with the relatives of the late Mr. Harold F. Cobon, of Rye, and the hon. secretary was instructed to draft a communication on the nembers: behalf.

## Chelmsford Cathedral Tenor Bell.



The new ring of 12 bells (Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs.) for Chelmsford Cathedral was dedicated by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans on Saturday, September 27th, 1913.

MESSRS. JOHN WARNER \& S0NS. Ltd., of the Spitalfields Bell Foundry, London, have in hand the restoration of the following ring of 12 bells:

YORK MINSTER (Tenor 50 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.)

## THE BOSTON GUILD.

## RINGING ACKYOWLEDGED BY U.S.A. PRESIDENT.

The most recent activities of the Boston (U.S.A.) Guild are chronicled by Dr. A. H. Nichols, who writes: The past week has been one of unusual acitvity for Boston riugers, they having rung by invitation in four diffenent towers, while their performances have received noteworthy recognition.

On Sunday, Nov. 23rd, they met at the Perkins' Institntion, Watertown, to ring at the hour of morning service. Here they were greeted by many friends, assembled at the base of the tower from adjacent towns.

At the request of his Honour, the Mayor of Boston, Christ Church bells were pealed for one hour on Nov. 25th in celebration of the marriage of the younger daughter of President Wilson a.t Washington. On the following day, the President acknowledged by telegram this thoughtful oompliment.

On Wednesday evening, Nov. 26th, the ringers went to Hingham to ring the announcement of a conjoint service of different parishes on the eve of thanksgiving, a public celebration inaugurated by the Puritan settlers in acknowledgment of their deliverance from an impending calamity. The ringers were afterwards served with a bountiful supper at the village inn.

## A LOST PEAL

Thanksgiving day, Nov. 27th, was speut at Groton School, distant forty miles from Boston, this being the thirteenth anniversary of the opening of the magnificent ring of eight bells hung in the chapel tower. The ringers were welcomed by Messrs Sturgis and Abbott, of the school staff, who later manned the treble and tenor ropes respectively in various touches. The bells were rung before and after the morning service, and in the aftermoon an attempt was made to score a pal of Grandsire Triples, conducted by P. J. Allfrey. The striking was admirable for an hour and ten minutes (in which time 1700 changes were Jung), when a slip resulted from failure to hear a bob call. Indeed, it would be a marvel if a peal could be achieved in this noisy ringing chamber, where the conductor would require the lungs of a Comanche Indian reinforced by a megaphonc. The enjoyable day was brought to a close by a well-struck plain course of Kent Treble Bob Minor, in which the heavy-going tenor was successfully turned in by Richard Newton.
Lunch was taken at Commons with the boys, after which the ringers were invited by Dr. Peabody, the principal, to his private apartment for coffee and cigars, and an introduction to the other instructors. Later a touch of Grandsire Triples on handbells was given in one of the classrooms for the benefit of the beys. Prior to their departare the ringers were entertained at tea by Mr. and Mrs. Warren Sturgis. The visitors were impressed by the artistic excellence of the school buildings, grouped on an eminence around a capacious field, and with the fine appearance of the boys; nor were they disturbed by this, their third, failure in attempting a complete peal.

## AN ATERICAN NEWSPAPER'S DESCRIPTION.

The " Boston Globe " described at length the efforts of the ringers in connection with the wedding peal for President Wilson's daughter, and it provides interesting as well as entertaining reading. We, therebore, reproduce the article as it appeared:-

Yesterday for the first time in Boston, and it is believed the first time in the United States, a peal of bells was rung to celebrate a wedding. The idea is said to have emanated from the brain of Mayor Fitzgerald, who suggested that the bells in the Old North Church in Salem Street be rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Jessie Woodrow Wilson, daughter of the President.
The guild of bell ringers at the ancient church of Paul Revere's lantern fame, which is the only guild of the kind in this country on hearing of the Mayor's proposal volunteered their services and the event took place last evening, lasting from 5.15 till about 6.
That hour was chosen because the bridal party was scheduled to leave the East Room of the White House, in which the wedding took place, at 5, and it was an hour that made it practicable for the playere to be at the church, since they are all employed at some other occupation in the day time, and were obliged to finish their day's work before assembling at the church.

The original intention was to have a telephone connection between the church and the White House at Washington, so that the wedding party would be able to hear the chimes in Boston, but it was found that there was not time enough to allow of the installation of the necessary apparatus, and so no effort was made to carry out that part of the plan.
Though there are 14 bells in the peal, only eight were used last evening. Dr. Arthur H. Nichols, leading American authority on English bell ringing, was in charge, and operated one of the bells a part of the time last evening, as did his daughter, Mrs. Margaret H. Shurtleff, said to be the only woman in this country capable of that sort of playing.

The other players were Philip J. Allfrey, Alexander Matthews, William Bashford, Erinest E. IRandall, Jemes F. Laker, Gordon Mackman and Richard Newton.
There was no serrice in the church, the only person there being the
sexton, who allowed no one to enter save the bell riugers. As fast as tincy arrived they ascended into the ancient tower.

Once up in the tower each player removed his coat, and was ready for business, for it is warm work constantly ringing a bell for nearly an hour, and it is always done in shirt sleeves. The changes rung were what are called "Grandfather Triples," known only by ringer's from England, whence all the players at the Old North came a year or two ago.

There are said to have been more than 5000 changes rung during the less than an hour the bells were ming, and yet no two changes were alike. It is a curiors fact that though the bells were only 30 to 40 feet above the heads of the ringers, yet the cound of the bells was immeasurably louder outdoors, and in fact a long way from the church, than it was in the tower where the players were stationed.

One woukl nover think, in watching the ringers standing in a circle, calmly but vigorously pulling down on their individual ropes every few seconds, that it is a perilous occupation for one not accustomed to it. Dr. Nichols, however, said that so great is the power exerted by the revolution of the bells that if a person unacquainted with their working were to pull one of the ropes he would almost certainly be lassoed by the rope and jerked to the ceiling some 20 feet above, and then left to drop to the floor with a dull thud and broken bones.

In the streats outside crowds of workers on their way to their homes in the North End stopped for a moment and looked up in surprise toward the tower from which the bells were pealing forth their jogfiui tones, wontering what it was all about, but it was too near supper or - linner time for many to loiter long in the vicinity.

## BRADPOLE BELLS.

## A DORSETSHIRE RESTORATION COMMEMORATED.

A memorial tablet to commemorate the restoration of the bells, effected about three years ago, has been unveiled in Bradpole Church, Dorset.

The tablet is of beautiful black marblette with gold letters and decoration, aud forms a valuable oruament to the belfry, as well as to the whole edifice. It was presented to the church by Mr. Clement $N$ Nicholson, of Naish Priory, Yeowil, who, on hearing what the Bradpole ringers were anxicus to obtain, very generously sent a cheque for the whole amount required to the Vicar. There was naturally a feeling of regret that the hospitable donor was unable to be present to unveil the memorial himself, when the ringers would have had the opportunity of expressing their thanks in person. The tablet bears the following inscription:-

## BRADPOLE BELLS

In the old church there were four cracked bells. In 1847, when the present ehurch was built by the late Canon Broadley, these four old bells were replaced by two new ones. In 1865 the lighter of the two bells was taken away and four added to make a peal of five. money was subscribed by parishioners and friends.

In 1896 A. 7I. Broadley, Fisq., of The Knapp, added a treble bell. In 1910 the third and faurth of the. peal of six were recast, the treble and tenor added. and the whole rehung with new fittings, making the present peal of eight.

The total cost of the work was $£ 303$. The money was raised partly by subscriptions and partly from the proceeds of the West Dorset Historical Pageant, which was held in Bradpole on July 20ib, 21st and 22nd; 1911, for the purpose of paying the balance.

A M. Broadley, Thomas Stone, Crurchwaldens; C. F. Langford, Vicar ; T. Hervey Beams, Hon. Secretary Bell Restoration Committee.' At the dedication, performed by the Vicar, on Wednosday of last week, the Salisbury Guikl service was used, the clergy and others p ceeding to the tower, where the dedicatory prayers were offered and the unveiling performed by Mr. S. A. Pope, an official of the Great Western Railway, who had given great assistance in the pageant, organised to pay off the balance of cost of the restoration. Mr. Pope travelled specially from Paddington for the occasion, thus testifying to the great interest which the railway company exhibited in the parish. After the unseiling, a plain course of Grandsire Triples was rung on the bells: which were also rung both before and after the serrice. Subsequently the ringers were liospitably entertained to supper in the schoolroom by Mr. A. M. Broadley, who, at the commencement, said he was delighted to entertain them for the second time, but was sorry he was unable to stay with them. He wished them a happy evening, and on leaving with Mr. Pope, was accorded hearty cheers. Cheers were also incorded Mr. Pope, on the call of Mr. Broadley.
During the evening a hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Broadley, on the proposition of Mr. J. Lathey (captain), seconded by Mr. A. Hile.

The work of the ringing master and vice-captain (Mr. T. H. Beams), captain. Vicar, and others who had helped towards the success of the Guikd, was eulogised', and votes of thanks accorded.
Songs were contributed by Messrs. T. II. Beams, II. Haines and T. Lathey, and a recitation given by Mr. T Stone, and a most enjoyablo evening was spent.
On Sunday, Decembar 6th. a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, the first by an entirely local band, was rung at the Parish Church, in 44 mins., by: E. Holloway 1, T. Hervey Beams (conductor) 2. J. Lathey 3, S. Vining 4, H. Haines 5, P. H. Beams 6, T. Lathey 7, 2. J. Lathe
A. Hile 8 .

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

RECORD MEETING OF THE NORTH-WESTERN DISTRICT.
The annual meeting of the North-Western Division of the Essex Association was held at Bishop Stortford on Saturday week, and proved a record in point of attendance for the district. By kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. IF. T. Lane) the bells were available during the afternoon and evening, and a short service was held, at which the Vicar gave an interesting address, and welcomed the members to Bishop Stortford
There were 47 members present from Bishop Storlford, Stansted, Saffron Walden, Harlow Common, Harlow St. Mary's, Sawbridgeworth, Rickling, Elsenham, Werden, Cambridge, Braintree, Hoddesdon, Little Munden, St. John, Deptford, Roydon, and Ware.
The tea and business meeting were held at the Chequers Hotel. Mr. F. Pitstow (District Master) presided, supported by Mr. W. Watts (District Secretary), Mr. C. H. Howard (Master of the Association) and tho Rev. A. M. Winter (Vicar of Stansted). Unfortunately Mr. Howart was unable to stay to the business meeting, as his last train left at 6.30.
The Rev. A. M. Winter, Yicar of Stansted, was elected an hon. member, Mr. Charles Smith, of Hunsdon, a ringing member, and Mr. T. W. Newman, of Hoddesdon, a non-resident life member.

Mr. F. Pitstow was unanimonsly re-elected district master, and thanked the members for re-electing him. He expressed great pleasure at seeing so many ringers present. - Mr. W. Watts was reelecterl district secretary, and suitably acknowledged the renewal of confidence in him.
Waltham Abbey was selecterl for the next meeting to be held in February.
Mr. G. Dent proposed, and Mrr. W. Lawrence seconded, a hearty vote of thanks to the Yicar for holding the service, and for the use of the bells.- Votes of thanks were also accorded to the officers for pist services, and to Mr. Springham, the steeple-keeper.-Mr. H. J. Tucker proposed, and Mr. G. Dent seconded, a vote of sympathy with Mr. N. J. Pitstow in his illness, and this was unanimously accorded.
The ringing during the afternoon and evening included touches of Treble Piob Royal, Stedman and Grandsire Caters, Stedman Triples, Landon and Cambridge Surprise Major

## RINGERS ENTERTAINED.

To celcbrate the wedding of Mr. A. G. Le Clereg, the son of A. J. Le Clereq (a well known member of the Farnham, Surrey, band) and Miss Large, of Market Harborough, the ringers were entertained to dinner at the Railway Fotel by the bridegroom, who, unfortunately, was unable to be present, as he was obliged to go back to Colombia, where he holds an important position.
After dinner a most jovial evening was spent in eongs and toasts, he toast of the bride and bridegroam being drunk with musical hon-

Amongst those contributing to the harmony were Dr. Harwood,
Messrs. C. E. Edwards, T. Upshall, Kimber, Hunt, Chaffey, Ridgers,
oncher and F. A. Barnett.

## "AN EXCELLENT JOB."

The exc llent work which is a characteristic of Messrs. Lewellins and ames Bristol foundry, has receired further recognition in a testi. monial received from the Vicar of Brookthorpe, Gloucester, where tha irm have just completed the rehanging of the bells in a new A framn, wilt up on a foundation of strong rolled steel joists. The bells have been provided with complete new mountings of improved design, including cast iron headstonks, and have also been ouarter-turned
The Vicar (the Rer F. H. Blake) writing to Messrs. Llewellins and James, under date of December 18th, says: " We are very pleased with
the way in which your men hare clone the work here of re-hanging our brils. It is an excellent job. Your foreman was most obliging, and alo clever in the way he fitted in the framing without having to cut the walls.

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First rung at Ashton-under-Lyne.
HARBORNE (STAFFS).-On Sunday. October 26th, at the Parish Church, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 40 mins.:
11. Keys 1, G. Hitchman 2, H. Pratt 3, H. Grosvenor 4, A. J. CartWeight 5, A. T. Hyland (conductor) 6, A. Beacham 7, J. Sueh 8.-On mins.: G. Hitchman 1. J.' Such 2, W. H. Keys 3, H. Grosvenor (conrluctor) 4, A. J. Cartwright 5, TI. Pratt 6. A. T. Hyland 7, A. Hayward 8

## HINTON COMMEMORATION DINNER.

The second annual dinner in commemoration of the late James Hintion was held at the Admiral Duncan Fotel, Bristol. A large number of ringers from Loudon, Thornbury, Brislington, and various towers in Bristol sat down to a sumptuous repast, to which everyone did justice. Mr. E. P. O'Meara, of the College Youths, London, who was on a visit to Bristol, was voted to the chair, everyone present being pleased to see him again among so many of his early ringing friends.

After dinner the Chairman spoke of his early days in Bristol with the late James Hinton, and also of the latter's many good qualities as a ringer and a man.
Mr. G. Staddon, the father of the Bristol ringers, said how pleased he was to see his old friend, Mr', O'Meara, in the elair, and expressed the hope that it would not be the last time he would occupy the same position.
Mr. W. A. Cave welcomed the visitors, and spoke a few well chosen words to the memory of the late James Hinton.
Mr. W. Knight gave a brief account of the opening of the memorial early in the year, and expressed the hope that that company would all be spared to meet again for many years to come and by that means hand down to posterity the good work of their departed friend.
At intervals throughout the evening Grandsire, Stedman Caters and tunes were rung on the handbells by the St. Stephen's ringers. Recitations in the broad Somerset dialect were given by Mr. G. Stowell and Mr. A. Stowell, and many good songs were sung. The evening proved a pleasant and happy reunion of ringers and friends of the late Mr. Hinton.

## DEATH OF A RYE RINGER.

The Rye branch of the Sussex Association are mourning the loss of a brother string " in the person of Mr. Harold F. Cobon, whose death tcok place at Manchester, on Monday, the 8th inst., and whose remains were interred in that city on the following Wednesday. The late Mr. Cobon was only 26 years of age, and was a victim of consumption. Nearly six months ago he journeyed to the West of England, and underwent sanatoria treatment, but this was unavailing. Mr. Cobon was taken from the sanatorium to one of his brothers at Manchester, but only a short time elapsed before he was called to be numbered with the departed.

On receipt of the sad news, the Rye ringers passed a yote of condolenco wit! the relatives, and a suitable message conveying their sympathy was sent to them. On the Sunday morning, after the demise, the Rye bells were rung half-muffled, and a well-struck 336 of Grandsire Triples was tapped off by: D. A. Craig 1, G. Kenward 2, P. F. Giles 3, V. D. Teaurence 4, W. Bennett 5, G. J. Youngs 6, G. Billenness 7, G. Perrin 8. Further ringing was participated in by jitessrs. W. Henley, N. Alleorn, W. Youngs, R. Aitken and H. Kernott, while it was unfurtunate that Messrs. J. B. Bennett, Id. T. H. Seera, G. Price and $A$. Hughes were nimable to attend.

At the service whinh followcu, the Vicar (the Rev. A. S. Howes) made allusion to Mr. Čobon, and gave a splendid testimony to deceased's labours as a ringer, and in other departments of the church.-Mr.- Cobo:n has been connected with Rye Ghurch nearly all his life. He was a Sunday School scholar and a choir boy, and he has done duty in the capacity of altar server. He was a member of the belfry for a good number of years, and being possessed with excellent judgment and quick intellect he soon grasped method ringing, proving himself a valuable asset to the Rye band, who, when the vacancy arose, appointed him to the office of hon. secretary of the branch. He rang several peals of Grandsire Triples, and the treble to a four method peal of Minor. His face is sadly missed by his colleagues, who know they have lost a member of sterling worth. May he rest in peace.

## SPADE WORK IN SUSSEX.

Friendly ringing arranged between the Battle and Salehurst ringers took place at the latter tower. The visitors were met by the local band, and Mr. W. H. Perry, late of Alton, Hants, who has come to reside in the parish, and should prove a great help to the Salehurst men. Ringing commenced with a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, brought round in 44 minutes by Jack Thomas 1, P. Carter 2, W. H. Perry 3, W. Robinson 4, T. Booth 5, J. Sinden 6, W. Franks (conductor) 7 , W. Thomas 8. After tea, at Ye Old Eight Bells, several touches were brought round, including two 210 s, and 350,518 and 120 Stedman Doubles. In addition to the above ringers $\mathbf{H}$. Edwards, J. Goodsell and W. Hoad took part in the ringing. Ringing ceased at 8.30, and afterwards a pleasant hour was spent at Ye Old Eight Bells. -Mr. Franks suggested that more ringing meetings of the kind should be held at various churches to encourage local bands to take up change ringing in a more animated spirit, and it was decided that the Salehurst band should visit Battle early in the new year, when it is hoped to get members of other bands to join in the practice, of which notice will be given.

## DEATH OF AN OLD LEYLAND RINGER.

We record with deep regret the death of Mr. Oliver Worden, who passed away on December 11th, at the age of 74 years. For more than 50 yoars he was a ringer at the Parish Church. The funeral took place on Saturday week, when a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung with the bells muffled, as a token of respect by the following members of the Jand: J. Watkinson (conductor) 1. E. Grook 2, P. Watkinson 3, A. Robinson 4, T. Crook 5, H. France 6, E. Banister 7, J. Harrison 8 .

## NOTICES.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ). -Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on January ist, I 5 th, and 2gth ; St. John's, Hackney, on the 6th and 2oth; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 6th; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 2oth; Southwark Cathedral, on the 27 th ; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays ; St. Magnus at $7 \cdot 30$, the others at 8 p.m. Subscription of $1 \mathrm{~s} .8 \mathrm{~d} .$, which entitles members to vote on matters of finance, should be paid before February 28th.-William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.The annual meeting will be held at All Saints', Newport, Mon., on Dec. 26th, to commence with a short service in the Parish Church at 4 o'clock. Bells (8) available; also the new (Io) bells at St. Woolos available excepting between 3 . 15 and 6.30.-The Rer. Connop L. Price, M.A., John W. Jones, Honorary Secretaries, Piercefield, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION:-Western Division. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Billingshurst on Saturday, December 27 th. Tower open from 4 p.m. Tea at $5 \cdot 3$. Business to follow. Nembers intending to be present at tea please inform me by Thursday, December 25 th. Outstanding subscriptions for the present year should now be paid without delay. -. H . Evans, Divisional Secretary, Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. - The next meeting of this Society will be held on Saturday, January 3rd, at Eckington. Church of SS. Peter and Paul, 8 bells, tenor 16 cwt., available from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Business meeting, at which the Rector will preside, in the Parish Room about 6 p.m.-J. E. L. Cocker, Hon. Secretary, 38, Rutland Park, Sheffield.

ST. MIARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.-Established I755.-The annual meeting will be held at the Tamworth Arms Hotel, Moor Street, City, on Tuesday, Tanuary 6th, I9I4, at $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Alterations to rules will be proposed and the balance sheet will be presented. All subscriptions are due at this meeting.A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Secretary.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The quarterly meeting of the Maidstone district will be held at Barming on Saturday, January Ioth. The belfry will be opened at 3 p.m.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at Bolton Parish Church on Saturday, January ioth, 1914. Bells available at 5 p.m. Business meeting 7.30 .-G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Ringing for Divine service at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields the first Sunday in the month, and at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, the third Sunday, both at 1o o'clock. Meetings for practice at Shoreditch the second Wednesday and at St. Sepulchre's, Snow Hill, the fourth Wednesday in every month, at $7 \cdot 30$.-F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary.

ECCLES HANDPELL RINGERS' DIRAW.-The winning numbers in the draw, in aid of the purchase of new bells, were $2653,907,5050,2507,40,2339,4177$, 5574, 6369 .

PEAL BOOKS.--Price 3s. 6d., post free, 300 pages. The first peal written in (with weather-proof ink) free of charge, if particulars of same are enclosed with order.J. Beams, Fir Tree Road, Banstead, Epsom, Surrey.

HOLIDAY APARTMENTS.
Having frequently had inquiries from ringers for inform. ation as to other members of the Exercise who have holiday apartments to let, we offer the use of our columns to those who cater for visitors at seaside and other resorts. Terms for insertion will be sent on application.

BLACKPOOL.-Ringers visiting this seaside resort will find every comfort and convenience at Mrs. J. Smith's, +I, Hornby Road, Blackpool. Near sea and Central Station. Send stamp for reply.

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## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

OLDSWINFORD, WORCESTER. - On Oct. 8th, 720 Bob Minor: W'm. Cooper 1, F. Caldwell 2, R. Moore 3, G. Popnell 4, D. Heathcock 5, T. I Leathcock (conductor) 6.
BLETCHIEY, BUCKS.-On Oct. 9th, 336 Grandsire Triples: Miss W. Sinfield 1, J. Mead 2, W. Mead 3, W. Pether 4, L. Menger 5, E. Marks 6, F. IIedges (conductor) 7, F. Goodman 8. This is the first touch rung by a lady in the North Buck's branch of the Oxford Guild.
SIFIPLEY (YORKS).-On Oct. 9th, at the Parish Church, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples ( 1260 changes), in 46 mins., composed by C. Jackson: *F. Perry 1, E. Mirgatroyd 2, J. Cotterell 3, B. Emmett 4, W. Wiland 5, T. B. Kendall (conductor) 6, J. Broadley 7, *R. Burnan 8. *Longest length.

RICKLING, ESSEX.-On Oct. 9th, 720 Bob Doubles: D. Jolly 1, F. Bonfield 2, W. Patmore 3, A. B. Wiffen (conductor) 4, G. Law 5 Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Winifred Mitchell to Mr. Winter Rose, whin took place at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on that date.
READING.-Oxford Guild-On Oct. 11th, at St. Giles' Church, 504 Stedman Triples: A. H. Burgess 1, L. Osborne 2, G. Goodship 3, H. Osborne 4, A. Bailey 5, F. Griffin 6, A. W. Osborne (conductor) 7, N. Cos 8. Also 360 Bob Major, conducted by F. Griffin, and 840 Stedman Triples: L. Osborne 1, Miss E. Goodship 2, G. Goodship 3, A. W. Osborne (conductor) 4. A. Bailey 5, H. Osborne 6, F. Griffin 7, N. Cox 8. Pung with the bells half-muffled, after a memorial service held at this church at the time of the funeral of the late Right Hon. George William Palmer, of the firm of Huntley and Palmers, Ltd., who was interred at Marlston.
LITCLE HOUGHTON, NORTHANTS.-On Oct. Ilth, at St. Mary's Church, for the Feast of Dedication, a quarter-peal Grandsire Doubles ( 1260 changes), eath six-score called differently, in 45 mins. : J. Robiuson (first quarter-peal) 1, C. ILaines 2, F. Rollings 3, A. Richardson 4, T. Law (conductor) 5. First quarter-peal on the bells for more than 50 years.
SELLY OAK-Worcestershire Association-At St. Mary's (Gurch, on October 42 tin, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples:
 J. Dowler (conductor) 6, A. Chambers 7, *E. Smith 8. First in the method.
PUTNEY.-At St. Mary-the-Virgin's Church, on Oct. 12th, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triplrs, in 48 mins.: G. H. Hawes (first quarterpeal) 1, A. Intubard (composer) 2. Wr. Honeyball 3, A. Jones 4, J. Herbert 5, J. Kent 6. G. W. Ioneyball (conductor) 7, H. Whanslaw 8.
MIDDLFITON, LANCS.-On Sunclay, Oct. $12 t h, 1248$ Bob Major, in 45 mins.: J. Hollows 1. W. Berry (composer and first as conductor) T. Oldham 3, T. K. Driver 4. J. Arrowsmith, junr., 5, J. Arrowsmith, senr., 6, D. Renshaw 7 , T. Whelleus 8.
STONFY STANTON. - Midland Counties Association.-On Sumday Oct. 12th, a quartor-peal of Crandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: II. Briggs (conductor) 1, E. Garner 2, G. Wood 3, W. A. Neerlham 4, W. IT. Inglesant 5, Ti. Garner 6, Gi. Garner 7, N. Walker 8.
CHISLTITURST.-On Ocl. 13th, at St. Nicholas' Church, 504 Grand sire Triples: 1E. Durling 1, Ar. Durling 2, G. French 3, "W. Wiffen 4, ${ }^{3}$ R. S. Goodchild 5, R. Brelt-Smith 6. T. Groombridge, senr. (conductor) 7, J. Newick 8. First 504 in the methorl with a bob bell.

DAJRKESTON.-On Vochneshay evening, Oct. 15th, 1913, for practice, 672 Sticdman Triples: Wm. Chapman 1, Wm. Andrews, junr., 2, F. Norman 3. E. Chamman 4. II. Norman 5, A. J. Andrews 6, R. Sentt (conrluctor) 7, Th. Chapman 8.

CARSHALTON, SURREY.-On All Saints' Eve, at All Saints', a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1260 changes): W. Buck 1, A.' 'T Perkins (conductor) 2, G. W. Heather 3, A. Bundle 4, C. Gordon 5, J. Wignell 6, F. Holder 7, F. Boulter 8.

BIRMINGHAM.-At Bishop Ryder's, for evening service; on Sunday Nov. 2nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: *W. Strat ford (first quarter-peal) 1, A. T. Scrivens (composer and conductor) 2 J. Porter 3, J. B. Collett 4, J. T. Perry 5, W. H. Carrod 6, G. A. Taylon 7. S. Coley 8.

MITOHAM, SURREY.-On Sunday, Nov. 2nd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: J. A. Lambert (conductor) 1, J. D. Drewett 2, W. J. Joiner 3, W. S. Smith 4, A. Calver 5, F. Tilley (first attempt) $6, R$. Grimwood 7, B. Morris 8.

FYLINGDALES, YORKS.-On Sunday, Nov. 2nd, being the harvest festival, for morning service, 546 Grandsire Triples. For evening service, 1061 Grandsire Triples: L. Parnaby (first 1000) 1, F. S. Hodgson 2, G. Wellburn 3, M. Duck 4, G. F. Alexander (conductor) 5, J. W. Wilkinson 6, R. Duck 7, A. Coates 8.

MADIRESFIELD, WORCESTEIRSFIIRE.-On Nor. 2nd, 720 Double Stedman's Slow Course: E. E. Barber 1, W. Niblett 2, F. Bryan 3, F. Stanton 4, C. Camm 5, R. G. Knowles (conductor) 6. This is the first 780 in the method by all, also upon the bells. For evening service, at St. Matthias' Church, Malvern Link, 1005 of Stedman Triples: W' Niblett 1, F. Bryan 2, E. E. Barber 3, J. Brown 4, H. Chance 5, C. Camm 6, R G. Knowles (conductor) 7, A. Richings 8. Also 112 of Grandsire Triples conducted by F. Bryan.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHITRE.-At All Saints' Parish Church, on Sunday evening, November 2nd, for the Dedication Festival of All Saints' Day, 1680 Kent Treble Bab Royal, in 1 hr. 5 mins. : C. Harriman 1, J. Oldham 2, J. Hardy 3, E. Cartwright 4, E. Leslie 5, E. Abbott 6, H. W. Abbott 7, J. Smith 8, E. Reader 9, J. W. Taylor (conductor) 10.

WEST LULWORTII, DORSET.-On Sunday, Nov. 2nd, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Doubles, in 43 mins. : F. Curtis 1, J. Orchard 2, H Williams 3, l2. Williams 4, W. Williams 5, Walter Chaffey 8. Conducted by W. and H. Williams.

WOBURN, BEDS.-On November 5th, at St. Mary's Church, 1008 Double Norwich Najor, in 41 mins. : Cyril Herbert (conductor) 1, W. Janes, junr., 2, David Janes 3, J. Chance 4, S. Avis 5, E. Herbert 6, H. Smith 7, H. D. Harris 8.-On Nov. $12 \mathrm{th}, 448$ Superlative Surprise: H. Smith 1, F. Gilby 2, M. Matthews 3, J. Chance 4, S. Avis 5, Cyril Herbert (conductor) 6, E. Herbert 7, H. D. Harris 8.

BURTON LATIMER.-On Sunday, November 16th, for morning service, 720 Wrodbine Treble Bob Minor, in 25 mins.: J. Hendrey 1, J. Pettitt 2, P. Inskip 3, R. Turner 4, G. Lines 5, A. King (conductor) 6. Arranged for Mr. Alfred King, of Luton.

APPLETON, BERKS.-On Sunday, Nov. 16th, with the bells muffled, as a last tribute of respect to the late Rev. W. Moore, for 35 years Rector of Appleton, 518 Grandsire Triples: H. White 1, C. G. White 2, G. Holifield, senr., 3 A. H. White 4, F. S. White 5, G. Fiolifield, junr. (conductor) 6, R. White 7, F. White 8. -On Nov. 19th, after the funeral, 504 Grandsire Triples.

LEICESTER.-On Sunday, Nov. 22nd, at St. Johu-the-Divine, for evening service, 518 Grandsire Triples: Miss A. Hick (Leeds) 1, Miss L. A. Willson 2, Miss H. F. Willson 3, S. Burton 4, E. Jorman 5, T. H Hardy 6, W. Willson 7. J. Smith 8.

LONDON.-On Sunday, November 16 th , for evening service, at St . Nicholas', Deptford, S.E.. 1248 of Double Norwich Court Bob Major, in 47 mins.: T. H. Hawkins 1, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, C. H. Hughes 3. W. J. Kemp 4, A. Jones 5, G. H. Daynes 6, G. W. R. Grimwood 7, A. D. Barker 8 - On Nov. 20th, at St. George-the-Martyr, South wark, S.E., 1280 of Cambridge Surprise Major, in 47 mins.: F. $\bar{V}$. Martin 1, T. H Taffender (conductor) 2, C. H. Hughes 3, B. Morris 4, A. Jones 5, A. D. Barker 6, C. W. R. Grimwood 7, F. J. Hardy 8.On Sunday, November 23rd, for evening service at Christ Church, Cubitt Town, E., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 37 mins. : F. V. Martin 1, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, C. H. Hughes 3, A. J. Neale 4, W. G. Matthews 5, A. A. Hughes 6, A. D. Barker 7, T. Clark 8.
BRADFIELD.-At St. Andrew's Church, on St. Andrew's Day, for evening service, 720 College Single, in 25 mins.: C. Hunt 1, S. Chapman 2. J. Abery 3, M. E. Chillingworth 4, G. Parsons 5, G. Abery (conductor) 6.

BROMLEY, KENT-On Dec. 10th, at St. Lakes, for Confirmation service, a quarter-peal of Grankisire Triples, in 45 mins. : A. Knott (first quarter-peal away from the tenor) 1, G. Durling (conductor) 2, I Tmery 3, F . Herbert (first quarter-peal) 4, A. James, senr., 5, A. Bygrave 6, S. Marshall 7, T. Jones 8.

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    Frank A. Milne William D. Smith...
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    | *Ernest Harris | .. | .. | 3 | William J. Allen ... | ... 7 |
    | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
    | Herbert Rainbow | 7 | ... | 4 | William Farey | ... |
    | Hent |  |  |  |  |  | Composed by Arthor Craven, and Conducted by William Farey.

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[^22]:    GRAVESEND.-At St. George's Church, on Feb. 9th, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: J. Avis 1, J. Burles 2, A. Constant 3, R. Tall 4, J. Constant 5, A. Martin 6, R. Constant (concluctor:) 7, A. Latt 8

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[^24]:    LAMBERHURST, KæNT. On March 11 th, 720 Cambridge Surprise: J. Bailey 1, A. Marshall 2 , G. Fuller 3, W. Marshall 4, H. Price 5, A. Relfe (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method by all; also first on the bells.

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[^30]:    GREAT LINTORD, RUCKS.-Oxford Guild.-On March 30th, for afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 43 mins.: W. H. Inwood 1, F. C. Tompkins (conductor) 2, J. W. Unwin 3, E. Lathall 4, W. F. Smith 5, F. C. Mapley 6.

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[^33]:    UTTOXETER, STAFFS. - On Easter Day, for evening service, a quarter-peai of Stedman Triples (1260 changes), in 47 mins. : J. Richardson 1, W. Roberts 2, A. B. Cope (first quarter) 3. A. P. Cope 4, R. G. Lowis 5, H. Willisford 6, C. Smith (conductor) 7, F. Green 8. ranged for A. B. Cope, who was on a visit from London.

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[^35]:    OWSLEBURY.-Winchester Diocesan Guild.-At the Parish Church, on April 4th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles ( 1260 changes), in 45 mins.: G. Wright 1, W. G. Edwards 2, F. Glasspool 3, A. Stubbington 4, F. J. Oxenbury (conductor) 5, F. Allan 6.
    BECCLFS.-Norwich Diocesan Association.-At St. Michael's Church, on April 2nd. 504 Grandsire Triples: R. Goate 1, H. Reynolds 2 (first 504) 2, F. Pipe (first 504) 3, T. Beckett 4, O. Pamell 5, G. Baxter 6, H. Ling (conductor) 7, R. Rush 8.-On Sunday, April 6th, 504 Grandsire Triples: R. Goate 1, IL. Reynolds 2, T. Beckett 3, G. Baxter 4, C. Parnell 5, IV. Spaulding 6, H. Ling (conductor) 7, IR. Freestone 8.

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[^44]:    ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.-At the Parish Church, for evening service, on May 4 th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (odd Bob, by the late J. Plant), in 46 mins.: J. Preston 1, G. Garrison 2, T. Russam 3, Miss M. F. Sampson 4, W. J. Meers 5, J. Sanders 6, G. F. Swann (conductor) 7, T. Wells 8. The above were rung on the occasion of $W$. J. Meers' birthday, and also for the re-opening of the Erdington Parish Church, after cleaning and redecorating, and was specially aryanged for Miss M. F. Sampson.

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    John Oldham ... ... ... 8
    

    Joseph Powell ... ...Tenor
    

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    WILLENHALL -St. Giles' Church, on May 20th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. E. Wathen 1, H. Ward 2, F. Ward 3, D. Appleby

[^56]:    GRIMSBY.-At.St. James' Church, on June 5th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins. : G. Snell 1, A. B. Shepherd 2, *P. Kennington 3, P. Long 4, W. H. Heyhoe 5, O. Kennington (first as conductor) 6, J. Kennington 7, *O. East 8 (first quarter).

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[^70]:    MARESFIELD, SUSSFX--At St. Bartholomew's Church, on Sundav. October 19 th, 1320 Rob Minor: E. Baker 1. A. Brown 2, R.
    

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[^75]:    SIVINDON.-On Oct. 5th, for evening service, 1120 Double Norwich: A. Lawrence 1, O. W. Layng 2, R. W. Hyner 3, J. II. Odey 4, T. Robinson 5, H. W. L. Wells 6, S. Palmer 7, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 8.
    ORMESBY.-Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association. - At the Parish Church, on Sunday evening, Oct. 19th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: J. Sample 1, G. Atkinson 2, J. G. Hall (conductor) 3, G. Windsor 4, T. Metcalfe 5, F. Jackson 6, W. Jackson 7, G. Jackson 8.

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[^83]:    * First peal and first attempt. † First peal in the methorl.

[^84]:    - First peal away from the tenor. $\dagger$ First peal with a bob bell.

[^85]:    STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.-On Oct. 13th, at St. Margaret's Church. 720 London Surprise Minor: J. Tuckwell 1, T. Mioulden (first in method with bob bell) 2, R. W. Hyner 3, W. G. Lancaster 4:G. Lancaster (conductor) 5, C. J. Gardiner 6.

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